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Supreme Court Rejects Fresh Trial Plea Where Procedural Error Caused No Demonstrable Prejudice

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The Supreme Court has ruled that a completed trial in a cheque-bounce case cannot be sent back for a fresh hearing merely because there was a procedural irregularity in the way defence evidence was handled, unless the accused can show that the lapse actually caused prejudice. A bench comprising Justice JB Pardiwala and Justice K Vinod Chandran set aside a Kerala High Court order that had directed the case to...

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