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Supreme Court Stresses Victim's Presence in Settlement Cases

A Safeguard for Justice in Serious Offences

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In a pivotal directive, the Supreme Court has urged High Courts to tread carefully when considering the quashing of serious criminal cases—particularly those involving women—on the basis of settlements. The apex court emphasized that the victim's presence, whether in person or virtually, is critical to verify the authenticity of such settlements. Highlighting the need for judicial diligence, the Court stated that even when a victim provides an affidavit acknowledging a...

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