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# Supreme Court Upholds Summoning of Additional Accused Alibi Not to Be Considered at Early Stage

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In a recent ruling, the Supreme Court clarified the standards for summoning additional accused under Section 319 of the Cr.P.C., emphasizing that a summoning order cannot be quashed simply because of a defendant's alibi claim. The Court highlighted that at the stage of summoning, it is the prima facie evidence indicating involvement in the offence, rather than proof beyond a reasonable doubt, that determines whether an individual can be brought...

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