

CRAFT OF POLICING POSTS (linked, most recent first)

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Putting Things Off Pursuits hurt and kill innocents. What are the options?

Point of View Do scholars really “get” the craft of policing?

“Numbers” Rule - Everywhere Production pressures can degrade what’s “produced” – and not just in policing

De-Prosecution? What’s That? Philadelphia’s D.A. eased up on lawbreakers. Did it increase crime?

Wrong Place, Wrong Time, Wrong Cop Recent exonerees set soul-wrenching records for length of wrongful imprisonment

Are Civilians Too Easy on the Police? (II) Exonerated of murder, but not yet done

Warning: (Frail) Humans at Work Amid chaos and uncertainty, the presence of a gun can prove lethal

Confirmation Bias can be Lethal Why did a “routine” traffic stop cost a Philadelphia man’s life?

When (Very) Hard Heads Collide (II) What should cops do when miscreants refuse to comply? Refuse to comply?

What Cops Face America’s violent atmosphere can distort officer decisions

Punishment Isn’t a Cop’s Job (III) Citizens misbehave. Cops answer in kind.

San Antonio Blues Poverty – and what it brings – can impair the quality of policing

Watching the Watchers Will sanctioning its cops bring Minneapolis back?

Piling On Swarming unruly citizens and pressing them to the ground invites disaster

When Worlds Collide Wary cops, uncompliant citizens and troubled communities

Punishment Isn’t a Cop’s Job (II) In Memphis, unremitting violence helps sabotage the craft

Damn the Evidence - Full Speed Ahead! Lousy policing and thoughtless prosecution cost three innocent men decades in prison

Another Victim: The Craft of Policing Ronald Greene succumbed to police abuse one year before George Floyd. How they perished was appallingly similar.

Turning Cops Into Liars Keeping score can distort what officers do

Can the Urban Ship be Steered? Seasoned police leadership. Yet the violence continues.

A Recipe for Disaster Take an uncertain workplace. Toss in a “mission impossible” and pressures to produce. Voila!

Driven to Fail Numbers-driven policing can’t help but offend. What are the options?

Fewer Can Be Better Murder clearances have declined. Should we worry?

Why do Cops Lie? Often, for the same reasons as their managers

People do Forensics Conflicts about oversight neglect a fundamental issue

Guilty Until Proven Innocent Pressures to solve notorious crimes can lead to tragic miscarriages of justice

Cooking the Books Has LAPD been using whiteout to fight crime?

Quantity, Quality and the NYPD Has a preoccupation with “numbers” compromised craftsmanship?

The Numbers Game A leaked NYPD internal report confirms that crime stat’s were fudged

More Labs Under the Gun Resource issues, poor oversight and pressures to produce keep plaguing crime labs

A Cop’s Dilemma When duty and self-interest collide, ethics can fly out the window

Liars Figure Pressured by Compstat, police commanders cook the books

Too Much of a Good Thing? NYPD’s expansive use of stop-and-frisk may threaten the tactic’s long-term viability

An Epidemic of Busted Tail Lights LAPD struggles over claims of racial profiling

You can’t manage your way out of Rampart Pressures from above and a drive to succeed can distort officer behavior

Damned if they do, even if they could Pressures to make arrests distract FBI agents from pursuing worthwhile targets

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The craft of policing ([link](#))

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