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True justice requires that every defendant have access to an attorney who is in a position to provide a thorough and competent defense. A public defender who is exhausted and overbooked is not in such a position. And this is not just true justice for an individual, but for society at large; the incarceration of the innocent not only destroys lives, but also fractures communities and families and leaves true criminals free to reoffend.

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