

Juvenile Life Sentencing

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The Deal with JLS

- For quite some time now, the issue of Juvenile Life Sentencing has not come to an official consensus. While most articles you may find on the internet and even people state that JLS is wrong, the Supreme Court still rules out and has full control. However, it recently seems like more people everywhere are slowly starting to get more involved with this topic. So now, I thought I would express my own thoughts on this topic, too.

JLS: The Upside

- The basic reasons for Juvenile Life Sentencing are almost always the same reasons:
- -Since the public comes first, their safety is therefore ensured first.
- -Given the same human instincts we were all born with, even teenagers have a sense of right and wrong.
- -Every time a crime committer gets locked up, society can remain more orderly.
- -According to the law, these juveniles are technically getting their just rewards.
- -From a judge's eyes, this could be teaching young teens who are working at becoming adults what being one really is.

JLS: The Flipside

- Because the Supreme Court is mostly tied strictly to law, there are several personal discrepancies of the juveniles that are overlooked, such as:
 - -Most crime committing teenagers are influenced to, say, stealing, as their parents have shown them is okay.
 - -Sometimes the teens are obliged to stealing for reasons such as health or perhaps similar good conscience decisions.
 - -Brain development has not yet finished for the teens to be able to realize how severe their crimes may be.

Right or Wrong

- Since we are speaking of non-homicidal juvenile crimes, I say that Juvenile Life Sentencing is very harsh. Most adult homicidal crime committers don't even get life sentencing without parole. If anyone should be given redemption, it should be the teenagers. I have a feeling that one day, this problem will be gladly resolved, since I have heard of so much against it.