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The police problem is that

police are policed by the

police. Cops are accounted

only to other cops, which is

no accountability at all.

99.9999% of police

brutality, corruption, and

misconduct is never

investigated, never punished,

never makes the news, so it's

not on this page.

When cops are caught

breaking the law, they're

investigated by other cops.

Details are kept quiet, the

officers' names are withheld

from public knowledge, and

what info is eventually

released is only what police

choose to release — often

nothing at all.

When police are fired —

which is all too rare — they

leave with "law enforcement

experience" and can easily

find work in another police

department nearby. It's called

'Breaking Cops.'

When police testify under

oath, they lie so frequently

that cops themselves have a

joking term for it: "testifying."

Yet it's almost unheard of for

police to be punished or

prosecuted for perjury.

Cops can and do get away

with lawlessness, because

cops protect other cops. If

they don't, they aren't cops

for long.

The legal doctrine of

'qualified immunity' renders

police officers invulnerable to

lawsuits for almost anything

they do. In practice, getting

past qualified immunity is so

unlikely, it makes headlines

when it happens.

All this is a path to a police

state.

In a free society, police

must always be under serious

and skeptical public oversight,

with non-cops and non-

crones in charge, issuing

genuine punishment when

warranted.

Police who break the law

must be prosecuted like

anyone else, promptly fired if

guilty, and barred from ever

working in law-enforcement

again.

That's the solution.

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Our definition of 'cops' is

broad, and includes prison

guards, probation officers,

shitty DAs and judges, etc —

anyone who has the authority

to fuck over people's lives,

with minimal or no oversight.

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things only a child or a

jackass would say in person.

② If you're here to support

the police, you're trolling.

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remain silent.

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should be killed lowers the IQ

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not about killing people; we're

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