

# On Police Brutality

I have known decent police officers, the type of people I have a hard time believing would ever do what Manuel Ramos and Jay Cicinelli did to Kelly Thomas. But what do we expect from a monopoly provider of law and order, ie. the state? Most in society rightly denounce would-be monopoly providers of many a good and service in the market. They recognize that with a legal monopoly (or cartel/oligopoly), quality will fall as prices rise (not to mention their illegitimacy). What they fail to recognize is that this is as true for the provision of law and order as it is for the provision of auto-repair, grocery stores, and textile manufacturers. Until most of society sees legal monopolies for the evil that they are, we will continue to witness falling quality and rising prices in the provision of law and order. And that's today's two cents.

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