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The role of a defense lawyer in protecting juveniles
within the criminal justice system

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Children need special protection within the criminal justice system. Yet, often they are abused, manipulated and in some cases wrongfully convicted and imprisoned. In this A2J Talk, special guest **Laura Nirider** discusses the role of defense counsel in the protection of juvenile rights.

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“Lawyers are called to protect and defend the young, vulnerable, and voiceless. In many ways, we are their only voices. There's no more important -- or more rewarding -- work in the world.” - **Laura Nirider**

BIOGRAPHY: Laura Nirider is a passionate advocate for rights of juveniles. She is a Clinical Associate Professor of Law and Co-Director of the Center on Wrongful Convictions at Northwestern Pritzker School of Law in Chicago. Nirider represents individuals who were wrongfully convicted of crimes when they were children or teenagers. Her clients have included Brendan Dassey, whose case was profiled in the Netflix Global series “Making a Murderer”, and Damien Echols of the West Memphis Three, whose case was profiled in the documentary “West of Memphis”.



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