

Journalists in Legal Perspective Analysis

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PANGANDARAN WEST JAVA - Journalists are free people, journalists are free to write according to events, what they see and hear based on their conscience, the code of ethics and the Press Law.

*Journalists do not have a definite social status category, in the morning he can chat with the pedicab brother, in the afternoon he can eat with officials, in the afternoon he can talk with religious leaders and at night he can also chat with prostitutes, being in cafes, discotheques and bars.

* Every day Journalists seek information by greeting the public, regardless of whether the information presented is appreciated or criticized. To fulfill their obligations to the public, journalists provide information based on the truth that they believe to be true by check and richek, sometimes risking their lives without realizing it threatens themselves and their families.*

"It's a very risky profession, but journalists always play a big role in all aspects of life... Yes, history records, Indonesia's independence was echoed throughout the world through journalists' writings".

Likewise, Al-Qur'anul Karim, Al-Hadith is also the result of the persistence of journalists (_the companions of the Prophet_) in recording the revelations from *ILLAH!* that came down to the Prophets and recording the hadiths conveyed by the Prophet to his people at that time.*

How important is the role of journalists in the life of the nation and state, but why are journalists now being silenced by articles 310, 311, the ITE Law. We see it as a forced effort to criminalize journalists in ways that are very contrary to the Press Law and KIP and even human rights.

"Actually, journalists don't need to be silenced, journalists don't need to be punished, journalists just need to be trained and supervised professionally and make the Press Law the only tool to control and supervise press freedom in this country.*

*Journalists are not to be feared, journalists are not to be exterminated... yes, because journalists determine the future of a nation and the progress of a country and national defense. *O officials, don't be afraid of journalists, don't be afraid of us who carry out the task of social control for the nation and even the world.

Greetings One Pen For friends of one profession and one struggle, for the good of your nation and country, continue to work even though it is full of challenges.
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