

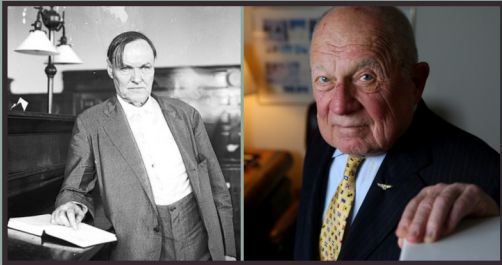


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## Great American Criminal Trials Famous Defense Attorneys Clarence Darrow and F. Lee Bailey

Great American trials? Why on earth is Dunrovin Ranch offering broadcasts focused on great American trials? Well, let me tell you how it happened.

It is a blessing to be near a university town. Universities have a way of invigorating communities with young people, professionals with wide interests, artists, authors, foreigners, and eccentrics of all kinds to liven up our cultural lives. The University of Montana (UM) does all that and more.

For the past several years my husband (Sterling) and I have participated in a wonderful part of UM called the [Molli Program](#). It's a program for "learning for the love of it" for people who are at least 50 years old. During several Molli classes, I found myself wanting to include our D@D members, as I was certain that they, too, would enjoy these short courses covering many different topics. This is what prompted me to create a Learning Adventure centered on Great American Criminal Trials.

Molli's Great American Criminal Trials is taught by attorney, law professor, and head of the Montana Innocence Project, Larry Mansch. The class looks at trials which have resonated throughout American history. Larry is infectious in his enthusiasm, a very responsive teacher, and comes with well-organized materials. Happily, Larry is working with D@D to craft a Great American Criminal Trials program here at Dunrovin to include D@D members.

Larry grew up in Minnesota. He attended Hamline University, majoring in Political Science and Public Administration. He earned six varsity letters in baseball and basketball before graduating in 1980. He then attended the Creighton University School of Law, graduating in 1983, and moved to the West.

He has spent most of his legal career working in criminal law. He clerked for Judge R.C. McDonough in Glendive, and then became one of Montana's first full-time public defenders until 1999 when he went into private practice. Larry has tried cases across Montana, in both state and federal courts.



Seeking a change of direction, Larry earned his Master's in Education from the University of Montana in 2006 and spent the next ten years teaching US History and Social Studies. He also served in the Montana Army National Guard as a Judge Advocate General, retiring as a Lt. Colonel in 2011. Larry joined the Montana Innocence Project when the organization was founded in 2008, and he became the Legal and Clinic Director in 2014. Under his leadership, in the past three years the Project has secured the exonerations of six people wrongfully convicted of crimes they did not commit.

Larry also teaches classes in Criminal Adjudication and Wrongful Convictions at UM. He has authored

# Famous Defense Attorneys

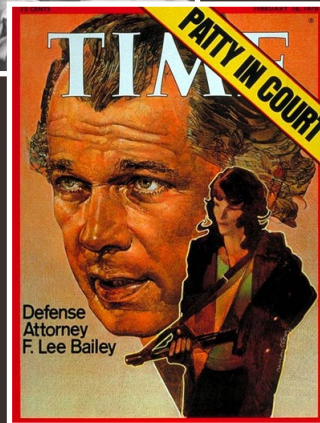
**2019 Famous Defense Attorneys.** The winter 2019 Great American Criminal Trials program will feature three famous trials that involved two famous defense attorneys. Clarence Darrow saved convicted murderers Leopold and Loeb from death sentences in 1924. F. Lee Bailey served as the defense attorney for heiress Patty Hearst in 1976 and football and movie star O.J. Simpson in 1995.

To find information about the series on the D@D website, go to **EXPLORE** in the main menu, then pull down the **QUICK CLICKS** menu, and click on **Great American Trials**. You will find the course schedule and the **Discussion Board** where all course materials will be presented. D@D members can supplement the materials with other resources that they may find on the internet. The D@D conversation will take place both on the Discussion Board and during regularly scheduled Chat sessions. A conversation guide for each trial will be made from those discussions and used during a broadcast with Larry Mansch.



Clarence Darrow 's famous speech was instrumental in saving convicted murderers Leopold and Loeb from the death sentence.

F. Lee Bailey was unable to get a not guilty verdict for Patty Hearst; but he was part of the team that did get a not guilty verdict for O.J. Simpson.



## Schedule (Mountain Time Zone)

**Trial 1:** Clarence Darrow's defense of Leopold and Loeb

- **Wednesday, February 27 at 6PM:** Group Chat
- **Sunday, March 10 at 6PM:** Broadcast conversation with Larry Mansch

**Trial 2:** F. Lee Bailey's defense of Patty Hearst

- **Wednesday, March 27 at 6PM:** Group Chat
- **Sunday, April 7 at 6PM:** Broadcast conversation with Larry Mansch

**Trial 3:** F. Lee Bailey's defense of O.J. Simpson

- **Wednesday, May 1 at 6PM:** Group Chat
- **Sunday, May 5 at 6PM:** Broadcast with Larry Mansch