

Parties to an Offence

Law

Liability for those who assist rather than commit.

Roles and requirements.

Roles

Principal — commits the offence

Accessory — assists or encourages

Joint principals — both commit it

Innocent agent — used by another

Requirements

Conduct that assists or encourages

Intention to assist or encourage

Knowledge of the essential circumstances

Mere presence is generally insufficient

Educational reference. Joint enterprise liability has been substantially reconsidered by appellate courts in recent years.