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The insanity defense is one of the oldest fixtures of the Anglo-

virtually any crime, and is often employed without controversy,

American legal tradition. Though it is available to people charged with

homicide defendants who raise the insanity defense are often viewed by the public and even the legal system as trying to get away with

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murder. Often it seems that legal result of an insanity defense is unpredictable, and is determined not by the defendants mental state, but by their lawyers and psychologists influence. From the thousands of murder cases in which defendants have claimed insanity,