ABSTRACT

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The objective of this thesis is to study the role of investigative officers in providing justice to the public. These officers form an important part in the judicial process as stated in Thailand's constitution 1997. If these officers are confident in their This research relied on documentary study, personal interview, and direct observation.

This research found that since Thailand's Constitution 1997 was drafted by the Constitution Drafting Assembly, whose composition consisted of members from all walks of life, the basic intention of this constitution is to protect people's rights, freedom, and dignity. There fore, the content of the constitution is aimed at curbing and balancing the exercise of power and authority by state officials.

This research further found that since the adoption of this constitution, there has been increasing degree of checking and balancing control over police officers. The judicial court and public prosecutors are also given more authority to counter the exercise of power and authority by police officers.

However, despite the adoption of the new constitution, the level of satisfaction by the public over the performance of police officers was limited to a certain degree. This was due to the lack of understanding and the familiar practice from the past by police officer. Most officers were not able to comprehend the basic intent of the constitution with regard to the protection of individual rights and liberty.