

**STATE CONSTITUTION (EXCERPT)**  
**CONSTITUTION OF MICHIGAN OF 1963**

**§ 19 Libels, truth as defense.**

Sec. 19.

In all prosecutions for libels the truth may be given in evidence to the jury; and, if it appears to the jury that the matter charged as libelous is true and was published with good motives and for justifiable ends, the accused shall be acquitted.

**History:** Const. 1963, Art. I, § 19, Eff. Jan 1, 1964  
**Former Constitution:** See Const. 1908, Art. II, § 18.