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FLE Fletcher, George P.
With justice for some : victims' rights in criminal trials. Reading, MA :
Addison-Wesley Pub. Co., 1995.
304 p.

In this book, the author confronts the flaws in America's system of criminal prosecution. He explains exactly how such miscarriages of justice have become endemic. The primary function of today's criminal trials is no longer to determine guilt and to condemn evil. It is rather to understand the mind of the criminal, to camouflage the crime as less heinous and less deserving of punishment. Under the influence of psychiatric experts, criminal evil becomes "deviant behavior." Judges have lost control over their courtrooms, giving lawyers free reign to divert jurors from the facts with outlandish theories.

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GLE Glenn, Leigh.
Victims' rights : a reference handbook / Leigh Glenn. Santa Barbara, CA :
ABC-CLIO, 1997.
231 p.

This volume defines victims' rights and describes how law, politics, social activism, victim's advocates, and victim impact evidence affect the status of this issue in the U.S. providing a detailed chronology of key events related to the promotion of victim's rights and the enforcement of stiffer penalties for criminals, this book also contains biographical sketches of individuals who have significantly contributed to upholding and extending victims' rights. It also includes a directory of organizations describing each organization's function and purpose.

REF
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BOL Boland, Mary L.
Crime victim's guide to justice. Naperville, ILL : Sourcebooks, 1997.
209 p. : ill.

As a crime victim, you have certain rights and obligations within the criminal justice system - and opportunities to seek outside of the criminal process, through litigation in civil court. This book explains the legal system, and your rights and duties regarding this matters.

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9. Wimp, Marilyn. "Trial Lawyers President Worries about Victim Rights." **Philadelphia Business Journal**, vol. 17, no. 24, 1998, p. 13-15.
10. Wood, Jennifer K. "Refined Raw: The Symbolic Violence of Victims' Rights Reforms." **College Literature**, vol. 26, no. 1, Winter 1999, p. 150-170.

WEB SITES

Adobe Philanthropy Council

Provides information about Adobe Systems Inc.'s Philanthropy Council, located in San Jose, California. Explains that the council is a representative group of employees assigned to support programs that improve the quality of life for everyone. Adobe supports nonprofit health and human service organizations that serve disadvantaged youth, the homeless, minorities, and abuse victims. Notes that the company provides disaster relief, medical and hospice care, and meal services and helps organizations that support human rights. Links to Adobe's home page and index of product information pages.
<http://www.adobe.com/aboutadobe/philanthropy/main.html>

Office for Victims of Crime (OVC)

Features the Office for Victims of Crime (OVC), based in Washington, D.C. Posts contact information via mailing address. Notes that OVC is part of the U.S. Department of Justice. Discusses the responsibilities of OVC, including the administration of the Crime Victims Fund, which is derived from fines and penalties paid by federal criminal offenders. Discusses the Special Projects Division, the State Compensation Assistance Division, and the Federal Crime Victims Division. Provides information on victims' rights and help for victims. Provides an online feedback form.

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Goal is to function as a national resource center to seek redress for injustices done to crime victims.

Promotes public awareness, judicial responsiveness, and social service referrals for crime victims. Compiles statistics on crime and victimization; maintains toll-free information and referral line. Offers national referrals for crime victims to attorneys for civil cases. Provides education through conferences, workshops, seminars, and videocassettes for victims and victims' rights attorneys and organizations. Offers resources for the development of community-based programs for victims of violent crimes; sponsors intern program for students of criminal justice and sociology.

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Victim counselors, district attorneys, police officials, mental health professionals, judges, crisis intervention specialists, domestic violence and rape crisis workers, former victims, and others whose purpose is to express forcefully the victims' claims, too long ignored, for decency, compassion, and justice; to press those claims for the victims of crime and also for the victims of other stark misfortunes; and to ensure that victims' rights are honored by government officials and all others who can aid in the

victims' relief and recovery. Offers technical counsel, referral services, and victim assistance training programs; also provides services to victims directly. Serves as clearinghouse on state and federal legislation. Maintains speakers' bureau; conducts educational activities. Sponsors Regional Victim Assistance Training Program and National Victim Rights Week. Compiles statistics. Has established network of service providers to foster communications.

<http://www.try-nova.org/>

Victim-Assistance Online

Presents information on victim assistance, provided by Victim-Assistance Online Resources, a nonprofit organization in Ontario, Canada. Victim assistance seeks to aid the victims and survivors of crime or tragedy with emotional support, practical aid, and advocacy. Highlights resources on domestic violence, law enforcement, sexual assault, stalking, victim's rights and advocacy organizations, missing and abused children, psychological trauma, bereavement, and support groups.

<http://www.vaonline.org/>

Workplace Violence and Crime

Presents information about workplace violence and crime, provided by the Office for Victims of Crime of the U.S. Department of Justice in honor of National Crime Victims' Rights Week. Features related statistics.

<http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/ovc/ncvrw/1999/work.htm>