

Brennan Center for Justice, New York School of Law

Virtual Events

America's Broken Legal System

Wednesday, February 17 | 6:00 p.m.–7:00 p.m. ET

Too often, the criminal justice system compels innocent people to plead guilty.

It disproportionately incarcerates Black and brown Americans, often for relatively minor offenses.

Meanwhile, high-level executives are rarely prosecuted or held accountable for more serious crimes.

Jed S. Rakoff, a federal trial judge and an expert on white-collar crime, examines these and other paradoxes in a new book, *Why the Innocent Plead Guilty and the Guilty Go Free: And Other Paradoxes of Our Broken Legal System*.

He will be joined by Hernandez Stroud, counsel in the Brennan Center's Justice Program, to discuss the shortcomings of the country's legal system and propose paths to reform.

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