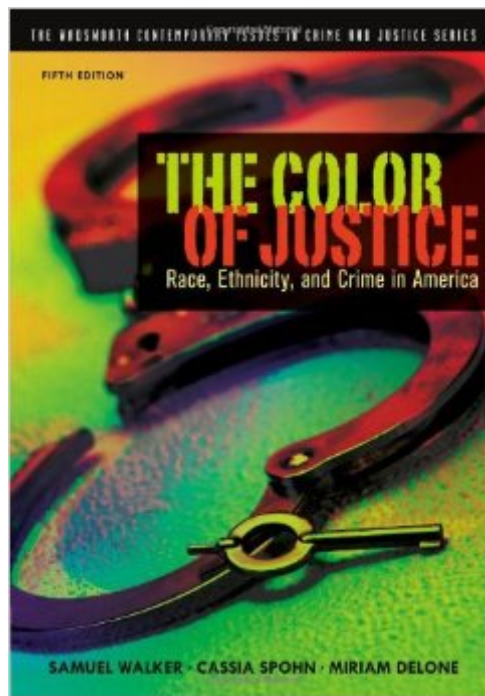


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This book is clearly biased and has glaring errors. Editing/typing error example: "Regarding violent victimization rates by urbanization, generally victimization rates are highest in rural areas and decline in suburban areas, with the lowest rates in rural areas." (page 47-48 in 5th edition) Wait, what? How is it that victimization rates are both higher AND lower in rural areas? Granted, basic logic suggests that victimization should be higher in URBAN areas as opposed to rural areas simply based on the fact that urban areas are higher in population. Regardless, for a supposedly highly regarded textbook that has been printed in at least 5 editions...glaring errors like this should rarely (if ever) occur. As such, even this error alone causes me to read with extreme caution. Bias example: These were hypothetical situations described in the book. "Let us imagine a rural county in the northwestern United States, however, where there are no African American residents. The

absence of African Americans from juries would represent a racial disparity, but not discrimination."Okay, that's fair. But then this hypothetical situation was posited: "Imagine that a police department arrested only African Americans for suspected felonies and never arrested a white person. That situation would represent racial discrimination in arrest." (page 27 in the 5th edition) Why does that represent racial discrimination? Based on the vague information given, you can not just ASSUME that racial discrimination took place. A logical person should not jump to such a definitive conclusion with so few details. This book is wrought with similar "conclusions" taking facts and interpreting them in the authors' own views to support their claims.

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