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An annotated bibliography of approximately 150 books and articles on the mentally retarded offender as well as 30 nonannotated entries are provided. Topics covered include such areas as characteristics of mentally retarded delinquents, rehabilitation of the retarded offender, community services for retarded persons, rights of the mentally retarded, etiology of criminal behavior, and insanity as a defense in criminal law. (PHR)

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The effects of long term imprisonment. 200 prisoners who had been sentenced to determinate sentences of 10 years or more or to indeterminate sentences were tested on a wide variety of psychological tests including tests of attitude, personality, and cognitive skills.

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This study obtained information about the mentally retarded students in Virginia Training Schools. The information was obtained in surveys and interviews. Achievement scores, race, and other factors were considered.

Baselon, D. L. "Mental Retardation: Some Legal and Moral Considerations," American Journal of Orthopsychiatry, 35(5), 1965, 838-844.

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Beckman, J. et al. Report of Sex Chromosome Abnormalities in Mentally Retarded Male Offenders including a Psychological Study of Patients with an XYY and XYYY Karotypes, Journal of Mental Deficiency Research, 1974, Vol. 18, No. 4, 331-335.

The author conducted a cytogenetic investigation of 99 retarded male offenders. Testing indicated that those with sex chromosome abnormalities had a relatively high I.Q. (63-68), compared with other retarded offenders. Personality tests indicated that the subjects were characterized by impulsivity, immaturity, the use of primitive and ineffective defense mechanisms.

Bedford, Alan. Women and Parole, The British Journal of Criminology, 1974, 14, 2, April, 106-117.

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Berlin, Irving N. The Rights of the Retarded Child and His or Her Family, Brunner/Mazel, New York, N. Y., 1975.

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Brelje, T. An overview of incarceration. In, Browning, P. (Ed.), Rehabilitation and the Retarded Offender, Charles C. Thomas, Pub., Springfield, 1976.

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Brown, B.S., Courtless, T.F., Silber, D.E. "Fantasy and Force: A Study of the Dynamics of the Mentally Retarded Offender," The Journal of Criminal Law, Criminology, and Police Science, 1970, Vol. 61, pp. 71-77.

Based on survey undertaken in 1963-1964 and reported at 1963 Annual Meeting American Psychiatric Association. Report attempted to explore more deeply the social, criminological, and psychological dynamics of findings of the survey. In particular, offense severity, the administration of criminal justice, and the correction process were the focal concerns of the study. Includes description of psychosocial legal processes used in six states to handle anti-social behavior committed by "unintelligent" people. Includes plea for more concern about subject.

Browning, Philip L. (Ed.). Rehabilitation of the Retarded Offender, Thomas, Springfield, Ill., C 1976.

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Browning, Philip L. Mental Retardation Rehabilitation and Counseling, Charles C. Thomas, Springfield, Ill., C 1974.

This manuscript presents in a very clear positive fashion a compilation of knowledge obtained from both research and training endeavors which were undertaken by professional individuals representing a number of scientific disciplines, i.e., counseling, rehabilitation, research, etc., the major outcomes of which have contributed to better understanding of the mentally retarded.

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The Developmentally Disabled Offender in the Illinois Criminal Justice System. Chicago, Illinois: Correctional Services for the Developmentally Disabled, ERIC Documents Reproduction Service, Arlington, Virginia, 1975.

This report reviewed five separate studies which were conducted using either a questionnaire or interview technique with law enforcement personnel, lawyers, judges, mentally retarded offender, etc. The results were as follows: (a) law officers are not adequately trained to detect mentally retarded suspects, (b) there is the tendency to refer such persons by the court to community agencies as an alternative to incarceration, and (c) that these agencies do not offer the required therapeutic follow-up for such persons, just recreation, etc.

Dempsey, John J. Community Services for Retarded Children, Baltimore, Md., University Park Press, 1975.

This book presents a handbook for professionals, policy makers, students and teachers providing services for the retarded child.

DeRueck, A. and Proter, R. (Eds.). The Mentally Abnormal Offender, Little, Brown & Company, Boston, 1968.

Text includes a wide variety of topics concerning both the mentally retarded and emotional disturbed offender. Special emphasis placed on both the interdisciplinary and intradisciplinary procedures and responsibilities for the diagnosis, disposition, placement, and rehabilitation of such persons.

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This was a 3 yr. 8 mo. demonstration project consisting of the mentally
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Dix, George E. "Psychological Abnormality as a factor in grading criminal liability," Journal of Criminal Law, Criminology and Police Science, Chicago, 62(3): 313-334, 1971.

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Duncan, J. and Gazda, G. Significant content of group counseling sessions with culturally deprived ninth grade students. Personnel and Guidance Journal, 46(1): 11-16, 1967.

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Egglestein, A. Solomon and Berman, Yitzhak. Legal Enactment for the Retarded in Israel, Mental Retardation, 1976, 14(5): 34-35.

This article discusses a new amendment to the Welfare Law "Treatment of Retarded Persons" which was enacted in 1975. The MR is now perceived by the law in light of his peculiar characteristics.

Ennis, Bruce and Siegel, Loren. The Rights of Mental Patients - The Basic ACLU Guide to a Mental Patient's Rights, Richard Baron, N.Y., N.Y., 1973.

This is a handbook which may be of assistance to a lawyer, a social worker, the family of the MR offender or even an administrator of a mental hospital. It sets forth the rights of the individual and how to protect his rights. Chapters of the book include emergency and non-emergency hospitalization of the patient, the right to a lawyer, conditional and unconditional release and periodic review of the case. Once in a facility the chapters deal with rights, confidentiality of records, control of personal property including incompetence to manage property and adequate clothing and funds. The restoration of legal competence and penalties are the final chapters of the book as individual makes his way out of the facility.

Foale, Martha, M.D. "An Approach to Stabilization of Male Juvenile Mental Defective Delinquents," American Journal of Mental Deficiency, 1952, Vol. 57, p. 116-122.

We must create an atmosphere in which the defective child can live without tension, without frustration. The most important factor in therapy

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for the defective delinquent is the personal or human environment. "To punish is to injure--to reform is to heal; you cannot mend a person by damaging him."

Fordham University Press, Mental Illness Due Process and the Criminal Defendant, Fordham University Press, 1968.

Discusses the problems of the mentally ill defendant and gives statistics on cases committed to Matorinan State Hospital. Good reference to show why a mentally retarded offender should not plead insanity or be removed as incompetent.

Fox, Sanford. The Mentally Retarded Citizen and the Law, New York, New York: Free Press, 1976, Ch. 20, pp. 626-638.

The author of this book feels that calling attention to the MR offender in the criminal law may only lead to further indiscriminate abuse of MRs because it would increase community fear and hostility towards them.

Fraser, William I. "A Retrospective and Cross-Sectional Investigation of a Deviant Subcultural Group," American Journal of Mental Deficiency, 1970, Vol. 75, 298-303.

513 behaviorally disturbed retarded and borderline retarded males from a Scottish therapeutic community were studied retrospectively and by cross-sectional analysis 10 years after the community terminated. The patterns of prior crime appeared to be unaltered by the therapeutic environment, contrary to earlier claims. Subsequent offenders were recognizable by conduct in the hospital but not by historical antecedents other than prior offenses. There was a spectrum of behavior characteristics between the recidivist and non-recidivist. The retardate required a stable adult figure after discharge with whom he could identify.

Friedman, Lawrence J. "No Psychiatry in Criminal Court," American Bar Association Journal (Chicago), 56(3), 242-243, 1970.

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Friedman, P. Rights of the mentally retarded persons in the criminal process. In, Friedman, P. The Rights of Mentally Retarded Persons: The Basic ACLU Guide for the Mentally Retarded Person's Rights, Avon Books, New York, 1976.

The author reports that the most serious problem faced by the mentally retarded offender in the criminal justice process is the inability on the part of the police, lawyers, judges, etc., to identify the accused criminal as also being mentally retarded. He goes on to state that the condition of mental retardation is an important factor which should be weighed in the determination of any or all of the following: competency to stand trial, admissibility of confessions, and criminal responsibility.

Friedman, T. and Macaulay, S. Law and the Behavioral Sciences, Bobbs Merrill Co., Inc., New York.

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Gagne, Eve E. Educating Delinquents: A Review of Research, Journal of Special Education, 1977, Vol. 11, pp. 13-21.

This is an overview of education of delinquents. It deals with all types of delinquents especially retarded delinquents. The MR offender characteristically has serious reading problems, and a poor self-image. There is a connection between misconduct and low-intelligence in lower class boys. The MR delinquents have a higher probability of institutionalization, and many authors have advocated separate institutional facilities for retarded offenders.

Gammage, Allen Z. and Hemphill, Charles. Basic Criminal Law, McGraw-Hill, Inc., New York, New York C 1974.

A handbook on the substantive criminal law written especially for the present on prospective police officer. Only basic principles of law are presented. This work is a basic reference book, and every effort was made to keep the material practical.

Giagiari, Susan. The Mentally Retarded Offender, Crime and Delinquency Literature, 3(4) 559-577, 1971.

The mentally retarded offender should be treated as an ill or handicapped individual, not as a "dumb and cruel" deviant. Progress has made the retarded person more frustrated and less able to compete in society. This has generated more aberrant behavior. "Exceptional offenders courts" should be established to treat the mentally retarded offender fairly.

Gorechi, Jan (Univ. Illinois, Champaign 61820). Crime and Causation Theories, Failures and Perspectives, The British Journal of Sociology, 1974, 25, 4, Dec., 461-477.

Due to the heterogeneity of criminal behavior, all general explanation of crime are failures. A typological approach makes causal analyses feasible if proper criteria of classification are adopted. Two criteria suggested are external characteristics of criminal behavior and its meaning.

Greene, William S. Prison is Not for Me, Invictus Ltd., Publishers, Granada Hills, California, 91344.

The author of this book is a lawyer who specializes in legal problems of developmentally disabled. He provides a guide to California Penal Code Section 1370.1, which established an alternate legal process for handling MR criminal defendants.

Haggerty, D., Kane, L. and Udall, David. An essay on the legal rights of the mentally retarded, Family Law Quarterly, 6(1): 59-71.

There is a failure to distinguish between the mentally retarded and the mentally ill that causes deprivation of rights among retarded people. This is most evident when a retarded person commits a crime. Only in a few cases does this person receive special understanding and protection. A retarded suspect can't understand his charge, can't tell his side of the story and can't help his lawyer defend him. He may be institutionalized if he can't stand trial until such time as he is found competent. Since no one recovers from retardation, he may remain there for life.

"Handle with Care," (film) (16 mm, B&W, 28 min.) National Association for Retarded Children, 420 Lexington Avenue, New York, New York 10017.

Depicts the varied services received by selected mentally retarded persons in the greater Los Angeles area, often with the initial help of one particular agency. The emphasis is on implementation of the "fixed-point-of-referral" concept.

Healey, Wm. C and Karp-Nortman, Doreen S. The Hearing Impaired Mentally Retarded: Recommendations for Action, American Speech and Hearing Association, 1975, Washington, D.C.

Presents a study aimed at re-alerting policy makers and the public to the needs of the hearing impaired retarded. Legal rights and federal legislation, and finances are discussed.

Herr, Stanley, and others. "Symposium: the legal rights of the mentally retarded." Syracuse Law Review, Syracuse, N. Y., 1972, Vol. 23(4): 995-1165.

Ten papers on the legal rights of the mentally retarded are presented. The articles concern enforcing the constitutional rights of the mentally retarded; appropriate education for all handicapped children; trends in the field of MR; education of the MR in California; educational rights for the retarded in Pennsylvania; and environment for the MR.

Hinkle, Van R. "Legal Rights of the Mentally Retarded," American Journal of Mental Deficiency, 1958, Vol. 63, p. 501-505.

We must recognize that there is such a person as a mentally deficient delinquent who is not insane according to the traditional legal tests, and we must place such a person in a specialized institution geared for his particular needs, where he can be given humane treatment instead of either acquitting him and letting him return to society or convicting him and sending him to prison.

Hinkle, V.R. "Criminal responsibility of the Mentally Retarded," American Journal of Mental Deficiency, 1961, 65(4) 434-439.

This article discusses various rules of the 1800's and 1900's on the criminal responsibility of the mentally retarded. From the mentally retarded previously being classified with the mentally ill and our historical concept of holding a "deficient" person to full responsibility for his acts as a normal person and sending him to prison or

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entirely acquitting him and returning him to society, the interest is now being directed toward more consideration of the welfare of the mentally retarded.

Hodges, E. F. Crime Prevention by the Indeterminate Sentence Law, American Journal of Psychiatry, 128(5): 291-295, 1971.

Maryland's defective delinquent statute is described. The law provides a unique approach in the treatment of dangerous offenders at Patuxent Institution. Without the law 1500 additional crimes would be committed by prisoners after their release. The indeterminate sentence is outlined in the law protecting society and handling the defendant more effectively.

Inbau, Fred E. and Aspen, Marvin. Criminal Law for the Laymen, A Guide for Citizen and Student, Chilton Book Company, Radner, Pennsylvania, C 1970.

This book was prepared to satisfy the need of the layman and the student for easily understood facts about criminal law and its application on all levels.

Case History, "Is He Dangerous," The Exceptional Parent, 1973, Vol. 3, pp. 47-50.

The case history concerns a 13-year-old retarded boy who was accused of sexually abusing a teenage girl. The case delves into the feelings of the family and the boy, and it also examines the reactions of the police and the community.

Jones D. Confinement of subnormal offenders, British Medical Journal, 3, 231-232, 1972.

The author believes that in order to be consistent with the current trends towards normalization for the mentally retarded population that such offenders should "pay the penalty in accordance with the law." He goes on to state, however, that such confinement or incarceration should be in special facilities for such offenders. This would allow for some form of therapeutic treatment and rehabilitation for many of these persons.

Kindred, Michael. The Mentally Retarded Citizen and the Law, MacMillan Publishing Co., Inc., New York, 1976.

This is a collection of 22 papers which concern the civil and legal rights of the mentally retarded. Of special interest are the sections titled, "The Criminal Reform Movement," "Corrections," and "Special Doctrinal Treatment in Criminal Law."

Kingsley, Ronald F. An Analysis of Delinquent and Nondelinquent Educable Mentally Retarded Youth, Devereux Forum, Vol. 10, 1975, pp. 20-25.

An Interests-Activities Inventory was given to 58 EMR boys, ages 11-15, 36 of whom had been in Juvenile Court. Delinquents preferred group activities which were passive, while non-delinquents opted for solitary or active. In other areas of the survey there were no significant differences.

Kingsley, Ronald F., Blixt, Sonya. "An analysis of interests of delinquent and non-delinquent MR youths," Journal of Community Correctional Centers (Baton Rouge, LA), 1973, Vol. 1(2), 31-37.

Interests and activities of 36 delinquent and 22 non-delinquent EMR boys attending special classes in the inner city were examined. Based on reported interests, it was found that group activities that were passive in nature differentiated the delinquent from the non-delinquent.

Krakel and Kach. The Mentally Disabled and the Law, University of Chicago Press, 1971.

General overview of definitions, court cases and decisions of the mentally retarded offender and the law--textbook type format.

Kugel, R., Trembath, J., and Sagar, Steven. "Some characteristics of patients legally committed to a state institution for the mentally retarded," Mental Retardation, 1968, 6(4). 9-12.

This article analyzed the pattern of court commitments made to a public institution over the past 58 years. An analysis is presented of certain characteristics of 142 of these patients during a 19-year period. In addition, an analysis has been made of the offenses of this group of persons and their current status as far as institutionalization is concerned. The appropriateness of the commitment procedures has been questioned and discussed.

Landau, Simha F., (Hebrew Univ. Jerusalem, Israel). Futures: Time Perspective of Delinquency and Non-Delinquents, Criminal Justice and Behavior, 1975, 2, 1, March 22-36.

The assumption that both delinquency and institutionalization independently have a limiting effect on the range of future. Time perspective is investigated.

Law, Mental Disorders and the Juvenile Treatment, Process, Government Reports Announcements, 1974, Vol. 74 (24), p. 19, (#P.B.236274/4GA).

The 5 yer. (1967-1971 research project undertook a variety of studies to examine the processing of juvenile courts of allegedly delinquent juveniles who are also MR. Vol. 4 of the 4-vol. report contains the proceedings of a conference which focused on 4 presentations concerning successful treatment programs for such delinquents and the legal problems surrounding the commitment process.

Legislative Research Commission. Mentally Retarded Offenders in Adult and Juvenile Institutions, Frankfort, Kentucky, 1975.

This research report is divided into two sections--the juvenile offender and the adult offender. The study took place in 1974-1975. It evaluates the services provided to mentally retarded offenders in Kentucky correctional institutions. The areas studied are: Findings and Recommendations - Treatment Programs and Future Plans; Inmate Population Data; State Surveys; Inmate/Staff Survey Data; Kentucky Statutory Law; Legal Trends Towards A Right to Rehabilitation; The Denial of Legal Rights of Kent. MR Offenders; and Proposed Treatment Plan.

Levy, S. "The role of mental deficiency in the causation of criminal behavior," American Journal of Mental Deficiency, 1963, Vol.68, pp.15-2

This is the results of a study carried out at the Washington State Penitentiary, Walla Walla, Washington and was part of a larger investigation into the causation of criminal behavior. Instead of using mental retardation in a theory of criminal behavior the study shows there is no typical "defective" criminal but really a tremendous range of difference in background, personality, physical and emotional factors of criminals thus resulting in the bio-psychosocio phenomenon. Much of this was based on that at the time of the study the amount of MR in the general population was the same as in the prison.

Lawandowski, D. and Saccuzzo, D. Possible Differential WISC Patterns for Retarded Delinquents, Psychological Reports, 1975, 37, 887-94.

This article describes a study in which an attempt was made to assess the generalizability of Wechsler's WAIS hypotheses for the non-defective adolescent sociopath to 80 retarded juvenile offenders.

Ligato, John. Integrating Retardates and Delinquents, Journal of Special Educators of the Mentally Retarded, 1972, Volume 9, pp. 63-64.

This article examines the placement of delinquents in facilities for the retarded. The author feels that many delinquents are misplaced through invalid testing. The court should use better evaluation systems and develop programs for the delinquent, and the mentally retarded delinquent. The author opposes the integration of any juvenile delinquent with the non-delinquent mentally retarded.

Staff writer, Lag times Lag, Times Magazine, May 20, 1975, Vol. 106, p. 57.

The article goes into detail on the problem of whether or not a person is really criminally insane or are they retarded and can they stand trial?

Lomastro, James A. The Retarded Offender: A New Perspective, Brandeis, Ph.D. dissertation, May 1976.

Adaptive Behavior scale administered to a sample group of 65 retarded parolees and 44 non-retarded parolees. Results: those found to be low in functional capacity were also low on family stability. The retarded low on func. cap. were in prison 3 times as long as non-retarded, in spite of similar offenses, arrest, and conviction history. Policy implications of the findings are discussed. Found in Abstracts for Social Workers, V. 12, No. 3, Fall 1976.

Long, Thomas A. (Univ. Cincinnati; OH 45221), Capital Punishment - Cruel and Unusual, Ethics, 1973, 83, 3, April, 214-223.

A brief examination of the various arguments for and against capital punishment in the face of a widespread movement to abolish it.

Marsh, Robert L., Friel, Charles, M., and Eissler, Victoria. The Adult Mentally Retarded in the Criminal Justice System, Mental Retardation, 1975, Vol. 13, No. 2, 21-25.

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Notes that adult mental retardates are increasingly being processed through the criminal justice system. The retarded person, because of the lack of mental competence, in addition to the intricacies of the criminal justice system, is often incarcerated, and this does little to improve him.

Martinson, Robert (City Coll. N.Y., N.Y. 10031). What Works - Questions and Answers About Prison Reform, The Public Interest, 1974, 35, Spr., 22-54.

From a comprehensive survey of the numerous recent studies of rehabilitation in our prison system, some possible solutions are discussed and examined.

Matthews, Robert and Rowland, Loyd. How to Recognize and Handle Abnormal People, National Association for Mental Health, Arlington, Va., 1954.

This is a book that is a manual for police officers on how to deal with individuals who are mentally ill, depressed, the alcoholic, drug addict and the mentally retarded. The book gives tips on some of the characteristics of the MR, how to spot the, the questions to ask them, and who to contact in case an MR individual gets into trouble with the criminal justice system. This book is outdated in many respects and I'm sure that police officers today are much more sophisticated.

McCollum, Sylvia G. "Say, Have You Got Anything Around Here for a Dummy?," Federal Probation, Sept. 1971, Vol. 35, pp. 37-42.

This article details the new educational programs being offered in Federal prisons. Previous programs were focused on educating the "average" inmate, with little available for the MR. offender. The new programs are multi-faceted with the focus on individual instruction for each inmate.

Menolascino, Frank J. The Mentally Retarded Offender, Mental Retardation, Feb. 1974, p. 7-11.

A historical prospectus, societal viewpoint and contemporary services for the offender allusion. Also deals with suggested conceptualization for the offender in services.

Menolascino, Frank. A System of Services for the Mentally Retarded Offender Crime and Delinquency, Vol. 21, Jan. 1975, p. 57-64.

The author discusses some of the common ideas about the relationship between the MR offender and the CJ system. He points out new evidence to suggest that MR and crime are more related to environmental factors than to each other. He points out, however, that MR individuals have special needs within the CJ system. For example, he is more likely to be unaware of his rights. He suggests that we more specifically define, implement, and then treat the needs of the individual. A service program should include the elements of prevention, advocacy and treatment wherein a professional could live in a facility of 6-8 other individuals to receive vocational and rehabilitative training.

Menolascino, Frank J. Challenges in Mental Retardation: Progressive Ideology and Services, Human Science Press, New York, N.Y., 1977.

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Morris, J.V. A special unit for delinquent defectives, American Journal of Mental Deficiency, 62:432-435, 1957.

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The authors trace the history of the causations of crime from phrenology in 1839 up through the hypothesis of the aggressive X44 male. Included in this is the discussion of a high percentage of MR individuals and crime relationships based on the studies of Fernald, Goddard and Printner. Each of these former individuals felt that crime was a result of inborn intellectual deficiencies. The authors of this article give explanations as to why previous researchers were incorrect in blaming increased crime rate of MR because of inappropriate populations, no uniform standard intelligence test and no controls used as in scientific research. Authors suggest no biomedical approach to crime.

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Olczak, P. and Scott, M. Family Court Placement of Mentally Retarded Juvenile Offenders and the use of Intelligence Testing, Criminal Justice and Behavior, 1976, 3:23-28.

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Pense, A.W. "Problem of the Male Defective Delinquent in the State School," American Journal of Mental Deficiency, 47, 1943, pp. 467-472.

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Mental competencies for marriage and contracts.

Power, D.J. "Subnormality and Crime: Intelligence testing-lawbreaking," Medicine, Science, and the Law, London, 1969, Vol. 9(2), 83-93.

Subnormals usually appreciate the physical consequences of illegal behavior, but appreciation of moral implications would depend on the degree of subnormality. Crimes perpetrated by subnormals usually follow an easily recognizable pattern; absence of constructive planning usually facilitates detection. Specific offenses and relevant clinical cases of subnormal offenders are described.

Research Department, Arkansas Legislative Council, The Defense of Insanity, Research Report No. 118, Jan. 1964.

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Rockoff, Edward S. The Mentally Retarded Offender in the Iowa Correctional Institutions, Dissertation Abstracts International, 1973 (Dec.), Vol. 34 (6-A), 3194.

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Rogan, Thomas F. "The mentally retarded juvenile offender," The Mentally Retarded Offender and the Law, selected papers from an institute held at Wintonia House, Seattle, Wa., August 1971. Olympia, Wa. State Health Dept. of Social and Health Services, 1971, pp. 46-60.

Definitions of MR, legislation in different states, resources in the judicial system, and disposition problems are dealt with in this discussion.

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Rowan, Beverly A. The Retarded Offender, Florida Bar Journal, 1972, 46:338-4.

The author discusses the competency of a mentally retarded offender to stand trial. She questions the admissibility of confessions and incriminating statements. She advocates the establishment of a mental health and retardation referral service.

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This is a survey of the educational programs in 136 corrective institutions for juveniles. The reports show that the programs do not have much to offer for the MR offender. Only 10% of the teachers have a background in exceptional education, and a large part of the curriculum center on workbooks. However, 74% of the institutions offer vocational training for the juvenile delinquents.

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This is a prescriptive package intended to help law enforcement agencies better understand the mentally retarded offender. Included are definitions of retardation and criminal behavior, presentation of the facts and a discussion of issues, an overview of research, conferences, surveys and programs, functional concepts of retardation and criminal behavior, planning a program for defenders, and a summary.

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The author reports that it is difficult to correlate specific types of offenses with specific conditions manifested by the mentally retarded population. In an attempt to provide more appropriate therapeutic/rehabilitative services for such clinical subgroups, two approaches have been traditionally employed -- services provided within the prisons and services provided within minimum security units. The author recommends more minimum security units for two of these clinical subgroups -- those associated with environmental deprivation and those associated with organic etiologies.

Shriver, Eunice Kennedy. The Challenge of the Mentally Retarded, New Catholic World, Sept. 76, p. 200.

The article deals with the questions on the rights of the mentally retarded for legal assistance they deserve, human rights, their rights to life, liberty and happiness are protected, education-health protection under the law.

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This article deals with the relation of criminality and the mentally retarded from the time when the mentally deficient were cared for and treated in institutions to the present. Various studies are cited. The conclusion was that there is no direct relationship between limited intelligence and social misbehavior.

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Snyder, R. and Sechrest, L. An experimental study of directive group therapy with defective delinquents, American Journal of Mental Deficiency, 54: 117-123, 1959.

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Svendsen, B. and Werner, J. Offenders within ordinary services for the mentally retarded in Denmark. In, Mittler, P. (Ed.), Research to Practice in Mental Retardation - Volume I Proceedings of the Fourth Congress of the International Association for the Scientific Study of Mental Deficiency, University Park Press, Baltimore, 1977.

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