

ADOLESCENCE, CRIME AND JUVENILE JUSTICE

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Textbooks: Margaret K. Rosenheim, Franklin E. Zimring, David S. Tanenhaus, and Bernardine Dohrn, eds., *A Century of Juvenile Justice* (2002)

Franklin E. Zimring, *American Juvenile Justice* (2005)

Franklin E. Zimring, *The Changing Legal World of Adolescence*
(2014 or 1982; current edition also available as an ebook)

I. General Perspectives

- A. Adolescence and American Law
Zimring, *The Changing Legal World of Adolescence*, Part I (Chapters 1–3)
pp. 1–35 in the 2014 edition
- B. Edelman, *American Government and the Politics of Youth*, @ Chapter 11 in
Rosenheim, Zimring, Tanenhaus and Dohrn

II. Adolescent Crime and Juvenile Delinquency

- A. Patterns of Youth Crime
 - . Zimring and Fagan, *Two Patterns of Age Progression in Adolescent Crime*, @ Chapter 7 in Zimring, *American Juvenile Justice*
 - . Zimring, *Kids, Groups and Crime*, @ Chapter 6 in Zimring, *American Juvenile Justice*
- B. Institutions for Kids -- Labels and Trends
 - . Lerman, *Twentieth-Century Developments in America's Institutional Systems for Youth in Trouble*, @ Chapter 3 in Rosenheim, Zimring, Tanenhaus and Dohrn

III. Theories of Delinquency

- . Laub, *A Century of Delinquency Research and Delinquency Theory*, @

Chapter 7 in Rosenheim, Zimring, Tanenhaus and Dohrn

Farrington and Loeber, A Serious and Violent Juvenile Offenders, @
Chapter 9 in Rosenheim, Zimring, Tanenhaus and Dohrn

IV. Juvenile Justice and Responses to Delinquency

- A. Rosenheim, A The Modern Juvenile Court, @ Chapter 12 in Rosenheim, Zimring, Tanenhaus and Dohrn
- B. The Evolution of Juvenile Courts
Zimring, A The Common Thread, @ Chapter 5 in Rosenheim, Zimring, Tanenhaus and Dohrn
- C. Policing Juveniles
Egon Bittner, “Policing Juveniles: The Social Context of Common Practices”
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- D. Status Offenders
Teitelbaum, A Status Offenses and Status Offenders, @ Chapter 6 in Rosenheim, Zimring, Tanenhaus and Dohrn
- E. Dohrn, A The School, the Child, and the Court, @ Chapter 10 in Rosenheim, Zimring, Tanenhaus and Dohrn

V. Delinquency and the Legal Status of Adolescence

- A. Toward a Legal Theory of Adolescence, “The Revolution in Juvenile Justice”
Zimring, *The Changing Legal World of Adolescence*, Part II (Chapters 4–7)
pp. 37–68 in the 2014 edition
- B. The Implications of Semi-Autonomy on Punishment
Zimring, A Penal Proportionality for the Young Offender, @ Chapter 5 in Zimring,
American Juvenile Justice

VI. Youth Violence and the Limits of Juvenile Court Protection

- A. Adolescents, Guns and Punishment Policy
Zimring, A Choosing a Coherent Policy toward Juveniles and Guns, @ Chapter 12
in Zimring, *American Juvenile Justice*
- B. Transfer to Criminal Court
 - 1. Scott, A The Legal Construction of Childhood, @ Chapter 4 in Rosenheim, Zimring, Tanenhaus and Dohrn

2. Zimring, A Juvenile or Criminal Court? A Punitive Theory of Waiver, @ Chapter 10 in Zimring, *American Juvenile Justice*
3. Juveniles, the Death Penalty and Life Sentences

VII. The Jurisprudence of Adolescence

- A. Zimring, *The Changing Legal World of Adolescence*, Part III (Chapters 8–10) pp. 69–91 in the 2014 edition

VIII. Juvenile Justice in Comparative Perspective

- A. Doek, A Modern Juvenile Justice in Europe, @ Chapter 16 in Rosenheim, Zimring, Tanenhaus and Dohrn
- A. Morita, A Juvenile Justice in Japan: A Historical and Cross-Cultural Perspective, @ Chapter 13 in Rosenheim, Zimring, Tanenhaus and Dohrn

IX. Perspectives on Law Reform

- A. Is Teen Pregnancy a Status Offense?
Zimring, A The Jurisprudence of Teen Pregnancy, @ Chapter 9 in Zimring,
American Juvenile Justice
- B. Sexual Abuse by Juvenile Males
Michael Caldwell, “Juvenile Sex Offenders” (b space)
- C. Racial Disproportion in Juvenile Justice
Zimring, A Reducing the Harms of Minority Overrepresentation in American
Juvenile Justice, @ Chapter 11 in Zimring, *American Juvenile Justice*
- D. Juvenile Justice and the Juvenile Brain
Terry Maroney, “The One and Future Juvenile Brain” (b space)
- E. Making Reform Happen
Franklin Zimring and David Tanenhaus, “On Strategy and Tactics for
Contemporary Reforms” (b space)