

ADOLESCENCE, CRIME AND JUVENILE JUSTICE
Legal Studies 163
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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* (1982)

I. General Perspectives

- A. Grossberg, A Changing Conceptions of Child Welfare, @ Chapter 1 in Rosenheim, Zimring, Tanenhaus and Dohrn
- B. Adolescence and American Law
Zimring, *The Changing Legal World of Adolescence*, Part I, pp. 1-48
- C. Edelman, A 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
 - 1. Zimring and Fagan, A Two Patterns of Age Progression in Adolescent Crime, @ Chapter 7 in Zimring, *American Juvenile Justice*
 - 2. Zimring, A Kids, Groups and Crime, @ Chapter 6 in Zimring, *American Juvenile Justice*
- B. Institutions for Kids -- Labels and Trends
 - 1. Lerman, A Twentieth-Century Developments in America=s Institutional

Systems for Youth in Trouble,@ Chapter 3 in Rosenheim, Zimring,
Tanenhaus and Dohrn

III. Theories of Delinquency

- A. Laub, A Century of Delinquency Research and Delinquency Theory,@ Chapter 7 in Rosenheim, Zimring, Tanenhaus and Dohrn
- B. 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 (will be posted on bspace)
- 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
Zimring, *The Changing Legal World of Adolescence*, Part II, pp. 49-98
- 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

in Zimring, AChoosing a Coherent Policy toward Juveniles and Guns,@ Chapter 12
 Zimring, *American Juvenile Justice*

B. Transfer to Criminal Court

1. Scott, AThe Legal Construction of Childhood,@ Chapter 4 in Rosenheim,
 Zimring, Tanenhaus and Dohrn
2. Zimring, AJuvenile or Criminal Court? A Punitive Theory of Waiver,@
 Chapter 10 in Zimring, *American Juvenile Justice*

VII. The Jurisprudence of Adolescence

- A. Zimring, *The Changing Legal World of Adolescence*, Part III, pp. 99-133

VIII. Juvenile Justice in Comparative Perspective

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

IX. Perspectives on Law Reform

- A. Does the Juvenile Court Have a Future?
 Zimring, AThe Case of the Disappearing Superpredator,@ Chapter 8 in Zimring,
 American Juvenile Justice
- B. Is Teen Pregnancy a Status Offense?
 Zimring, AThe Jurisprudence of Teen Pregnancy,@ Chapter 9 in Zimring,
American Juvenile Justice
- C. Sexual Abuse by Juvenile Males (photocopy handout)
- D. Racial Disproportion in Juvenile Justice
 Zimring, AReducing the Harms of Minority Overrepresentation in American
 Juvenile Justice,@ Chapter 11 in Zimring, *American Juvenile Justice*
- E. A 16-Year-Old Voting Age?
- F. Juveniles Who Commit Murder
 Zimring, AThe Hardest of the Hard Cases,@ Chapter 13 in Zimring, *American
 Juvenile Justice*