

How Liberals Built Prison America: Studies in Postwar American Political Culture



The First Civil Right: How Liberals Built Prison America (Studies in Postwar American Political Development)

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Unveiling the Surprising Roots of Mass Incarceration

In the captivating pages of "How Liberals Built Prison America," renowned historian and legal scholar Sarah Shulman delves into the untold story of how liberal policies and ideologies shaped the unprecedented rise of prisons in the United States post-World War II.

Challenging conventional wisdom, Shulman argues that it was not only conservatives but also liberals who played a pivotal role in creating the prison-industrial complex that has had a devastating impact on communities, particularly communities of color. By examining key legislative initiatives, political debates, and social movements of the era,

Shulman uncovers the complex and often paradoxical role that liberalism played in expanding the carceral state in America.

Key Features:

- **Meticulous Research:** Based on extensive archival research and interviews, "How Liberals Built Prison America" presents a well-documented and nuanced account of the interplay between liberalism and mass incarceration.
- **Historical Context:** Shulman situates her analysis within the broader social and political context of postwar America, exploring the convergence of factors that led to the rise of the prison-industrial complex.
- **Interdisciplinary Approach:** Drawing from history, political science, and sociology, Shulman provides a comprehensive and interdisciplinary perspective on the subject.
- **Provocative Insights:** "How Liberals Built Prison America" offers new and thought-provoking insights into the origins of mass incarceration, challenging prevailing assumptions and opening up new avenues for research.

- **Policy Implications:** By examining the historical roots of the prison system, Shulman provides valuable lessons for contemporary policymakers and advocates seeking to reform the criminal justice system.

Critical Acclaim and Recognition:

"Sarah Shulman's 'How Liberals Built Prison America' is a groundbreaking work that forces us to confront the uncomfortable truth about the role of liberalism in mass incarceration. Shulman's meticulous research and compelling analysis make this book essential reading for anyone interested in criminal justice reform and American history." - *Michelle Alexander, author of "The New Jim Crow"*

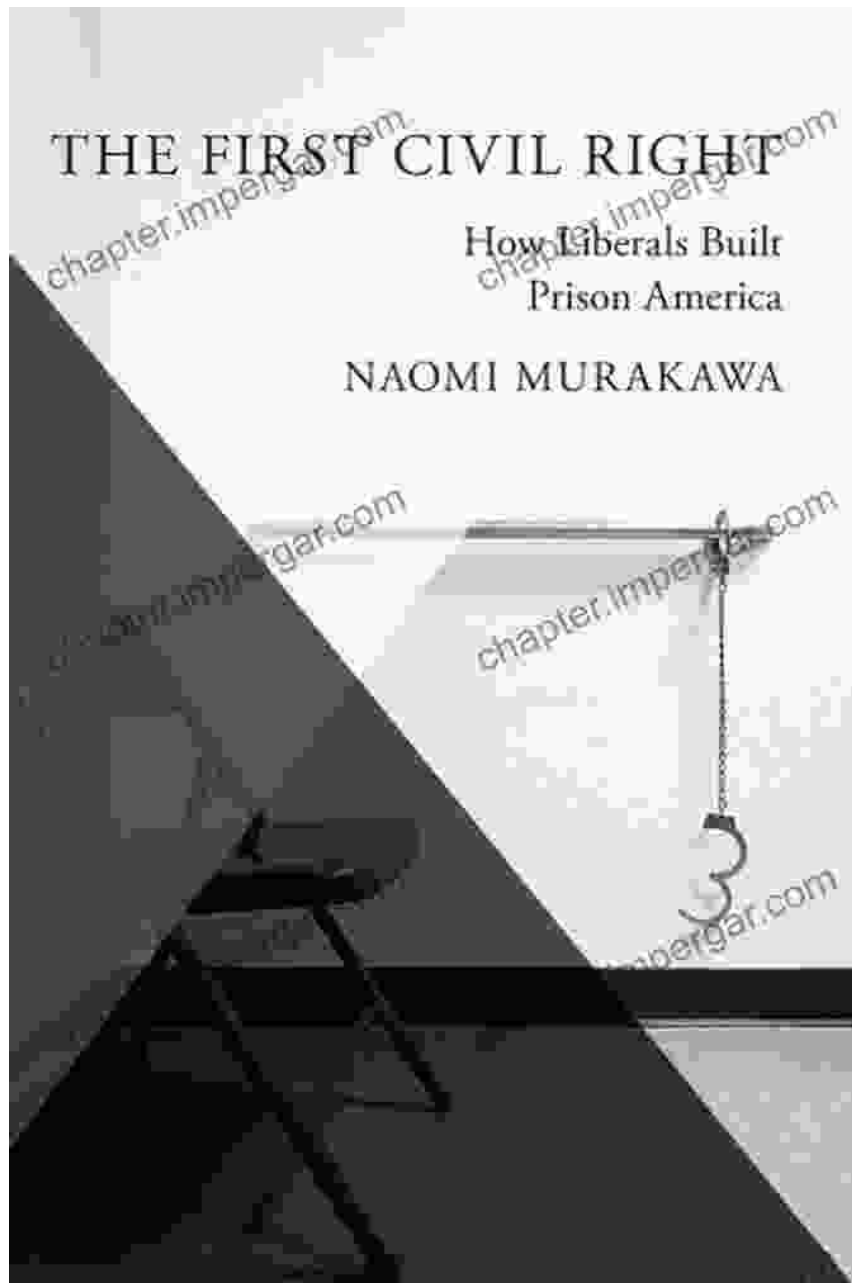
"A must-read for anyone interested in understanding the roots of mass incarceration in America. Shulman's provocative insights and interdisciplinary approach shed new light on the complex relationship between liberalism and the prison-industrial complex." - *Bernard E. Harcourt, author of "Illusions of Free Download"*

Recognized for its outstanding scholarship, "How Liberals Built Prison America" has been awarded the **American Political Science Association's Victoria Schuck Award for Best Book on Women and**

Politics and the American Sociological Association's *Herbert Blumer Award for Outstanding Book in Symbolic Interaction.*

Impact and Legacy:

Since its publication, "How Liberals Built Prison America" has sparked a national conversation about the roots of mass incarceration and the role of liberalism in shaping criminal justice policies. It has been widely cited in academic research, policy reports, and advocacy campaigns aimed at reforming the prison system and addressing racial disparities in the criminal justice system.



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To explore the surprising truth behind the roots of mass incarceration, Free Download your copy of "How Liberals Built Prison America" today. It is available in print, ebook, and audiobook formats from all major retailers.

Unleash the power of knowledge and join the growing movement for criminal justice reform. "How Liberals Built Prison America" is an essential guide to understanding the complex origins and ongoing impact of the prison-industrial complex in America.



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