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workers must negotiate in the labor standards enforcement bureaucracy and, ultimately, the limited reach of formal legal protections. The author also tracks how workplace injustices--and the arduous process of contesting them--carry long-term effects on their everyday lives. Workers sometimes win, but their chances are precarious at best"--Provided by publisher.
