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In what has been called the Dred Scott decision of our times, the US Supreme Court found in *McCleskey v. Kemp* that evidence of overwhelming racial disparities in the capital punishment process could not be admitted in individual capital cases-in effect institutionalizing a racially unequal system of criminal justice. Exploring the enduring legacy of this radical decision nearly three decades later, the authors of *Race and the Death Penalty* examine the persistence of racial discrimination in the practice of capital punishment, the dynamics that drive it, and the human consequences of both.
