

1. Record Nr.	UNINA9910780023003321
Autore	Pillsbury Samuel H
Titolo	Judging evil [[electronic resource]] : rethinking the law of murder and manslaughter / / Samuel H. Pillsbury
Pubbl/distr/stampa	New York, : New York University Press, c1998
ISBN	0-8147-6875-X 0-8147-6816-4 0-585-42486-1
Descrizione fisica	1 online resource (278 p.)
Disciplina	345/.04
Soggetti	Murder Criminal intent Criminal liability
Lingua di pubblicazione	Inglese
Formato	Materiale a stampa
Livello bibliografico	Monografia
Note generali	Description based upon print version of record.
Nota di bibliografia	Includes bibliographical references and index.
Nota di contenuto	Contents; Preface:The Challenge of Criminal Responsibility; Acknowledgments; I Deserved Punishment; 1 A Question of Value; 2 The Value of Choice; 3 Punishment as Defense of Value; 4 Just Punishment in an Unjust Society; 5 Moralizing the Passions of Punishment; II Defining Murder and Manslaughter; 6 From Principles to Rules:An Introduction to Mens Rea; 7 The Worst Crime of All; 8 Crimes of Passion; 9 Crimes of Indifference; Appendix: Proposed Jury Instructions; Notes; Index; About the Author
Sommario/riassunto	Why do killers deserve punishment? How should the law decide?. These are the questions Samuel H. Pillsbury seeks to answer in this important new book on the theory and practice of criminal responsibility. In an argument both traditional and fresh, Pillsbury holds that persons deserve punishment according to the evil they choose to do, regardless of their psychological capacities. Using real case examples, he offers concrete proposals for legal reform, urging that modern preoccupations with subjective aspects of wrongdoing be replaced with rules that focus more on the individual's motives.