Record Nr. UNINA9910781924203321 Autore Burch Susan Titolo Unspeakable [[electronic resource]]: the story of Junius Wilson // Susan Burch and Hannah Joyner Chapel Hill,: University of North Carolina Press, c2007 Pubbl/distr/stampa **ISBN** 979-88-908810-9-0 0-8078-8434-0 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (315 p.) Altri autori (Persone) **JoynerHannah** Disciplina 362.42092 Soggetti Deaf - North Carolina - Greensboro African Americans - North Carolina - Greensboro Racism - Southern States People with disabilities - Abuse of - United States Mentally ill - Abuse of - United States Diagnostic errors - United States Greensboro (N.C.) Biography Greensboro (N.C.) Race relations History 20th century Southern States Race relations History 20th century 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 (p. 271-294) and index. Nota di contenuto Contents; Introduction; 1 One Misstep; 2 From One Institution to Another: 3 Walls: 4 Renaming, Remaining: 5 Classified: 6 Vital Signs: 7 Reinterpreting; 8 New Places, New Faces; 9 Almost Home; 10 Judgments; 11 The End?; Notes; Selected Bibliography; Acknowledgments; Index Sommario/riassunto Junius Wilson (1908-2001) spent seventy-six years at a state mental hospital in Goldsboro, North Carolina, including six in the criminal ward. He had never been declared insane by a medical professional or found guilty of any criminal charge. But he was deaf and black in the Jim Crow South. Unspeakable is the story of his life. Using legal records,

institutional files, and extensive oral history interviews--some

conducted in sign language--Susan Burch and Hannah Joyner piece together the story of a deaf man accused in 1925 of attempted rape,

found insane at a lunacy hearing, comm