Record Nr. UNINA9910815222603321 Autore Connell Nadine M. <1979-> Titolo Death by jury: group dynamics and capital sentencing / / Nadine M. Connell Pubbl/distr/stampa El Paso, : LFB Scholarly Pub., 2009 **ISBN** 1-59332-544-4 Edizione [1st ed.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (224 p.) Collana Criminal justice Disciplina 345.73/0773 Soggetti Capital punishment - United States Verdicts - United States Jury - United States - Decision making - Evaluation Discrimination in criminal justice administration - United States 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. 197-207) and index. Nota di contenuto The death penalty and discretion in America -- The role of the jury --Understanding groups in context -- Measuring groups with the capital jury project -- Testing group dynamics -- What juries do : putting it all together. Sommario/riassunto Connell focuses on the role that deliberation has on the juror's perception of group functioning, measured here by the construct of group climate. Her results suggest individual juror characteristics do not have a direct effect on sentencing outcomes; rather, the level of group climate acts as a mediating variable between individual characteristics and outcomes. Trial level characteristics directly predict sentencing and indirectly operate through the level of group climate. Group climate is the strongest predictor of outcomes, with juries who

have more positive perceptions of group climate mo