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**Willard M. Oliver** is professor of criminal justice at Sam Houston State University.

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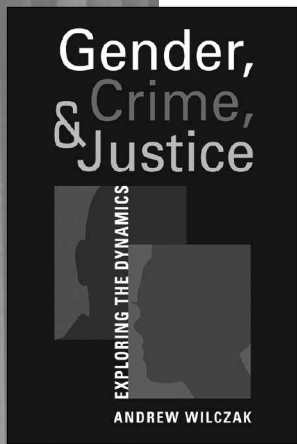
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