



The Writing of a History of Criminal Justice in England and Wales

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Abstract:

In this talk, Professor Rock will offer a simple, step by step and very practical account of how archival research was conducted in the writing of a history of criminal justice in England and Wales between 1959 and 1997, focusing, for illustrative purposes on a case study of the reform of the criminal courts that took place in 1971.

Speaker:

Professor Paul Rock was educated at the London School of Economics and the University of Oxford. His principal employment was at the London School of Economics where he retired as an Emeritus Professor of Sociology, but he has also had visiting appointments and fellowships at a number of institutions, including Princeton University; the University of Pennsylvania; the Australian National University; the Center for Advanced Studies in the Behavioral Sciences at Stanford, California; and the Ministry of the Solicitor General of Canada. He is an honorary fellow of the Regulatory Institutions Network, and a Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts and of the British Academy. His main research interests have focused on the development of criminal justice policies, chiefly for victims of crime, and criminological theory. He has just completed his portion of the official history of criminal justice in England and Wales, 1959-1997, commissioned by the Cabinet Office.

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