



Taking Liberties: The War on Terror and the Erosion of American Democracy

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Oxford University Press Inc. Paperback. Book Condition: new. BRAND NEW, Taking Liberties: The War on Terror and the Erosion of American Democracy, Susan N. Herman, In this eye-opening work, the president of the ACLU takes a hard look at the human and social costs of the War on Terror. A decade after 9/11, it is far from clear that the government's hastily adopted antiterrorist tactics-such as the Patriot Act-are keeping us safe, but it is increasingly clear that these emergency measures in fact have the potential to ravage our lives-and have already done just that to countless Americans. From the Oregon lawyer falsely suspected of involvement with terrorism in Spain to the former University of Idaho football player arrested on the pretext that he was needed as a "material witness" (though he was never called to testify), this book is filled with unsettling stories of ordinary people caught in the government's dragnet. These are not just isolated mistakes in an otherwise sound program, but demonstrations of what can happen when our constitutional protections against government abuse are abandoned. Whether it's running a chat room, contributing to a charity, or even urging a terrorist group to forego its violent tactics, activities...



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