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Professor Penrod has more than 130 publications on eyewitness reliability and jury decision-making. He has written extensively about the jury, including research on the effects of jury size and decision rules on jury decision-making, death penalty decision-making, juror's use of probabilistic and hearsay evidence, comprehension of legal instructions, and the impact of extra-legal influences such as pretrial publicity on jury performance. His research and writing about eyewitness evidence has encompassed factors that reduce eyewitness reliability, interview and lineup procedures that may enhance eyewitness performance, the relationship between eyewitness confidence and accuracy and the effects of eyewitness expert testimony on jury decision-making. He is a co-author of books on juries, eyewitnesses, pornography, introductory psychology and social psychology.



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