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On a daily basis, around the globe, millions of individuals are entangled in justice systems either as offenders, as victims, or vicariously as family members of those directly involved. Contact often begins with the police that frequently leads to court involvement, and for offenders found guilty, to correctional supervision or incarceration. While these encounters primarily affect individuals, they have a tremendous impact upon the family. Police and justice entanglements can result in tremendous strains upon families economically and socially, and can also endanger family relationships. In order to better comprehend how involvement at any level of the justice system affects families, this multidisciplinary volume of CPFR will focus upon the justice system and the family. In doing so, we are seeking articles that cover a wide array of topics including: how policing, arrest, jail and court processes impact family members and their support networks; how prolonged incarceration impacts children and parenting processes and family coping; how intimate relationships are impacted during and after incarceration including marriage and divorce and partner violence; and, whether system involvement leads to unintended consequences among family members such as heightened fear of crime and victimizations including extrajudicial killings and fears of the police, among others.

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