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PRETRIAL RISK ASSESSMENT TOOLS

A Primer for Judges, Prosecutors,
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The Civil Rights Opposition to Pretrial Risk Assessment Instruments: Context and Specific Reservations about Pretrial Risk Assessment Instruments



Approaches that Avoid Pretrial Risk Assessment Instruments



Controls and Reforms that Limit Pretrial Risk Assessment Instruments



Communications Resources

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