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Author Kenneth Brown Pens Fascinating Memoir, *The System Versus the Law*

(CHERRY HILL, NJ) (28 October 2008)—In his honest and gripping tale, *The System Versus the Law*, Kenneth Brown tells how he battled to prove his innocence after his arrest for two crimes he did not commit. He takes readers on an intimate journey through his mind as he faced incarceration and overcame substance abuse (drug addiction) and a mental breakdown. Eventually winning his freedom from prison, he ends with a hopeful outlook on rebuilding his life and family relationships, focusing on fatherhood and parenting.

Kenneth Brown is the father of three grown daughters, and he is divorced. Born in New York City, he now lives in a suburb of Atlanta, Georgia. He has been deeply influenced by people, such as, Carl Brown, Thurgood Marshall, Malcolm X, Bill Cosby, Bill Clinton, and Gurumayi Chidillasananda. *The System Versus the Law* is Brown's debut book, and he has also written several articles: "Black History," "Fathers," "Message to My People," "Religion," "My Viet Nam," "Emotional Awareness," and "Corrected Vision."

Leonore Wilson who teaches creative writing at Napa Valley College in California said this about Brown's work: "a stunning book about the 'real' system and the law and how one man fought it with passion, commitment, and startling courage. Kenneth Brown managed with grace, dignity, and intelligence to hold onto his innocence, though unfairly sentenced for twenty years in which he eventually did nine. His work is not only about legal injustice, it is an unflinching portrait of a contemporary black American who is raised in the projects, is sent to war, becomes addicted, marries, has children, and is convicted for an act of arson he did not do. The author takes his readers on a harrowing journey through legal wrangling, as well as teaches them a thing or two about redemption on the way. We are able to gain memorable insight into the unseemly canvas of lawyers, judges, and appeals, as well as the lacerated prison climate itself. Discrimination is pervasive in many daily events we hesitate even to think about, but Brown has a way of illuminating them with wit and candor."

Published by Africana Homestead Legacy Publishers (AHLP), *The System Versus the Law Identity Crisis: Problems and Possibilities* is available as a paperback edition: ISBN 978-0-9818939-1-4, US \$20. Readers and organizations may buy copies online or from retailers and wholesalers. For more information contact AHLP at 856-382-0629 or on the Web at <http://ahlpub.com>.

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