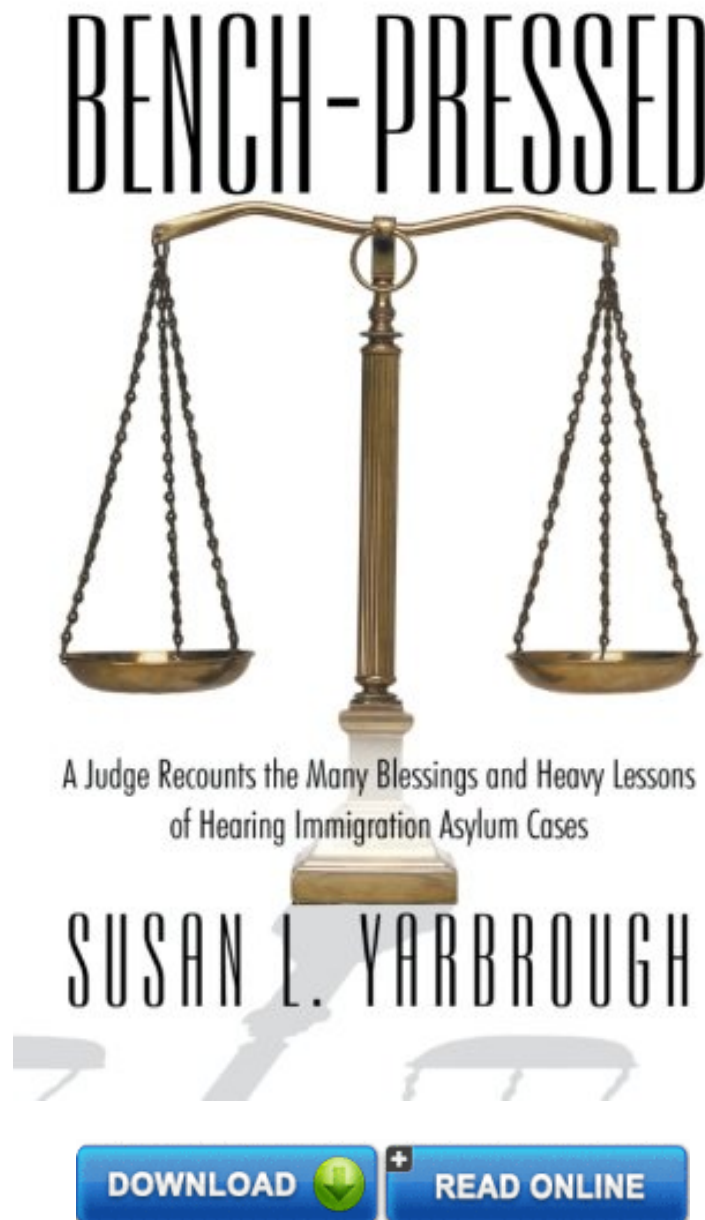


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Every year, thousands of people seek asylum in the United States because they have been persecuted in other countries due to their race, religion, nationality, social group, or political opinion. In seeking refuge and protection, these immigrants must rel

About the Author Susan L. Yarbrough, J.D., practiced law in New York and Texas before being appointed to a judgeship on the United States Immigration Court, where she served for almost eighteen years. Now retired, she lives in Texas, where she enjoys reading, writing, wal