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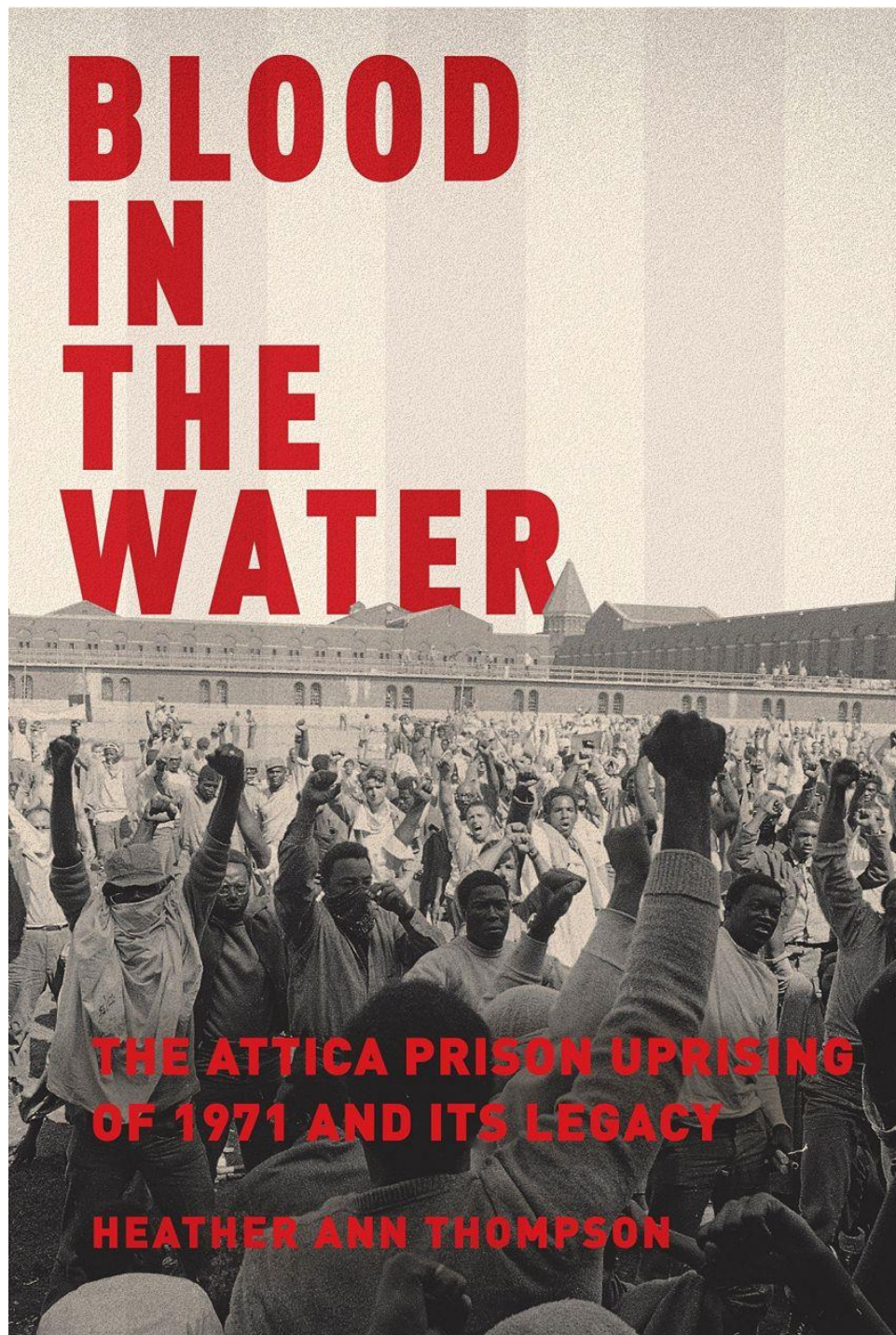
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On March 31, Cardozo's Civil Rights Clinic and the New York Civil Liberties Union filed a federal lawsuit challenging the New York State Department of Corrections and Community Supervision's censorship of *Blood in the Water: The Attica Prison Uprising and Its Legacy*, a Pulitzer-prize winning book by Dr. Heather Ann Thompson.

3Ls Miles Dixon-Darling and Isaac Strauss worked with Director and Professor Betsy Ginsberg on the suit.

"Words have the power to liberate and access to reading material is a fundamental human right. It speaks volumes that DOCCS continues to deny tens of thousands of incarcerated New Yorkers the right to read about Attica," said Dixon-Darling. "We hope that this case will help bring public attention to the all-too-often arbitrary violations of incarcerated individuals' right to free speech guaranteed by the United States Constitution," Strauss added.