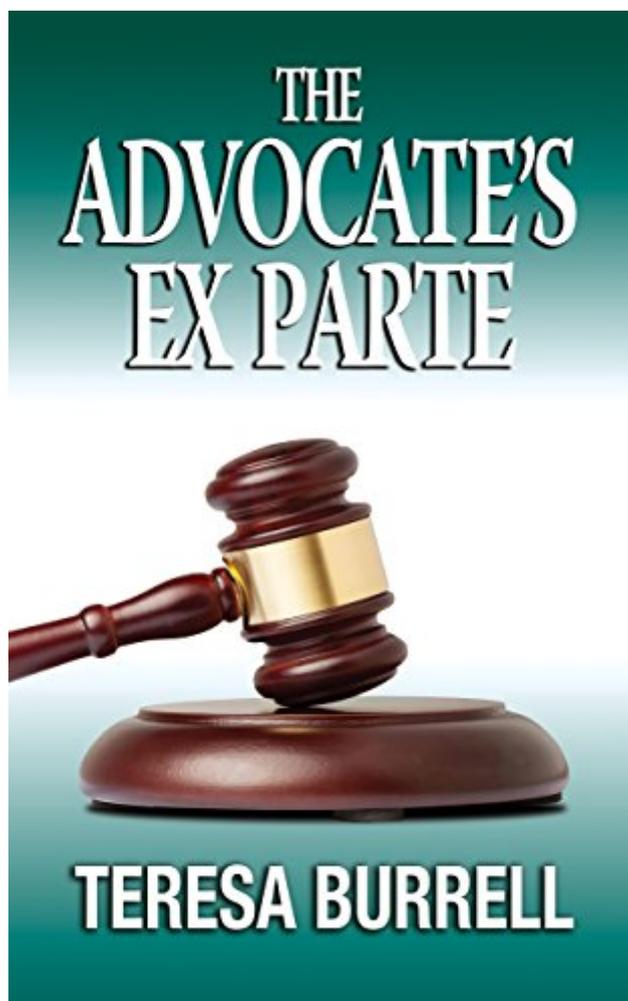


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Synopsis

Attorney Sabre Brown is summoned into Judge Lawrence Mitchell chambers for an ex parte hearing. When the judge attempts to discuss one of her cases, she refuses to listen without proper counsel present. Later that evening, Judge Mitchell is murdered. Sabre's shock at his death is only surpassed by an attempt on the life of Dr. Carolina Heller, a psychologist she employs on a regular basis. Sabre now fears for her own life. Sabre enlists her private eye JP, and they begin to comb and scrutinize her cases, searching for connections between the two crimes. But Sabre's life is in danger from someone much closer to her. Sabre and JP's roads diverge. While JP infiltrates a twisted world of greed and corruption, Sabre is caught up in a domestic crisis fueled by obsession. As each is forced to fight their own battles, the question soon becomes, can they find a way to save one another?

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Customer Reviews

Teresa Burrell does an amazing job of drawing the reader into the plot right away, which I love! Once I started reading the books, I found them hard to put down. If you like mysteries, I would

definitely recommend this series and have to my friends. Her books are "clean", the plot flows nicely and I enjoyed everyone of them. I will definitely watch for her new books.

I found this series a few weeks ago, and quickly decided it would be on my favorites list. Teresa offers an insight into the world of law from the view of a child advocate, and that sets it apart from all other mysteries I've read. However, it isn't all about the children; there's multiple story lines threading their way through your mind that go above and beyond. Can't wait for the next page turner.

If you like legal thrillers with complex story lines and quirky, multifaceted, and relatable characters, you may like this book. Possibly because the author herself is an attorney who has worked as an advocate for minors for decades, the stories are so creative with so many unexpected twists and turns, and the characters in the book are so realistic. It doesn't hurt the fact that the book is an easy read with a lot well-written dialogues, and it doesn't have graphic violence or objectionable language. The ending of the book leaves one caring about the characters and wanting to know what is going to happen next.

How I missed book 5 in this series is beyond me. I just discovered it when I got book 6 from Teresa Burrell to preview for it's opening. I read 6 and loved it I might add and then I went back and bought this one. It's another winner, winner in the the series. This one is a bit different in that it takes you into inner workings of several of Sabre's cases. I love how Teresa walked you through the maze and range of different levels of the juvenile system. I also liked the mysterious death of her judge and the hit and run of Dr. Heller the psychologist on several of the cases. The journey to the end was both interesting and very convoluted. Even though it was round-about way that Sabre and JP tied up all the loose ends. It like the others has a bit of a surprise in store for the reader. If you are a fan of this series there is no way you will want to miss this one. I enjoyed it and I was sorry I didn't discover it until after book six was out. I will have to be more vigilant. I hope you buy and enjoy this wonderful and very nicely written series of characters, the juvenile justice system and the unique mysteries that populate all of this series.

I thoroughly enjoyed the other books and could not put them down. Sadly this one is ok but disappointing compared to the previous books, the story is slow and boring in parts. I hope the next novel is as good as the first three.

I did and am enjoying the stories. They are interesting. However, in my opinion, she needs to cut a lot of the wordiness. I don't care that she did all the daily routines. Most are taken for granted and I find myself skipping over them. She goes into way too much detail about things that really don't affect the story. Maybe an Editor would help. The spelling and grammar etc are all fine, but the excess information gets tedious. I really do enjoy your stories and hope you will continue to write them, but I also hope you learn to cut out some of the minutia.

I like this series. However, the writing is mediocre, with too much description of things that are not important to the story. I like the characters. I have read several books in this series. One thing I do not like is that when one book is finished, you have the feeling it will be addressed in the next book. But, it is rarely mentioned, if at all, in the next book, and when a prior story is mentioned, you are left with the question of "what happened and if it was important to the main character, why is there no more information"? I would like to read more from this author but would like to see more progress in the writing.

Pros: well written, no sex or profanity, good story Cons: story lacked intensity...just plugged along like the characters but could do without the "good 'ol boy" one liners from JP. They seemed stilted.

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