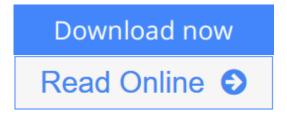


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Editorial Review

From Publishers Weekly

A bestseller and winner of multiple awards in Italy, Carofiglio's debut should please fans of American-style courtroom thrillers. A murder case presents Guido Guerrieri, the archetypal burned-out defense lawyer, with a chance at redemption. A Senegalese peddler, Abdou Thiam, is arrested for killing a nine-year-old boy, whose body was found at the bottom of a well near a coastal resort in southern Italy. Even though the police have only circumstantial evidence against Thiam, he's advised to take a plea bargain that would allow him to get off with only 20 years in prison. Guerrieri becomes convinced that his new client is the victim of racism and is being used as a scapegoat. Defying conventional wisdom and putting his own career on the line as well as Thiam's fate, Guerrieri takes the case to trial. The result is a powerful indictment of the Italian justice system. (Nov.)

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Review

A new voice, a best seller, a powerfully redemptive novel beautifully translated. -- *Daily Mail (London), August 16, 2005*

Compelling, has the audacity to reveal both a flawed legal system and debunk the myth of the macho Italian man. -- *Observer (London), May 12, 2005*

Involuntary Witness is a stunner. A courtroom drama of such rare quality. -- Times(London), August 6, 2005

Raises the standard for crime fiction. His insights into human nature-good and bad- are breathtaking. -- *Jeffery Deaver, author, July 10,2005*

About the Author

Carofiglio, born in 1961, is an anti-mafia judge in Southern Italy. He is responsible for important trials concerning organized crime, corruption and the traffic in human beings. Involuntary Witness was his first novel, now followed by two more bestsellers. A critically acclaimed translator, known for his translations of Italo Calvino, Claudio Magris and Marcello Fois.

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