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He sued and took away the mob's casino. Now they want it back .

His estranged sister is charged with murder and Thaddeus Murfee must defend. An employee is arrested for a drug crime and he must defend. Topping it all off, Thaddeus himself is charged with tax crimes—at the worst possible moment. A legal mystery all but sweeps them away.

In this fast-paced legal novel, well-known lawyer Thaddeus Murfee has everything to lose and the weight of the legal world on his shoulders. A lawyer of four years who has earned his spurs, Murfee finds himself defending three felony crimes--including his own.

His new wife has given him a daughter and he dotes on her. Then the mob comes. Legal suspense takes over and the reader is taken on a wild ride through the Nevada desert in this lawyer novel that takes you inside the operation of the Desert Riviera Casino and Hotel. Plus the reader is witness to the preparation and defense of three criminal cases. It all comes together through the terrible actions some would take against the young lawyer's family.

Thaddeus Murfee Attorney at Large is the third book in the Thaddeus Murfee series of legal thrillers. The books may be enjoyed in any order the reader wishes.

Attorney at Large Details

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Ron Barnett says

Thad at it again

Once again justice is served in a style problematic and yet drawing a well done. The 'Good Guy' developed goes back to black in the last few sentences. How will the bad guys be handled? The mob, the skimmer, the kidnapper, etc?

Nancy Steinle gummel says

Attorney at Large (Thaddeus Muffed Legal Thriller, #3) by John Ellsworth. is a fast paced action thriller. It was hard to put down. I could have read it in one seattng if I had the time. It revolves around three felony crimes and a kidnapping. The mob is angry they lost a lawsuits and had to turnover the Desert Sierra Casino and Hotel to pay the lawsuits. They wanted their money back. It took a while before they found a hitman who would take on a child. They find one in Ragman. Ragman checks out the security around Thad's girlfriend Katy Landers. He spies which room everyone is in. He sets up surveillance to get the numeric code for the home alarm system. The felony cases make an interesting sideline to the story.

Shirley says

Needs better proofreading

The book was suspenseful and fun but not quite as believable and as good as the first two. I do plan to read #4 in the series.

Don Paske says

I enjoyed this book but was disappointed in the grammar. I worked with lawyers for over 30 years. Most were very well-spoken and were excellent writers. Mr. Ellsworth doesn't use complete sentences, which bothers me very much. I was also a little disappointed in some of the courtroom "scenes" because they were not very realistic. Still, this was an entertaining read with very understated humor.

ursula gift says

Just finished Attorney At Large, John i give you your props that was a good one but I must say a little selfishly that it was too short, I could of read some more, I did think that those two boys would of found the baby, and was glad when it turned out like that, also I was so scared for Kiki but it turned out alright, I sometimes wonder about lawyers and their tactics to get a client off, I ask my 2 cousins that all the time. At the end I want Thad to find his baby snatcher, but it's okay I guess we would find out some other time. This was my first Mcfee and I loved it, Kudos John .

Sherry Studdard says

Confused

First, let me say I love reading John Ellsworth. I truly loved the Michael Gresham series. I was really starting to enjoy this series but there was a blaring inconsistency. In the first book, it spoke of Thad being in foster care and receiving survivors benefits due to his parents death. Now we find he has a sister AND a father..who it was hinted, was very wealthy. Did I miss something?

Bcoghill Coghill says

Needed some proofreading. The plot points left loose.

Dee says

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What did I like? Here we are, and Thaddeus is up to his neck in trouble. It just does not seem possible for all this bad luck to happen to one guy but heck when you sue the MOB and they decide that they are not going to stand for it then watch out!

What are you going to like? This is so full of action and drama that you will not lay this down. Besides the courtroom drama and the kidnapping of his daughter the low life that gets involved and where that will take us... wow mystery, intrigue, drama, losses, heartbreaking, twists, turns and all in one book.

William A Stussie says

Too much money.

Most of as Ellsworth's books that I have read including this one have so much money involved that it's hard to fathom.

Lawyers make good money usually, but the ones I know tell settlements as large as he uses seldom happen.

Nancy Silk says

"Legal Thriller To Amaze You"

After Murfee has taken away a Las Vegas casino from a mob boss, they want it back. Murfee's sister is charged with murder and he will defend her. One of his employees is arrested for a drug crime and Murfee will also defend him. Lastly, Thaddeus is charged with tax crimes by the IRS. How can Thaddeus retain his mental capabilities which seem to get tangled in a spider web? Awesome, captivating story to capture you. This is a wild ride you're to thrill you and take your breath away.

Apollo Hesiod says

Another good book in the series, the growing cast of characters & the twists, will be reading more from this series

Aimee says

Intense Thriller

Wow! I just finished Attorney at Large: A Legal Thriller, and the ending got a bit intense. I had to use the restroom the last 10 minutes, but I couldn't put the book down! I started reading this book early this afternoon. I finished it at 9:30pm. After this review I am starting Book 4. The ending was definitely a "whaaat!" moment. I can't wait to start where Book 3 left off.

Attorney at Large keeps inline with the rest of the series. It's like getting two books worth of suspense, intrigue and a thriller in one book. The book starts off at a great pace and keeps going the entire length of the book. John Ellsworth masterfully packs a lot in each book, but it doesn't read as a hot mess. You don't feel rushed through, but Ellsworth doesn't drag on and on or belabor a point. He really hits a happy medium in his story telling.

I still really like Thaddeus. He is a kind, flawed man in his late 20's. He has made some stupid choices, but he is loyal to those he calls a friend or loved one. For a rich man, he spreads his wealth. He is generous but shrewd when it counts.

I love the new characters introduced in this book, as well as returning ones. He picks up a genuine group of friends in his travels. He also attracts the Chicago Mob. So his life isn't all rainbows and unicorns.

Attorney at Large definitely deserves all 5 Stars!

Thomas R. says

This was the 3rd series of the Thaddeus Murfee and it was the best so far. It continues the story line with Thad still being stalked by the mob, and he meets and falls in Love with another woman, even though he has feelings for his woman back home in Illinois. The author really knows Las Vegas and the working of the casinos. Also awesome knowledge of the inner workings of the FBI and the Drug War in Mexico. Really great story and I'm looking forward to the next book.

Tere Fredericks says

Warning: Cliff-Hanger You Don't Want to Miss

Thaddeus has a lot to be thankful for. A thriving bad doctor practice in Chicago, a casino in Las Vegas that is practically minting money.

Then, just when life was fine and grand, two catastrophic events occurred. Or it seemed at the time.

These events, as bad as they are, also led him to more joy than he ever expected.

Then the final straw. One last catastrophe. The one that almost broke him. But with Thaddeus, the worse things get, the more stubborn he gets.

Three are almost three trials in this case. Two were other people, people he had come to care about. Seems that's how he's built: he cares. The almost trial is over before it began. For the first time ever, he had a judge who was interested in Thaddeus's chutzpah.

You can't help but love this man, even if you hate lawyers. Of course, if that's how feel, stop reading legal thrillers.

Again, a tautly written story that will keep your pulse racing. In this series, there is no guarantee the good guy is going to win.

This is the first cliff-hanger I have encountered in the series. Yes, it is very early in the series, but this cliff-hanger is a doozy.

Just to see how a large casino works, this is a must. Literally (again!) my jaw dropped at times, at the sheer vastness that is a casino.

For the thrill and suspense, this cannot be beat. The fact that there is a trial, a very much watched and in the news every day trial going on as I write this review, regarding some of the most important factors in this book makes it incredibly timely. I doubt Mr. Ellsworth intended for that to happen, but there it is.

A must read.

Louise Pledge says

I'm trying to read everything that Johns Ellsworth has written, and the Thaddeus Murfee books are exceptionally entertaining. Murfee is quite the character but a very good guy and even better attorney.
