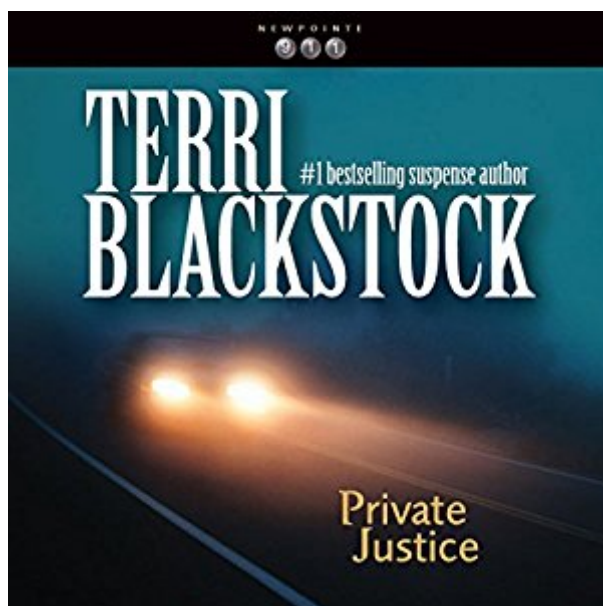


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# Private Justice: Newpointe 911 Series, Book 1



## Synopsis

Staying together had seemed impossible. Now it's their only hope. A dark shadow of fear has fallen over Newpointe, Louisiana. First one, then another of the town firemen's wives has been murdered, and a third has barely escaped an attempt on her life. Incredible as it seems, a serial killer is stalking this sleepy little southern community. And Mark Branning's wife may be next on the list. Mark is determined to protect her. But keeping Allie alive won't be easy---not with their marriage already dying a bitter death. Unless they renew their commitment to each other and to God, someone else may settle their problems ... permanently. And time to decide is running out. 'This tense and exciting thriller is more than a fabulous read; it has an underlying message about the place of religion within a marriage. Highly recommended.'---Library Journal Private Justice is book one in the Newpointe 911 series by award-winning novelist Terri Blackstock. Newpointe 911 offers taut, superbly crafted novels of faith, fear, and close-knit small-town relationships, seasoned with romance and tempered by insights into the nature of relationships, redemption, and the human heart. Look also for Shadow of Doubt, Line of Duty, Word of Honor, and Trial by Fire. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

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## Customer Reviews

Terri Blackstock has been gifted to write in a way that holds your intrigue. I rarely read any of her books without spending several late nights (12 to 1 AM) trying to see what is going to happen next. From the first sentence she has captures my attention. The events surprise me, and keep me

reading to find out what is going to happen next. Private Justice is the first book in the Newpointe Series, and I felt the hopelessness of the husband, who was arrested for his wife's murder, the frustration of the detective trying to make sure he did what was right even if he had to arrest his friend. I recommend her books to anyone who enjoys reading a "can't put it down" book. In addition to the story line, she weaves in Bible truths that hit home. Her books make me want to spend more time in the Bible, and tell others about how much Jesus loves them and wants a relationship with them.

I just read this on my kindle. As a Christian I wasn't put off by the "warnings" that some Christian lit gets. However, I was put off by the sections that were just plain preachy, and not woven into the story well. I believe that God belongs in every portion of our lives, but this author is clumsy in her integration. The marital issues don't provide any clarity as both Allie and Mark are missing the point. The book doesn't utilize the potential to illustrate how a troubled marriage could be strengthened without a life threatening incident. The voice of Nick could have been so useful but his lack of confidence overshadows the good he could do. I like the plot. I came to like a number of the characters. I just wanted to take a red pencil to the whole thing and tighten it up.

I awarded this story five stars because it was written by a pro. She took an idea and turned it into a five star ordeal. Terri Blackstock's story was about firemen and their families and what a strong bond they have within the community. We began calling our firemen heroes after 911 devastated our country in 2001 by a terrorist attack in the United States. So many firemen lost their lives trying to get people out of the Twin Towers in Manhattan. It seriously pointed out how firemen worked so hard and so many sadly gave so much in helping so many who did make it out in time. She made so many characters come alive in this story called "Private Justice". I enjoyed reading it quickly because there was so much action, I just wanted to find out how many survived. Serial killers have so many reasons why they do what they do and this story took an in depth look at attitudes, feelings, and friendships. I recommend this book if you want something you can't put down. This story is also about lying, admitting the truth to oneself and others, seeking forgiveness, and repenting. It is a great love story, teaching truths about God's love, and not about God's punishment as some thought.

I love Terri Blackstock. This book was definitely an excellent read. I'm looking forward to finishing the series!

I have read lots of Terri's books. Have liked this one best. Just bought it for a friend's birthday. Have recommended it to many. It is a "must read".

I had never read any of Terri Blackstock books. I have enjoyed this book and sure will enjoy the ones to come in this series. I feel she keeps one on the edge trying to figure 'whodunit'. She is a Christian writer but does not push or preach the message. She puts a few words in the context so you get it or don't. All and all, I am looking forward reading all the books in the series. She continues with the characters in each book so will be fun to read and see what happens to each in #5 book. enjoy!!

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I liked the book. It made for an interesting reading. I liked the idea and the bold chances the killer took to execute his plan. There were some interesting surprises throughout the narrative. New people being killed and new bold moves by the killer. It was almost unbelievable the risks the killer took to execute his plan. I felt however that the author did not do a good job developing the police investigation. First on a high profile serial killer investigation, they left the only detective from a small town handle the whole investigation. Once they realized the killer was targeting wives of firefighters there was no mention of any attempt to try to connect the firefighters in any way. Was there anything that linked them? The killer shot all his victims with a 38 gun. When the detective finds out that one of the suspects had a 38 gun, why in the world he did not check to see it was the same gun? In addition the suspect breaks in the house of one of the victims and when surprised by the detective he tells a very weak story explaining his actions. Only after everybody knows the identity of the killer, does the detective remember to check the story the suspect told about how he got the keys to the house. So overall it was a good reading. However if you are looking for a book with strong police investigation I recommend you look elsewhere.

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