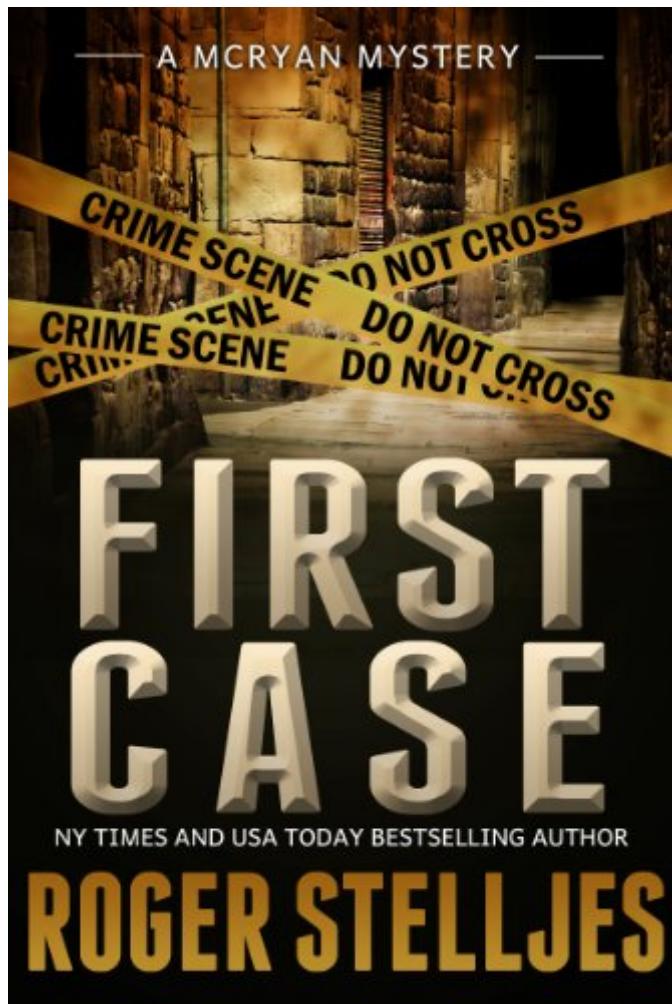


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# FIRST CASE: Murder Alley - Crime Thriller (Mac McRyan Mystery Series)



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## Customer Reviews

I read this story after reading the first two that Roger Stelljes had written. I found the most recent book (Deadly Stillwater) and discovered in the description that it was the second book, so I looked for the first (The St. Paul Conspiracy) and found it, and bought both for my Kindle Fire at the same time. After reading those two, I was hooked and then found the Prequel. I also read it in a single sitting. Roger has an excellent character in MacRyan and has a writing style that just draws you into the action. I really hope these are just the beginning of a long publishing run.

I found this a really easy read. The characters were well drawn and the plot moves along at a good steady pace. Having read a few books by this author, I find the reading very relaxing with a touch of light humour so there is not darkness pervading the plot. Would recommend this as a good light read.

The story of McRyan's first case was thrilling. This book gave you insight to McRyan's personal life while keeping the focus on the murder mystery. I couldn't put it down...read the entire story in one

sitting!

Roger Stelljes brings you back to the start of Detective Mac McRyan's career and keeps you engrossed with page-turning suspense as Mac solves the back alley murder of a lawyer while dealing with issues in his own life. While it isn't necessary to read this novella prior to enjoying Stelljes' novels "The St. Paul Conspiracy" and "Deadly Stillwater" it does give you a nice background on McRyan. Looking forward to the next McRyan mystery...

The only think I did not like about this novel ... is that IT'S TOO SHORT!!!! I wanted more and more when I started reading it. When I ended it I went right back into Kindle Store and purchased The St. Paul Conspiracy, which I'm reading and loving it right now. Very good characters - the way I liked them: a bit flawed because that makes them human; the dialogue is clear and to the point; the plot is excellent and not at all predictable. So... get it and enjoy good three hours of pleasure with an author that - although new to me - you may have heard of without having read him. After "St. Paul" I plan to get all the other books that I've seen in Kindle by him.

What a great story! Mac is proving to be a cops cop. With skills handed down through watching his father be the best cop/detective on the force and his years of law school he is destined to be unstoppable! Mr. Stelljes character and scene building are spectacular, you will find yourself personally involved before you know it. I'm so glad I ordered the whole set of Mac mysteries (based solely on the written reviews), I can't wait to start the next one! See folks, your written reviews really do matter!

I truly enjoyed this book. I read this one first and went back and got the other 2 McRyan series books.

With baseball season approaching, I couldn't help but use a bit of baseball hyperbole. Roger Stelljes is simply one of the new writers who can apparently keep bringing it to print in a way that makes me want to keep on reading. I admit that I've probably not read all of his novels yet, but I hope to do so very soon. This writer is in that class of writer that was a rarity in the past generation, but their ranks seem to be growing in this new group, like CG Cooper, Joseph Flynn, Toni Dwiggins, and Nick Stephenson. They are excellent at plot and character development - which in the past was one or the other but not always both - and they keep readers on the edges of their seats, while things go sideways, at times. Best trait of all is that they write as if they're sitting in the room, telling you the

story; not reading it to you, but relating it as if this is what happened not too long ago. I realize this is a very subjective review and I do apologize if not everyone has the same reaction to Roger's writing. I have, and have yet to find a clunker in the batch of his novels. Part of the attraction for me is also the steamroller effect on me, in that I simply hate to put the novels down. While so far, I have yet to be late for an appointment, I fear that it will happen soon. And I have no interest in having my computer, Windows phone, or iPad read these novels to me. I can hear the words in my head - I live in my own world, but they know me there - and that's the story-telling effect I've mentioned. Try any one of Mr. Stelljes' novels; you won't be disappointed. BTW, I'm not going to apologize for not telling you anything about the plotline; that would require a number of spoiler alerts ... Enjoy!

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