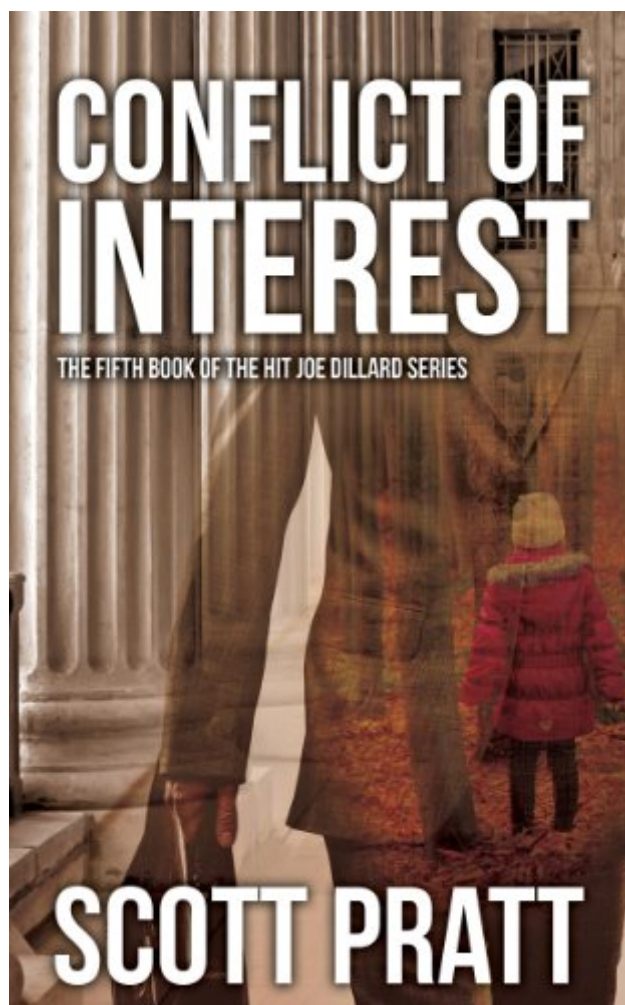


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Synopsis

A six-year-old girl is kidnapped from her bed in Tennessee's oldest town. The ransom note demands millions. In this fifth installment of the highly-acclaimed and bestselling Joe Dillard series, Dillard is hired to represent the parents of a child who has gone missing. As the clock ticks, Dillard desperately tries to find the little girl, but the return of his wife's dreaded disease and the stunning appearance of his father combine to push Dillard to his emotional limit. "I have grown to love Joe Dillard." - Janet Lindsay "This author has created a cast of characters and a protagonist so real they virtually jump off the page." - Mark Rubenstein

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Customer Reviews

When I decided to read the Scott Pratt series of five books starring Joe Dillard, I ordered them in order so I could begin at the beginning! The first book was wonderful; the second, third, and fourth also gripping. As I read the 5th book in the series I did so with trepidation, not knowing when I would have the chance to follow Joe Dillard again. Joe is a noble man--an attorney who has been on both sides of the courtroom as a criminal attorney. In the first book he is defending a truly INNOCENT

client. Then he becomes disillusioned with criminal defense and decides to join the District Attorney's office. He's equally good from that standpoint, as well, but politics rears its ugly head and takes the shine off that line of work! Joe Dillard is noble, vulnerable, loyal, decisive, sometimes he acts before he thinks things through--but he is just a great character. Entirely devoted to and in love with his wife of more than 20 years, Joe suffers as much as his beloved Caroline as she fights a terrible battle against the breast cancer that has invaded her body and, indeed, her marriage and her life. The Joe Dillard series is gripping. I managed to read all five books in about one week (and only stopped when my Kindle ran out of juice)--didn't do much other stuff that I should have been doing; but I would do it all over again if there were five MORE books in the series. I read all the time; love mysteries and thrillers, adore books with lots of legal angles and courtroom drama. I can not even begin to say how much I love this series of books. Scott Pratt is a marvelous writer who knows his legal stuff, has created a character who is tough, mean-as-a-snake when need be; and gentle as a kitten in his relationship with his wife and his children. READ THIS SERIES OF BOOKS and read them all in order if possible. You will not regret it. Scott Pratt holds his audience in the palm of his hand and his audience loves it!

I have enjoyed all of the Joe Dillard books. I enjoyed this one too but not as much as the first 4 books. The writing is good and the story is fast paced but like a few of the other reviewers I found the end to be a bit sudden and predictable. Personally I found the section about Dillard's father to be out of place with no real meaning to the story line, implausible and a bit distracting to the main plot. I think it was just to fill space in the book. Otherwise Scott Pratt has kept me entertained again and I am looking forward to the next installment in the Dillard series.

I hated the book ended. Write faster Scott Pratt. Once again four thumbs up. I liked the author's moral and ethical standards. They jump out at you. Live a good life, bad things can happen, but your moral beliefs will keep you on track and all will be okay. Will there be a Book 6? If there is, I will be the first to read it. Great story line. Good read.

This is the fifth book in a series of legal thrillers. I enjoyed the read, although able to predict the end with some degree of accuracy, primarily because the characters have become familiar. Reading these novels in order is recommended. You won't be disappointed. My star rating is due to the predictability of the outcome. The first and third novels of the series are of such a high caliber that it is difficult to lose the final-page twists in this book.

I am so hooked on the Scott Pratt Joe Dillard series.. I know he is working on #6 and I can't wait. I enjoy reading the characters that continue through each book. I used to live in the East TN area and being able to visualize the Jonesborough area, Newport, Morristown and other towns between there and Knoxville and places he mentions and where I have been puts me right in the middle of the action. TOTALLY LOVE IT!!!! Definitely a fan for life now.....

I love Joe Dillard. This is the second book of read of the series I've read. Wish I would have read them in order but they are complete stories and can be read alone. This time Joe's looking for a missing 6 year old little girl. Some twists and lots of action. I will definitely read the rest of the series and hope Scott has plans to add some more with this character. This book was so good I read it in one day. Just could not put it down. Highly recommend. It is done without the use of foul language or over the top sex scenes which I appreciate.

Same characters I've come to enjoy as in the first four books - liking the secondary character Sheriff Bates even more so given his humorous quips. I thought having Dillard feel like a failure at times and be not so infallible added some needed depth to his character that was somewhat lacking in book 4. My only big problem was poorer formatting in my copy causing run-on sentences that made it sometimes harder to parse whom was speaking which line of dialogue resulting in my backing up occasionally to keep it straight. Having given the prior book "Injustice For All" a 3-star rating I'd bump this one up to 3.5 stars with hopes that the sequel "Blood Money" will be better still (and formatting will not be an issue!)

This is the 3rd book I have read in the Joe Dillard series. I really enjoyed An Innocent Client. I liked In Good Faith. I think Conflict of Interest is below standard for Scott Pratt. Much is a rehash and some is predictable. I didn't find the plot compelling or suspenseful. There is the usual stereotyped law enforcement officer who has is inflexible and out to nail the accused regardless of other exculpatory evidence. Nor did I buy the resolution. In short, it was just okay for me dawg.

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