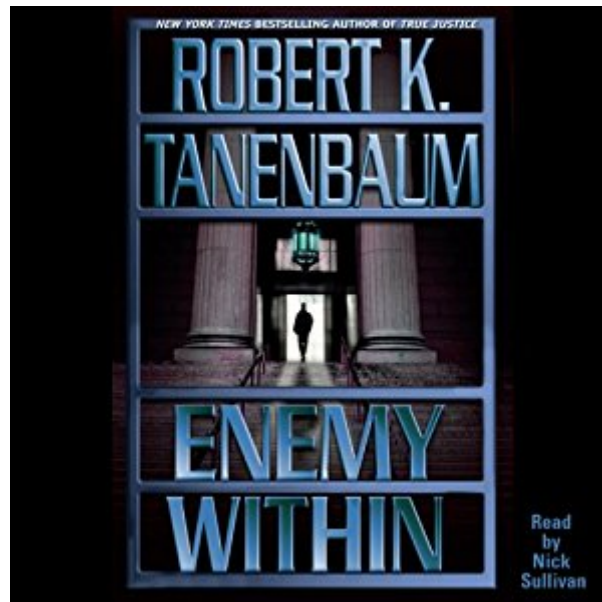


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# Enemy Within



## Synopsis

When a black man is shot multiple times in the back on the streets of New York by an NYPD golden boy, chaos erupts throughout the city. And in an election year no one feels the pressure more than the men and women who vow to protect and to serve. For Butch Karp - Chief Assistant District Attorney for New York County - bullet holes aren't the only holes in this volatile case. Add a serial killer who is murdering the homeless to Karp's daily grind, and it's clear he is surrounded by high-profile time bombs that are promising to blow the city to its core. On the home front, the company Karp's wife - Marlene - works for has gone public. Marlene starts drinking to weather the storm. To make matters worse, his daughter - Lucy - is skipping school to feed the homeless not far from where the slasher stalks his prey. Desperate to stop the violence before it touches his family, Karp must wade through a system of corruption and conspiracy that threatens to silence his pursuit of the truth...forever.

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## Customer Reviews

"Enemy Within" is Robert Tanenbaum's thirteenth novel in the Butch Karp-Marlene Ciampi series. Butch is now the Chief Assistant District Attorney for Manhattan. Marlene is working for a private security firm that is about to trade its stock publicly and she is happily contemplating the prospect of becoming enormously wealthy. Butch, meanwhile, is knee-deep in an investigation of corruption in the police department that is also tainting the District Attorney's office. Butch's boss, Jack Keegan, is facing a tough election, and Keegan would prefer that Butch turn a blind eye to certain questionable cases that are passing through the system. However, being the white knight that he is,

Butch feels compelled to investigate a police shooting that is not what it seems, as well as the murder of an unarmed homeless man by a woman who claims that she acted in self-defense. Tanenbaum presents a large and colorful cast of characters, from a group of wretched and pathetic homeless men and women to Marlene Ciampi herself. Marlene goes berserk after she is involved in a shooting and, at the same time, she discovers that she has millions of dollars to spend. She becomes an alcoholic and a shopaholic and her behavior is both outrageous and terrifying. Butch and Marlene's daughter, Lucy, is now seventeen and she is as rebellious and unhappy as ever. She cuts school regularly to visit, feed and nurture the homeless and she is also suffering the pangs of her love for an "older man". Tanenbaum wisely brings back characters from his previous novels for cameo appearances. Roland Hrcany, Guma, and V. T. Newbury (each a former or present colleague of Butch) add spice to the novel as they help to move the plot along.

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