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As the case unfolds, a shadowy firm, Horizon Finance, sees a golden opportunity to profit by seizing the Mind's Eye and auctioning it to intelligence services around the world. And Horizon will stop at nothing—not even murder—to succeed. As the danger escalates, Mike and Jo feel the heat of a mutual attraction. But when Mike's loyal paralegal, Val, uncovers evidence that could blow the case apart, Mike realizes he stands to lose much more than just a verdict.

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Louise Wilson says

Mike Webster an attorney in San Fransisco. He has never lost any medical-malpractice cases. His stellar reputation is tested when he agrees to defend Dr. Johanna Anderson who is a brilliant psychologist.

Johanna stands accused of failing in the death of Seth Bell who was a senators son. She was using a revolutionary technology-assisted therapy called Minds Eye. The controversial technique probes into what the patients are thinking and whether they are telling the truth. So why did it not detect that Seth was suicidal.

Horizon Finance sees a golden opportunity to sell the Minds Eye to intelligence services around the world and they will stop at nothing to succeed.

This is a good courtroom drama. It's well written plot is a page turning twist filled drama that will have you guessing to the end.

I would like to thank NetGalley, Waterfall Press and the author Rick Acker for my ARC in exchange for an honest review.

Michelle Christensen says

This is a legal suspense thriller written by a Christian author who is also a practicing attorney. The book was clean. The ending was well-done with the characters facing real consequences. At the same time, they all found hope and moved forward. I learned some things about preparing for trials and the work that an attorneys' office does before a case ever goes to court. Christianity was a quiet part of the main book but played big role in the last chapter, which was fitting, and I like it. I really like this author and will read other books of his.

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Tracy T. says

Interesting book, okay narration by Alexander Cendese. (audible review)

This was an interesting story. A legal medical suspense book. I really enjoyed the characters. There was good character development.

Story line and plot was good. I liked the twists and turns the story took. Kept you listening and wondering what was going to happen next.

Not really a romance but there was some attraction going on between Jo and Mike. There was a little bit of religion but it was not loaded down with it.

As for the narration, I really enjoyed Alexander Cendense except on the female voices, he needs to work on that for sure. He has a nice reading voice.

This was a free read free listen with KU so it was totally worth it.

Jessica Higgins says

A combination of a legal and psychological thriller, the perfect read for anyone wanting a book that will keep them on the edge of their seat.

Mike Webster has built his legal practice winning medical-malpractice cases. His reputation is outstanding but his faith is put to the test when he defends Dr. Johanna Anderson. Dr. Anderson is a psychologist that has been accused of killing a senator's son, whom she was treating with her revolutionary technology called the Mind's Eye. She has been able to look into a patient's mind and see what they are thinking and feeling to determine if they are telling the truth. If her technology is as good as she says it is, it should have been able to prevent the suicide of Seth Bell. The case becomes more and more complicated as the financial firm Horizon Finance wants to take control of her technology and is willing to do anything in order to get what they want. As things intensify, Mike and Jo feel a mutual attraction towards each other that can't be denied. Mike's paralegal digs deeper and finds evidence that could change the case and Mike's personal feelings as well.

Death in the Mind's Eye is the best kind of book, explosive drama with twists that will keep the reader engaged and guessing until the final page. Rick Acker uses his legal expertise to put on the page everything needed to make an exceptional read. The combination of the legal drama and the psychological aspect brought the book to a whole new level. Mike and Jo had a relationship that progressed nicely and had a natural arc to it. I enjoyed the pace of the book, the chapters were short and concise going back and forth with several different viewpoints that provided a depth to the story it would have been lacking had it stayed in one point of view. With the way the world is going and technology advancing, the use of a machine such as this is very believable. There could have been more depth in the technology part but it would have taken the book in a different direction, I liked the way Acker stayed with the legal drama. It can be hard to make a legal thriller very thrilling, I know a few authors who have been able to do it and I am now adding Acker to that list. I highly recommend this book to readers that are looking for an edge of their seat thriller with a deep connection to the characters you want to cheer for.

I received a complimentary copy of this book from the publisher. The views and opinions expressed within are my own.

Cara Putman says

Legal suspense takes a deft hand and a quick plot to satisfy the most-discerning reader. Death in the Mind's Eye does exactly that with a riveting, page-turner, twist-filled plot that kept me guessing until the end. With Death in the Mind's Eye, Rick Acker joins the list of skilled, must-read legal authors like John Grisham and Randy Singer.

Lisa says

This is one of the most unique stories I've read/listened to. This author is amazing! It's not just another legal thriller. It's also just as much a medical thriller. I felt like the author was also a psychologist. The characters are so well developed. I felt like I knew them personally. It was a really fast paced read with lots of twists and turns. Several times I found myself rewinding to see if I heard it correctly. I was blown away! This is one lawyer that needs to write full time! Imagine going to a psychologist and being placed into an FMRI machine that can also see into your mind in a way and tell if you're lying or have stress and other problems. The character in the book is able to do this, along with a little hypnosis. If this technology can cure some criminals you know it would be a big sought after item for pharmaceutical companies and even some shady characters that could use it to plant ideas in your head. But when a patient commits suicide, the blame would be pointed at the psychologist running it. This is what occurs in the book. Attorney Mike Webster is hired to defend her. I would've never guessed the outcome of this book. I'm so bad to cheat but this is one that if you cheat, it will ruin it.

If you're listening to the audiobook, you will love the narrator. He has the best voice and does the characters so well. It gives them an authentic feel.

Michelle Kidwell says

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I am voluntarily reviewing a copy of Death In The Mind's Eyes through the publisher and Netgalley.

Death is a woman is the powerful opening to Death In the Mind's Eye.

Mike Webster is a powerful San Francisco attorney who doesn't loose medical malpractice cases but this will be put to the test along with his faith when he is asked to defend Doctor Johanna Anderson, a brilliant and beautiful psychologist who is accused of failing to prevent the death of a Senator's Son, Seth Bell.

Will Mike Webster be able to win this case, or will it prove to be too much, will he die trying?

I give Death in the Mind's Eyes five out of five stars.

Happy Reading

Carol says

This was an emotional (the death of Johanna's patient Seth Bell, for he committed suicide), experimental (mind's eye was an experimental technological therapeutic assisting machine to help psychologist tell if patients are telling the truth), financial gain (Horizon Finance wants to sell mind's eye to the intelligence agency), legality (Mike is the attorney for Johanna because The father-Senator- of Seth Bell is suing Johanna, Seth's psychologist, for not being able to tell that he was suicidal). Who wins? What happens with mind's eye? What happens with Mike? What happens with Johanna? Let me tell you this folks there is a mind blowing - goose bump chillin - plot twisting ending. You will not regret your decision to buy. I received a copy of that book in exchange for an honest review.

Heather says

I received this book via the Goodreads Giveaway program. This did not influence my review

I was super excited to receive this book. The description intrigued me, and I was eager to see what would transpire. The author did not disappoint.

The plot has many twists and turns that were logical and fit well with the overall story arch. I liked Jo, I liked Mike, I liked Val.

The chapters are quite short and each features the perspective of one character. Most of the book is story-driven rather than character driven. The reader is given all of the information needed so the plot twists are true surprises.

Occasionally, we don't get to hear or see details, which is slightly annoying. For example, we know two characters have a conversation, but the author only says they discuss the details and that's it. It works, but it's not my favorite way to tell stories.

The last five percent of the book is an afterward. Normally I wouldn't like something like this, but in this case, it made me enjoy Mike's character even more. I felt like the afterward really settled any uncertainty with this character and was a great way to end the book.

Readers who like mysteries and good plot twists will enjoy this book. It's also a quick read.

Marcia says

Excellent courtroom drama

This was a joy to read. It had the right amount of courtroom drama and witness processing. The outcome was surprising, but tied up all the "loose ends"!

Jennifer says

The wonders of technology and medicine, or is it?

As in the book, people greet this new technology with excitement and hope but it's dependent on those using it. Human emotion can always get in the way of sound judgement. Great plot twists.

I won this on a goodreads.com giveaway.

Carrie Schmidt (Reading is My SuperPower) says

4.5 stars TOP PICK

Karen Whittard says

I love the front cover of this book. It grabbed me and made me intrigued about what I would find inside.

I wasn't disappointed.

Mike Webster is an attorney living in San Francisco. His reputation is legendary. He has never lost a medical malpractice case ever.

Mike's stellar reputation is put into question when psychologist Dr Johanna Anderson comes to Mike for help.

After using a revolutionary eye treatment on a senator's son. The treatment called Mind's Eye probes into what patients are thinking and feeling. It can tell whether you are lying or telling the truth. But it fails to notice one important thing about the senator's son's mental state.

When the senator's son commits suicide Johanna gets into trouble for not picking it up before it happened.

Sadly a corporation called Horizon Finances have noticed that the Mind's Eye could be a lucrative money maker. They don't care if it's dangerous or does what it's supposed to or how the treatment affects anyone. They just want to sell it to the intelligence service for a high price to make them rich.

This is a great book with high drama, characters you will like and some you won't, many twists and turns and an ending you might not guess until it happens.

Great read for anyone who likes thriller suspense novels.

Thank you to NetGalley, author Rick Acker and publisher Waterfall Press for the opportunity to read this book for an honest review.

Susan Angela Wallace says

Death in the minds eye by Rick Acker is a general fiction (adult) and religion and spirituality read. San Francisco attorney Mike Webster does not lose medical-malpractice cases. But his stellar reputation and faith are put to the test when he agrees to defend Dr. Johanna Anderson, a brilliant and beautiful psychologist. Jo is accused of failing to prevent the death of Seth Bell, a senator's son she was treating with a revolutionary technology-assisted therapy called the Mind's Eye. The controversial technique provides insights into what patients are thinking and feeling and determines whether they're telling the truth—so why didn't it detect that Seth was suicidal?

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OMG this was a fantastic read with brilliant characters. I just couldn't put it down. Completely hooked from the start. Full of twists. And what a twist. I loved Mike. He was my favourite character. Wasn't sure on val. But she grew on me. I loved the ending too. Perfect. 5*. This is a must read and I would highly recommend this book. I voluntarily reviewed an advanced copy of this book from netgalley.

Teresa Christensen says

I thoroughly enjoyed reading this book. It was continually fast-paced and suspense-filled and pulled me in from the very beginning and held my interest until I completed it. I thought the plot line was very original for a legal story and was one of those books that you just want to continue because you enjoy the way the author writes.
