

Mortal Verdict

By Gina Cox

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When the world seems wrong, you make it right by any means necessary. At least, that's what one woman believes. MORTAL VERDICT is the story of an average woman whose misguided judgments result in a deadly course of events. Neither heroine nor villain, both victim and violent aggressor, she struggles with love, faith and redemption as she is stricken with tragedy. Like many, she teeters daily on the edge. The difference is that she's pushed over and she becomes capable of acts that are shocking.

In her mind, this woman has the courage to do what others fear. And in her mind, a battle wages between virtuosity and depravity. But, her actions will cause the ultimate devastation. Based on real situations and extensive research, MORTAL VERDICT presents thought-provoking commentary drawn in part from the author's life experiences and reflections on gentrification and common social issues. References to current and historical facts bring settings and characters to life; the dialog is graphic at times, but authentic. In MORTAL VERDICT, a quest for revenge becomes a warped attempt to control the uncontrollable—resulting in madness, immorality and murder.

Gina Cox was born and raised in New York City. She is a certified English instructor and has been acknowledged in the award-winning *Literary Divas: The Top 100 Most Admired African-American women in Literature*. The 2007 Benjamin Franklin Awards says: "This author has a LOT of energy. Great voice!" Gina has completed over 300 semester hours of psychology and behavioral science-related subjects; she is also trained in Violence Prevention, Identifying Child Abuse and Maltreatment, ESL methodologies and Health Education. The Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture describes her writing as: Arresting... Entertaining... Well Written and Fast Paced." Her interviews have aired on C-SPAN, ABC, NBC, CBS and BET nightly news. She is a member of the Authors Guild and lives on the Upper West Side of Manhattan.

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