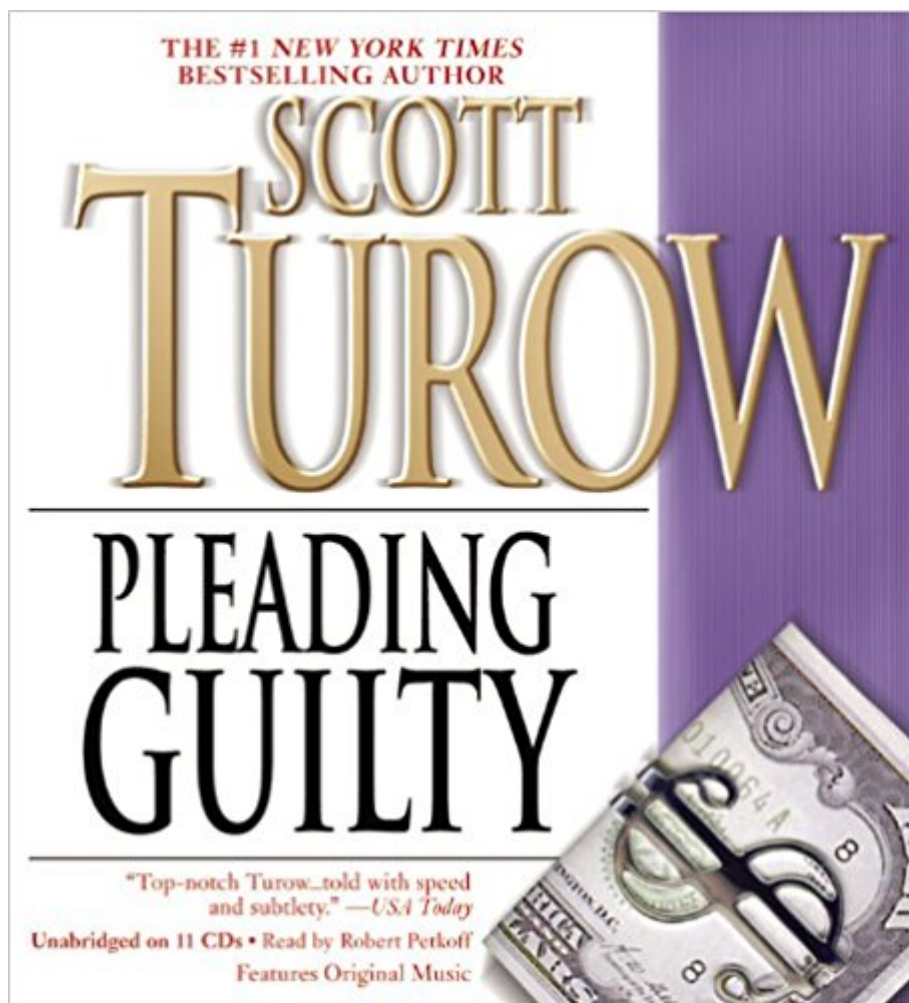


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# Pleading Guilty



## Synopsis

An ex-cop partner at a high-powered law firm tracks the firm's star litigator, who has disappeared with \$5 million of a client's money.

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## Customer Reviews

Murder, embezzlement, bookmaking, offshore banking, and the politics of a high-powered law firm supply varying shades of corruption as Turow ( Presumed Innocent ; The Burden of Proof ) returns to Kindle County in this wise, surefooted legal thriller. World-weary attorney Mack Malloy, 50-ish ex-cop and recovering alcoholic, is the protagonist and narrator. Despite humiliating annual pay cuts, Mack plods on at Gage & Griswell, nearing the end of his usefulness. When another partner in the firm disappears, along with several million dollars, Mack is assigned the difficult and potentially dangerous job of discreetly discovering his whereabouts. During a one-month time span, Mack dictates his account onto six tapes corresponding to the book's chapters. It is an engaging, street-wise narrative full of plain talk and homespun philosophy, as well as a candid account of the behind-the-scenes workings of a powerful law firm. Though every element of the novel is polished and professional, the charisma of Mack's narration is its triumph. Add that to a taut, twist-filled plot, expert pacing, colorful and well-rendered supporting characters, and an appealing whiff of larceny, and Turow surpasses Grisham hands down. 875,000 first printing; Franklin Library First Edition; BOMC and QPB main selection; paperback to Warner; author tour. Copyright 1993 Reed Business Information, Inc. --This text refers to the Hardcover edition.

Mr. Turow's prose is powerful ... a tough, vivid urban poetry, singing of ambition and corruption.... an arresting performance. The New York Times Though every element of the novel is polished and professional, the charisma of Mack's narration is its triumph. Add that to a taut, twist-filled plot, expert pacing, colorful and well-rendered supporting characters, and an appealing whiff of larceny, and Turow surpasses Grisham hands down. Publishers Weekly His legions of fans surely won't miss the chance to see Turow as they've never seen him before. Kirkus Reviews --This text refers to the Hardcover edition.

i am an unexpected fan of legal thrillers. a soldier by trade, i still enjoy the masterful way s.t. bares for us all the panoply of human frailty, triumph, intimate emotion & and reflection. please excuse any spelling errors.

Not his best. But he's still an excellent writer. I would give this 3.75 stars if I could.

Turow has always developed his characters splendidly and this is no exception. Sometimes, though, I wished he would get on with the plot instead of the long explanations of human nature (which, admittedly, is food for thought.) Mack's dark wit is hilarious and entertaining. And the whodunit at the end caught me by surprise. I will also have to admit that as someone who has always been a loyal and hard worker but has been looked over and unappreciated, I enjoyed how he eventually raided his company of millions and got away with it. But I never had the opportunity or the nerve. Not five stars only because The Burden of Proof is still one of my favorites. Well, on to the next Turow novel.

Oh my goodness, this book was as slow as molasses. The only reason I was able to finish it was due to dogged persistence. I have previously read two other Scott Turow books which I absolutely loved!! So, I was very much looking forward to this one--but no dice. Whew...I'm just glad it's over.

This is a great book!! I had just finished his most recent book and felt like I wanted to read some more of his work. This was an excellent choice. If you enjoy Scott Turow's work you will enjoy this book!!

Hated it. Rambles on and on.

First I would not recommend the book. From my stand point there wasn't any real central theme unless the intent was to describe the different personalities within a law firm.

Forget your Jason Borne, Jack Ryan, etc. Mack Malloy is all they are not. He has more fallibilities than virtues. And yet he's the hero of "Pleading Guilty." He never gets ahead of the story line and always seems on the verge of losing everything, including the girl. Mack is no do-gooder, always pushing the boundaries of decency and the law to stumble through the case, barely fending off his former cop partner. The author is a master of analogy and never misses an opportunity to describe scenes in visual-inspiring detail.

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