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Two Chilling Thrillers Hit Close to Home

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Within the literary genre of thrillers, the most terrifying tales are those based in reality—those works of fiction that portray chilling scenarios that could actually happen in real-life. If you are among the millions of American's who crave this type of thrill ride of a read, then you will love two new titles coming out of Westchester County this July. New York Times best-selling author Andrew Gross of Purchase will release his sixteenth thriller, 15 Seconds, while lawyer-turned-author Andy Siegel of Bedford Hills will release his first novel, Suzy's Case.

Both Gross and Siegel drew from their own real-life experiences to write their new novels. Both thrillers are deliciously scary and too close to reality for comfort.

Suzy's Case

Andy Siegel began writing *Suzy's Case* because he was tired of the way the media always poked fun of his profession. In *Suzy's Case*, he felt he had an important message about personal injury law as well as a compelling story to tell.

"Any scene you've ever viewed in a movie or on television shows a guy in a neck brace, a scammer of the system. I get it and appreciate its humor, too, but I specialize in injury cases involving traumatic brain insult. Real people whose lives have been tragically altered in a nano-second of inattention," Siegel said.

Suzy's Case is the first of a series that will feature the street-smart, imaginative and fearless justice seeker Tug Wyler. Set in Westchester and Brooklyn, Tug is a medical malpractice lawyer who is drawn into a case concerning a tragically brain-damaged 6-year-old girl.

Passionately committed to winning justice for the brave little girl and her beautiful mother, Tug becomes embroiled in wild, unpredictable and violent scenarios all while he unravels the maze of secrets behind what really happened.

The novel is full of a quirky cast well developed characters. Siegel said Tug is a character who comes straight from the heart. "He does and says things I only wish I had the bravery to do and say. Sometimes I act on my impulses during the course of a heated litigation, but I well understand that such breaches are usually followed by judicial admonishment," Siegel said.

This thriller is a page turner that you won't want to put down until the very end.