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Editorial Review

From [Booklist](#)

Here's what seems to be a winning combination: a popular and accomplished novelist, a likable hero, and two themes of overwhelming importance. The result? Readers will likely turn the last page and wonder what went wrong. The main plot involves assisted suicide. A woman jailed for murder wants to be killed and have her heart given to her dying daughter. Officialdom resists, so the case must go to court. Next, computers. They control everything, so someone controlling them can crash an airplane, burn a car, and melt down a nuclear-power plant. All these things—and more—happen here. The plots converge midbook, when Jamie Wagner, the lawyer hired by the prisoner who wants to die, finds himself battling a crazed computer maven. The wisecracking Wagner would be fine in a different novel, but here—in a book dealing with such portentous matters—he's the wrong man. When things grow ominous, he jokes about his hatred of work and lack of ambition, scuttling the tone and keeping the reader distant from the plot. A good character and a gripping story, but they simply don't mix. Stick with Rosenfelt, though; he can write, despite this misstep. -- Don Crinklaw

Review

Praise for David Rosenfelt

"David Rosenfelt's series, featuring wisecracking Paterson attorney Andy Carpenter, is two parts John Grisham and one part Dave Barry. . . . More murders and plot twists advance the story to an exciting conclusion involving homeland security, making this the best, most complex legal thriller in the series." ---*The Star-Ledger* on *One Dog Night*

"A blessed anomaly in crime fiction . . . Andy is like a gulp of cold water on a steamy day. . . . Rosenfelt peels back the layers of puzzlement ever so skillfully, tantalizing us throughout until, finally, both Andy and the reader are enlightened simultaneously. A gem." ---*Booklist* (starred review) on *One Dog Night*

"An absolutely irresistible hook . . . No one who picks up this greased-lightning account will rest till it's finished." ---*Kirkus Reviews* (starred review) on *On Borrowed Time*

"Dynamite thriller . . . Rosenfelt's sly humor, breathless pacing, and terrific plot twists keep the pages spinning toward the showdown on New Year's Eve in Times Square." ---*Publishers Weekly* (starred review) on *Down to the Wire*

"[Rosenfelt] has pulled together a cynical political thriller that rings true in this age of terrorism, media hype, and Washington scandals." ---*Minneapolis Star Tribune* on *Don't Tell a Soul*

"This fast-paced and brightly written tale spins along. . . . *Don't Tell a Soul* is a humdinger." ---*St. Louis Post-Dispatch* on *Don't Tell a Soul*

From the Back Cover

A CAREER CASE

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A FAMILY TORN

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A TRIAL BY FIRE

With Sheryl on suicide watch, Jamie's only shot at saving Karen is to reopen the murder case, prove Sheryl's innocence, and get her freed so that she can pursue her own plan. And time is running out...

"Rosenfelt has earned his crime-novelist pedigree."?Entertainment Weekly

Users Review

From reader reviews:

Christopher Milbrandt:

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