**TWICE A VICTIM – SYNOPSIS**

TWICE A VICTIM is a heartbreaking homicide case that brings together unlikely allies to try to save a distraught mother charged with murdering her own infant son from a fate she does not deserve.

Frank Bravo is a criminal defense lawyer (who reads sort of like Michael Connelly’s Mickey Haller character). Frank’s latest client, a Samoan immigrant named Kala Tausinga is charged with killing the 16 month old son she had with another man during a brief time when she was separated from her abusive husband. But then her community and church essentially force her to reunite with her husband.

Frank uncovers evidence that it was Kala’s husband Afa Tausinga who killed the child in a fit of jealous rage. But Kala has barely survived an abusive marriage and is so frightened of Afa that she’ll risk life in prison rather than testify against him. Frank will need to call on all his twenty years’ experience to clear Kala and make sure the right person pays for the crime. But Afa isn’t going down without a fight.

As a victim advocate it is the job of Mia Montes to help the prosecution in the case against Kala. But eventually Mia comes to believe Kala is innocent and Mia risks her own career to help Kala get through her trial and help her find the courage to testify.

But as the trial continues and Afa remains at large, Mia begins to fear for Kala’s life. Having survived her own abusive past, Mia knows that justice doesn’t always prevail in the court system. And Mia knows that even if Kala is found innocent, Kala may never be free of the man who now wants her dead. So, Mia seeks out the help of The Sisterhood, a secret band of vigilantes dishing out justice for women who can’t find it in a court of law. Mia gets some help and training from The Sisterhood, but emergency circumstances require that she herself must save Kala. Mia struggles greatly with the morality of seeking justice outside of the law that she has always upheld, but in the end she makes the choice to kill Afa. She saves Kala and joins The Sisterhood as an avenger of injustice.