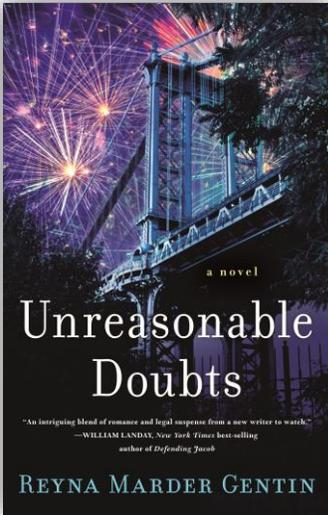


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**REYNA MARDER GENTIN** grew up in Great Neck, New York. She attended college and law school at Yale. For many years, she practiced as an appellate attorney representing criminal defendants who could not afford private counsel. Reyna studies at the Writing Institute at Sarah Lawrence College, and her fiction and personal essays have been published in *The Westchester Review* and online. She lives with her family in Scarsdale, New York. To learn more, please visit [reynamardergentin.com](http://reynamardergentin.com).

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"The crisply written *Unreasonable Doubts* moves quickly and **keeps readers on the edge of their seat** with dialogue that rings true. Author Reyna Marder Gentin knows her stuff and displays that in her debut novel."

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"...**a cleverly written crime drama, blended in with mystery, intrigue and romance.** While I'm not a usual fan of crime dramas, I was a huge fan of this one."

—**CHICK LIT CENTRAL**

"This may be categorized as a legal thriller but it's so much more. It's a book about love and friendship and trying to decide what's really important in life. This is a debut novel for this author and based on this book, I expect that we'll see many more fantastic books from her in the future."

—**GIRL WHO READS**

"**A wonderful debut novel, it's a legal thriller with substance** — a page-turner that will trigger introspection and reflection."

—**DAVID LAT**, EDITOR-AT-LARGE, *ABOVE THE LAW*, AND AUTHOR OF *SUPREME AMBITIONS*

"In *Unreasonable Doubts*, Reyna Marder Gentin gives us **a little legal drama, a little psychological thriller, a taste of crime story, and lots of romance.** Best of all, she gives

us characters who come to life as real people who will stay with us long after we close the book....**I suspect lovers of the works of some of my favorite authors - Jodi Picoult, Erica Spindler, Richard North Patterson, and John Grisham - will enjoy reading Unreasonable Doubts**....The story elicits, in my view, just the right mix of emotive responses, and it ends on a note of positivity that leaves the reader well satisfied. “  
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