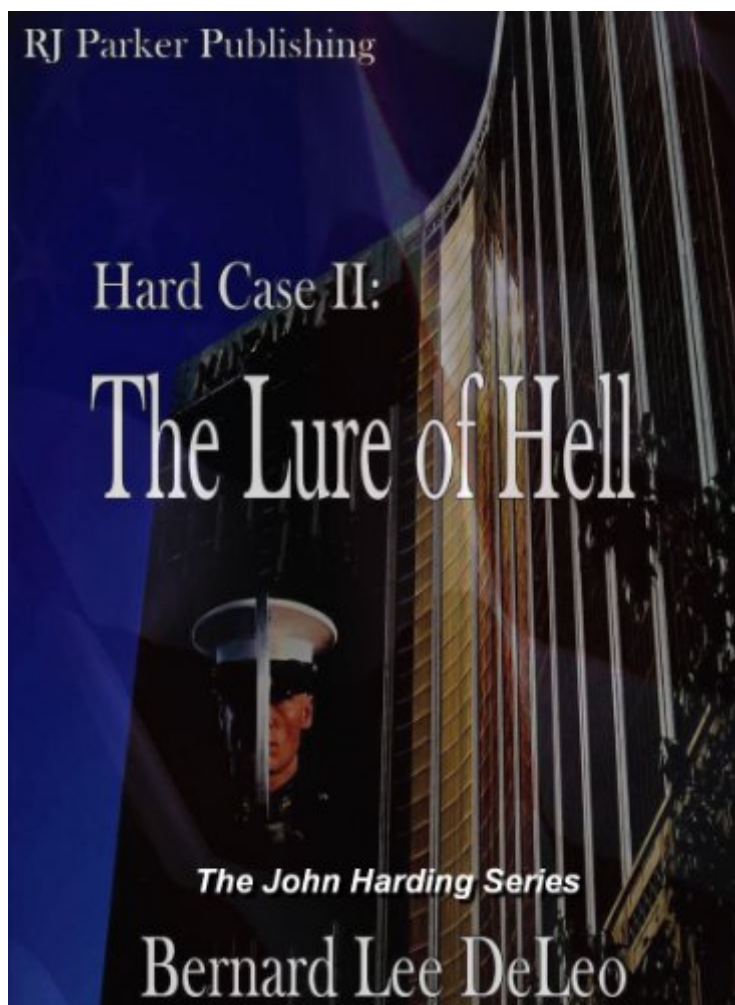


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# Hard Case 2: The Lure Of Hell (John Harding Series)



## Synopsis

John Harding launches Harding's West Coast Murderer's Row into Mexico after the Zeta cartel, a Las Vegas sanction fight, and on the trail of three psychopathic serial killers. To achieve these objectives, Harding's CIA boss, Denny Strobert, introduces two new cold blooded killers to John Harding's Oakland crew, Clint Dostiene and Lynn Montoya. Strobert has big plans for Lynn Montoya once she's freelancing with Harding's crew in the future too - he needs a woman on the West Coast Murderer's Row not afraid to get her hands or her knife dirty."Jack Reacher fans, say hello to John Harding, in a new series you won't put down: He grew up mean, running away from his alcoholic father at the age of 14. With a little help in the form of a new identity, the runaway becomes John Harding. While in special ops overseas, he's recruited by CIA agent Denny Strobert, who sees something besides a knack for languages and combat skills: he knows he's found a killer."- Kindle Nation Daily

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## Customer Reviews

This was definitely entertaining. Of course it was but there was so much going on in this. I was intrigued with the serial killers and kind of wished (instead of so many different stories/events taking place back to back) the plot had been focused more on those serial killers and building a complete story around them especially with the FBI being involved. With that being said this was a full on in your face action packed read. Clint and Lynn are characters are wonderful and annoying but I would absolutely love to read a novel of their own. How they met, how they fell in love, their background. A story about them could only be filled with gruesome bloody action wrapped in a love story. -sigh-

I have become a true fan of John Harding and this book just strengthens my need for more. There were a lot of other smaller incidents that happened, all were good, but I would have liked to have more about the main story also. I had built up so much 'torture' in my imagination for the trio of monsters that I took my time reading this book in anticipation for the final meet up. I wish Mr. DeLeo had given more chapters to this event. I wasn't sure how I would like the idea of a female do gooder but the author sure did make Lynn a very interesting character. I look forward to reading more about Lynn, along with Clint and Tonto. In short, I really liked this book as well as Hard Case I and recommend it for anyone who wishes vigilante justice could be exactly like this.

This book trails Book 1 of Hard Case, about which I wrote: "This book has everything: gripping fight scenes, rich character development, thrilling plots, good composition, and even absorbing romance. I'm going right on to DeLeo's next one, Hard Case #2." Hard Case Book #2 almost lives up to its predecessor. The first chapter is a bit rocky as new characters with yet unexplained plots are introduced in a blizzard. However, that's all unraveled on pp. 46 ff. The new players and their associated plots make this book much different than a follow-on extension of Book 1, although that would have been welcomed. There is less "cage fighting" in favor of other types of lethal confrontation. The new "bad guys" are too numerous, ergo hard to remember; and the attempt to tie up their loose ends in the final chapter is hectic. Hard Case Book #2 is a stand-alone read, but you'll enjoy it far more if you first read Hard Case, Book 1. In particular, all the previous characters return. And one hopes both they and the new ones will be back soon for a Book 3. A Book 3 seems highly likely as a new mission is introduced but not yet undertaken.

A somewhat cruel book (in content) intertwined with trying to be funny with the dialogue and byplay between characters. An excellent story and an interesting plot/timeline, as the author has many

small plots within the one story, each being brought to a conclusion within a few pages or a chapter. It is clear that Mr DeLeo firmly believes in torture of terrorists and the end justifies the means. Some readers will not agree with this. It would have been 5 stars except the funny dialogue (the Dark Lord interplay) gets done way too often and carries through even worse in the third book in the series. Great characters and based on reading the first book, I bought the next two in the series and will try the 4th.

Every now and then I had to take a break while reading this one. There is no playing around in this story. Intense does not describe it. What a story.

This is my first book by this author and I really enjoyed it, there is plenty of action and interesting characters. I hope there is a book three already out, I don't want to wait. I like the way these characters feel about the injustice in our justice system, political correctness is not part of their thinking. If you like action packed books you can't go wrong with this one.

What an awesome action thriller. This series keeps you on the edge of your seat the entire story. Bernard Lee DeLeo has written another winner. Thank goodness there are more to read with this continuing series!

I had never read DeLeo, and this is the second book in the series, a series I will devour. This is not a series for those interested in political correctness, or for the squeamish. No, this is a hard-core violent series about a seriously badass group of individuals determined to do whatever is necessary to protect our flag from those who wish us ill, or those who pervert the justice system in order to harm us from the inside. The fact they all like each other, seriously mess with each other, and would lay it all on the line for one another adds loads to the fun, not to mention to the dark humor within.

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