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From the Back Cover

After serving time for armed robbery, Ernest “Stick” Stickley is back on the outside and trying to stay legit. But it's tough staying straight in a crooked town—and Miami is a pirate's paradise, where investment fat cats and lowlife drug dealers hold hands and dance. And when a crazed player chooses Stick at random to die for another man's sins, the struggling ex-con is left with no choice but to dive right back into the game. Stick knows a good thing when he sees it—and a golden opportunity to run a very profitable sweet-revenge scam seems much too tasty to pass up.

About the Author

Elmore Leonard wrote more than forty books during his long career, including the bestsellers *Raylan*, *Tishomingo Blues*, *Be Cool*, *Get Shorty*, and *Rum Punch*, as well as the acclaimed collection *When the Women Come Out to Dance*, which was a *New York Times* Notable Book. Many of his books have been made into movies, including *Get Shorty* and *Out of Sight*. The short story "Fire in the Hole," and three books, including *Raylan*, were the basis for the FX hit show *Justified*. Leonard received the Lifetime Achievement Award from PEN USA and the Grand Master Award from the Mystery Writers of America. He died in 2013.

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