

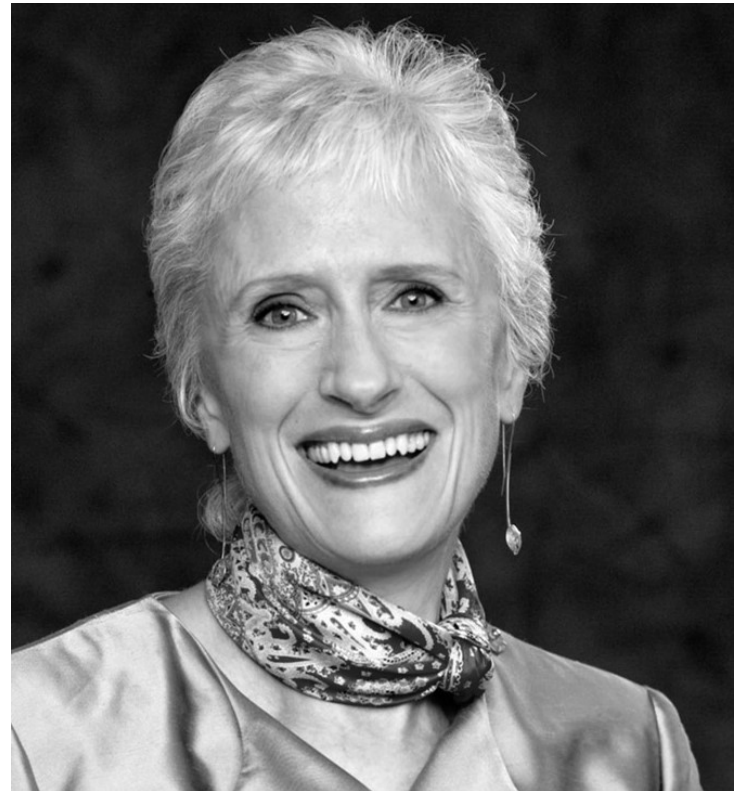
SARA PARETSKY'S  
**V.I. WARSHAWSKI**

Victoria Iphigenia Warshawski, called "Vic" by her friends, grew up on the southeast side of Chicago, in the shadow of shuttered steel mills and factories. After earning a law degree and a short stint as a public defender, she became a private detective specializing in white-collar crime. She often ends up pursuing cases that affect her friends, estranged family, or those she feels are being bullied by the upper crust of Chicago. Again and again, she uncovers and confronts major combinations of crooked business people and corrupt politicians, incomparably more powerful than herself, and emerges with at least a partial victory; though often the murderer remains too powerful for the law to touch.

- 01 Indemnity only
  - 02 Deadlock
  - 03 Killing orders
  - 04 Bitter medicine
  - 05 Bloodshot
  - 06 Burn marks
  - 07 Guardian angel
  - 08 Tunnel vision
  - 09 Hard time
  - 10 Total recall
  - 11 Blacklist
  - 12 Fire sale
  - 13 Hardball
  - 14 Body work
  - 15 Breakdown
  - 16 Critical mass
  - 17 Brush back
  - 18 Fallout
- Windy City blues: stories

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SARA PARETSKY



Sara Paretsky (b. 1947) is best known for her novels focused on the female detective V.I. Warshawski, who pioneered the tough, urban, feminist P.I. with a strong social conscience. Paretsky is credited with transforming the role and image of women in the crime novel. Set within Chicago's mean streets, Warshawski battles against desperate, dangerous, and powerful opponents. The stories of secondary characters, and Chicago's own brutal history of corruption, make these novels appealing for men as well as women. Each book is a platform for social commentary, such as corporate corruption and political graft within powerful institutions.

In 1991 the film V.I. Warshawski was released starring Kathleen Turner; the lead character came from Paretsky, but the film is not based on a particular novel. After obtaining a B.A. in political science from the University of Kansas, Paretsky did community service work on the south side of Chicago in 1966. She ultimately completed a Ph.D. in history at the University of Chicago, and an MBA from the University of Chicago Graduate School of Business.

Her husband, Courtenay Wright, is a professor of physics at the University of Chicago; the two have been together since 1970.