



## Violent Ward (Paperback)

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By Len Deighton

HarperCollins Publishers, United Kingdom, 2011. Paperback. Condition: New. Reissue. Language: English . Brand New Book. If America is a lunatic asylum, then California is the Violent Ward. Mickey Murphy is a criminal lawyer with an office in LA s downtown low-rent district, an ex-wife who bleeds him for money, clients who would plead the Fifth Amendment if they could count that high, and an unrequited passion for his wealthiest client s wife. To make matters worse, Mickey finds himself embroiled against his wishes in an elaborate and clever scam that s going askew, and being interrogated by the LAPD about a brutal murder. With an observant eye and ear for the California `scene , Deighton once again uses his brilliant storytelling skills to propel an exciting and suspenseful narrative at breakneck speed to a dramatic climax in a riot-torn city. This new reissue includes a foreword from the cover designer, Oscar-winning filmmaker Arnold Schwartzman, and a brand new introduction by Len Deighton, which offers a fascinating insight into the writing of the story.

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