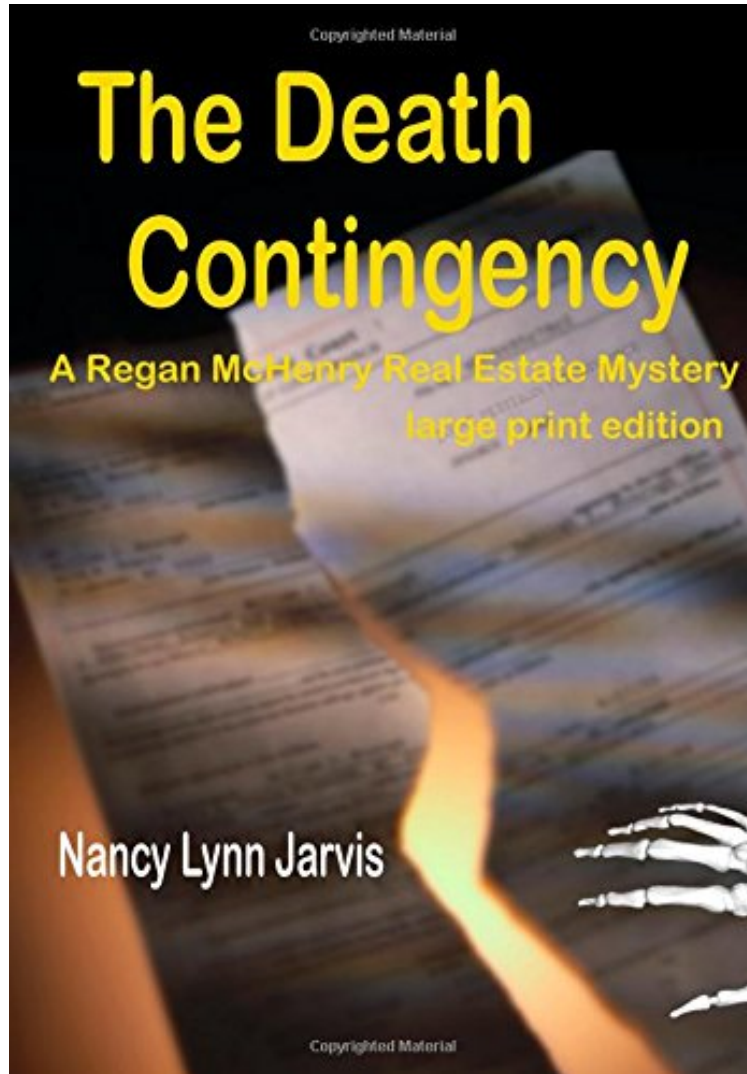


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Nancy Lynn Jarvis : The Death Contingency before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Death Contingency:

2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. "I think I'll write a book..."By HueyOne hates to be overly critical...Is that a good start to a review? I went with the 2 stars, as I did stay with this to the end, in part because I hate giving up, and in part to see just where the author would go in the end. But, I also skipped whole pages to get there. I kept thinking...this will be the one I just can't finish.This is clearly a real estate broker's attempt at writing a book..."I've been a broker for 20 years, I'll try to write a book that weaves around my experiences". That only sometimes works.It really doesn't here as the author doesn't really make the ins and outs of selling and closing real

estate too interesting. The filler, the non-sub-plot pages are just rambling real estate stories that I couldn't bear to read. The dialogue (in particular between our detective-real estate broker and her husband) are clunky and silly. Great literature this is not (not that it pretends to be). But, the dialogue is written in the same way you might hear dialogue at a middle school play, a bit trite, and poorly delivered. I admire the author for making this work, for getting words on a page, for finding a somewhat thin plot line, and writing the book. I certainly don't think I could do it, and from other reviews, perhaps she'll hone the art. Regretfully, it reads like a book not written by a writer, but by someone who'd like to be one. If you like the light light read, with a touch of mystery, and nothing too demanding, this can be a pleasant diversion. Good luck with the series. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. WOW what a great story. By Amber Clio Princess What an excellent book!!! I just love her writing. She will keep you on your toes till the very end. I really enjoyed being on my toes. I absolutely enjoyed her book. It is a must read. I have most of her books and I will get more as soon as I read the next one which is The Murder House. I'm anxious to start that one in a day or two when I can sit down for a moment and enjoy my read. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Amateur Sleuth Is a Real Estate Agent By Patricia A. Rockwell Here's a cozy mystery with a new twist--the amateur sleuth is a real estate agent. So is the author. It seems like a great occupation for a detective as real estate agents certainly run into a wide variety of interesting clients, interact with people in tense situations (buying a house), and are privvy to all sorts of private (particularly financial) information about said clients. In this case, agent Regan McHenry is confronted with a seller who is late for the closing. The seller is an elderly gentleman and Regan is concerned as to his whereabouts. Is he just on a brief vacation? Or could there be something more sinister afoot? She begins to investigate. Along the way, we the reader discover much about the world of houses--and I'm sure author Jarvis has included many real estate anecdotes that are at least based on fact if not totally true. The characters are imminently likeable and strongly drawn. I was particularly taken with Mrs. Rosemont. The writing is clean and easy to follow. The plot unfolds in a nice puzzle-solving fashion and the reader sees all of Regan's thought processes--which I like. I definitely intend to read more Regan McHenry/real estate agent mysteries. Patricia Rockwell Author--"Sounds of Murder"

"The Death Contingency" introduces Regan McHenry, a Realtor who works in the beach community of Santa Cruz, whose job puts her in the midst of mystery and even murder. She's aided in her sleuthing by her husband, Tom, a computer programmer turned real estate broker, and by her friend Dave, a cop confined to desk duty after losing an eye in a shootout. A seller disappears before signing a grant deed. He turns up dead, and Regan has to unravel the secrets of his past to figure out why he died.

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