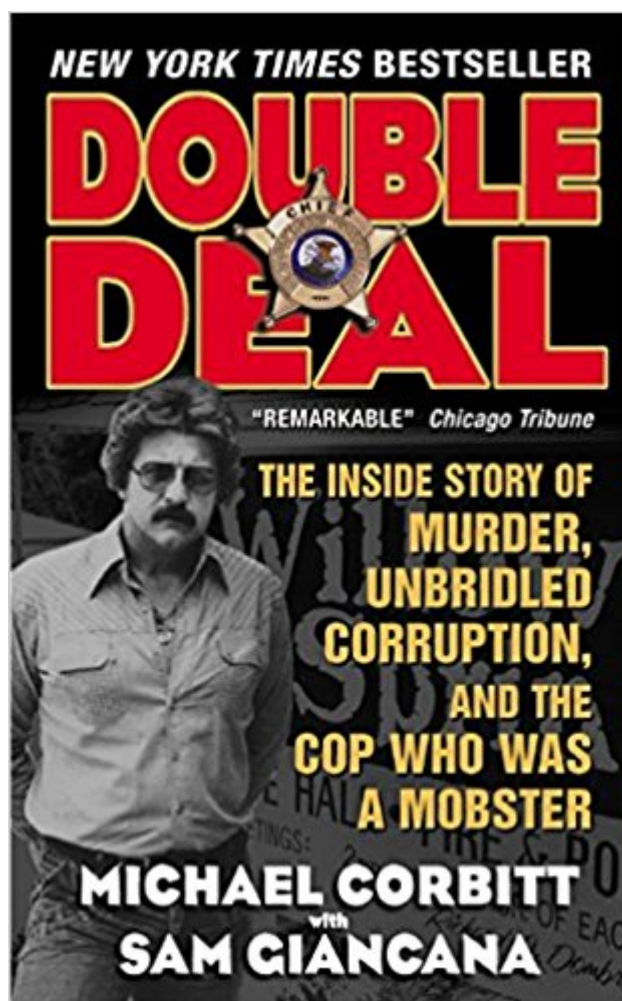


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Double Deal: The Inside Story Of Murder, Unbridled Corruption, And The Cop Who Was A Mobster



Synopsis

An expose of organised crime and its unholy alliance with world leaders, intelligence agencies, and law enforcement, *Double Deal* is a 40-year saga told with unflinching honesty by mob insider and former Chicago chief of police Michael Corbitt. Growing up poor and angry, Michael Corbitt fought his way up the ranks of greasers and street gangs until he attracted the attention of Chicago crime boss Sam Giancana, who placed him on the Willow Springs, Illinois, police force. By the time Corbitt was appointed chief of police, he'd also moved up the Outfit's ranks and was living the high life of a respected mobster. Corbitt's luck turned when he was indicted on charges of racketeering and conspiracy to commit murder. Although there was a mob contract on his life and he was facing a 20-year jail sentence, he refused to testify against organised crime figures under the witness protection programme, maintaining instead the Mafioso's code of silence until his release from prison. Now Corbitt breaks that silence, holding back nothing—including the account of his personal involvement in the brutal murder of the wife of Chicago mob attorney Alan Masters. Corbitt bares his soul, confessing in graphic and sometimes horrific detail a life lived as both saint and sinner, a life that moved back and forth between the conflicting worlds of the police officer and the gangster with ease.

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Customer Reviews

This is a fast-paced inside look at the workings of the Chicago-based organized crime syndicate and its national and international dealings, by a highly decorated former Illinois police officer who

spent his entire law enforcement career working for the Mob. Co-author Giancana covered much of the same territory in *Double Cross*, his bestselling look at the U.S. Mafia, but here his obvious model is Nicholas Pileggi's *Wiseguy*, the classic insider look at the New York crime world through the words of ex-mobster Henry Hill. Surprisingly, Corbitt's story compares favorably to that earlier classic true crime tale as he narrates his rise from the ranks of an average Chicago gang to being a player with the likes of Sam "Momo" Giancana (his co-author's uncle) and Tony Accardo-perhaps the two most important figures in the history of post-WWII Chicago crime. Giancana captures Corbitt's eye for the sleazy details of Mob life, such as the time he sees "half a million in loose diamonds" wrapped in a brown paper bag on the front seat of Momo's car, "looking like a ham sandwich." But the heart of the book is Corbitt's description of the mysterious figure of Hy Lerner, who, along with Meyer Lansky, controlled organized crime in the U.S. in the 1970s and 1980s. Corbitt's first-hand accounts of Lerner's dealings with shady figures like Lansky, the Shah of Iran and Manuel Noriega, as well as with agents of the Israeli government, the Mossad and the CIA, provide some new evidence of the extent of organized crime's involvement with the government. Copyright 2003 Reed Business Information, Inc. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

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Started to read this book. I love true stories, but this one of course is a messed up and dramatic one. There is SO much garbage out here in Illinois-Cook County-Chicago/Chicagoland. Back in the day (period this book was based on and before) as well as now. It may not be as open as it once was, but there are still goings on that should not be. Seems our politicians are the new gangsters. This book allows one to look into the past and get a partial glimpse of the Chicago outfit or organized crime and government corruption. THIS IS ONLY ONE STORY OR A PARTIAL GLIMPSE OF WHAT WENT ON!!! Many more stories to be told and many other books out there with similar subject matters. Personally, the largest issue I have with the subject matter is the government corruption. The crooked cops, attorneys, prosecutors, judges, and etc. It is a partial glimpse as to what we have come from here in Illinois, County of Cook, and Chicago - Chicagoland. I don't know about the current state of organized crime here as to the Chicago Outfit, but I do know we have a Ton of issues and corruption is a main culprit. Don't believe me, look at all the Governors we have sent to prison. The town of Willow Springs, Illinois isn't what it was like back during the time of this

book. SO, So much has changed. Much of the seediness is now gone. But, the stories I have heard and the things I had seen with my own eyes when going through there several years back. If you are really interested in this town and its partial roots to organized crime, check out the Willowbrook Ballroom near Archer Road and Willow Springs Road, Willow Springs, IL. That goes back to Al Capone. Willow Springs, IL is Not only this story as many have come to believe. Also check out the building of the Illinois Michigan Canal, Saint James cemetery & church 1830(Lemont, IL), the CCCs or Civilian Conservation Corps camp they had in this town, history of Archer Road as an original travel route in and out of Chicago, American Indians of this area, and etc. Good in bad in everything. Don't ever forget that. Get the book for an interesting read. I can't saw how much of it is pure fact, but in reading it you'll get the gist of things. Nice read that may get you into similar books or allow you to branch off into sub categories, perhaps subject matters that I mentioned in the above paragraph.

Good read

Honest and hard hitting, the story of a man who became a bad guy but always retained a good heart to the end, Mike Corbitt indirectly hurt a lot of people, he intentionally also helped a lot of people too. A cop and mobster. A good cop who did good and bad. You can't applaud Corbitt for all he did, but some of it; the book, while brutal in many ways, depicts a man's life that is a microcosm of the world, and the very fine lines between the very best and very worst that sometimes exist in what life has to offer. Dave Bayer

If you live now or lived near the sw burbs of Chicago, this is a must read. The streets and locations will be familiar to you even if you did not know what when on inside of the buildings. Allegedly, and I ain't sayin' nohtin' about nobody. This book is good because it just tells the story without too much drama. You know, it's just business. Truly a fun read and just a little bit unsettling when you think about what went on around everyone. Gee, I'm glad those days are over, huh?

Great book

knew people in book..... .. letting a friend read it now..liked the book was interesting because i knew a lot of the places he spoke of

This book was a gift for my brother's birthday. He loves it. He said it was in excellent condition for one penny and it was packaged very professionally. Thanks again.

Interesting times. Lived in Chicago at one time .

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