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This steamy contemporary romance has characters you'll fall in love with and a twist you'll never see coming. Dive on in to Book One of the *Sutton Capital* series and fall in love!

Kelly Bradley is convinced she doesn't need to worry about falling in love when she comes up with her plan to marry Jack Sutton. She's dated so many great guys over the years, but hasn't fallen in love once. Not with any of them. It just isn't in the cards for her. So, when she approaches powerful, sexy Jack Sutton and proposes a temporary marriage-of-convenience, she's not one bit concerned that her heart will be on the line.

Jack Sutton is used to having control over things, having things go his way. Things in his life aren't supposed to spin out of control. But Kelly Bradley flips his world upside-down and has him wanting more than he'd ever thought he would have. And, just when he realizes he wants a real marriage with Kelly, Jack finds himself racing to save the woman he loves.

Before Jack and Kelly know it, not only are their hearts on the line, but Kelly's life is, too.

***Legal Ease* is book one of the *Sutton Capital* series. It can be read as a stand-alone book. Lori's *Sutton Capital* series is a steamy series with adult language. For a sweeter series, please see her *Evers, Texas* series, beginning with *Ever Hopeful*.**

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From Reader Review Legal Ease for online ebook

Katerina says

Oh my...

I just noticed I have the second book in this series already on my kindle...

But I am not exactly looking forward to continue with it.

Based on the 4 star reviews from other reviewers, I expected more.

More character development, more steam, more of "everything"...

The story started off so good, but the protagonists never left the stage of cardboard characters. I found them rather one dimensional, with just three thoughts constantly swirling in their heads...

The transition from a marriage of convenience to a love story was too suddenly and unconvincing, because the author preferred telling to showing and thus failed to bring her characters to life.

The supposedly steamy scenes were always somehow glossed over and the twist towards the end of the story had me yawning and in need to suspend my disbelief...

It wasn't a bad read, but nothing to write home about either.

Bea Charmed says

Nice use of the fake marriage trope, and other tropes. Heavy on romance, which was sweet and steamy, but light on mystery and suspense. I like the cast, may read more in the series."

Snigdha Prakash says

This gave me far more than what I expected out of it.

Basically, in the first five minutes of the book, I ended up disliking the heroine because she came off as a scheming bitch.

But once you get past that annoyance, the book is pretty great.

I really liked the honesty between the two main characters and Jack was just amazing.

The author also managed to get the reader on all tenterhooks towards the end. Always a plus in my opinion.

And additionally, I can't wait to read about Chad and Andrew.

I am definitely coming back for more from this author.

Coco.V says

? FREE on Amazon today (11/23/2017)! ?

Illustrious Illusions says

Legal Ease is the first book in the Sutton Capital Series, and lucky for you guys, book two, Penalty Clause has already been released! So you can jump into this series and not have to wait too long to find out about the supporting characters from Legal Ease!

Jack desperately needs a wife to keep control of his company. And he is even more desperate because he already told his aunt he was getting married. When Kelly waltzes right into his office while he is meeting with his Aunt Mabry, Jack is dumbfounded and he is never at a loss for words or out of control. But Kelly needs something from this marriage as well. So it works out for the both of them.

Jack and Kelly are fun characters. It is always fun to watch a strong man get taken down a peg or two by an equally strong woman. Both characters are very well developed and realistic. There really isn't a time I wanted to smack either one upside the head and that's a bonus.

The biggest disappointment with Legal Ease is the ending. I thought it felt a little rushed and thrown together. Don't get me wrong it works with the story, but it is the biggest piece keeping me from giving Legal Ease 5 Stars instead. Overall, Lori Ryan's writing and character development is top notch. She creates characters, leading and supporting, that you will just love or love to hate. Either way, they are great and I can't wait to read more of what Ms. Ryan has up her sleeve.

<http://www.illustriousillusions.com/2...>

Jacob Proffitt says

There's a lot wrong with this book—too many chapters, stated age mismatch with apparent age, an irrational antagonist, convenient conversion with little impetus, and a wrap-up that's simply too complete to be believed.

But I liked it anyway.

I suppose it mainly comes down to liking Kelly, more than anything else. Jack was okay, but a little too . . . domestic? . . . to buy into fully. By which I mean that his home demeanor with Kelly doesn't match his (stated) work life or power and position—or even his past as reflected in the women he was involved with (only one of which we actually see, admittedly). In the end, I bought the story because I *wanted* to buy the story. Which is a success but not necessarily a predictor that anyone else will enjoy it, too.

I do wish someone would teach the author that every scene change doesn't need to be a new chapter, though...

A note about Steamy: This one is at the edge of my steam tolerance. It didn't quite cross it, though. There's one *huge* scene that goes for a whole chapter and some (see small chapters above), but the rest of the sexy shenanigans are kept pretty short after that (though there are a good half-dozen of them they tend to be a page or less and are easily skimmed).

Tracy T. says

It was an okay story and okay narration.

I thought this was an okay story. Nothing really exciting or memorable to speak of. I liked the concept of the story and but I thought it could have been better. Seemed to lack any substance to be honest.

There was a couple sex scenes that were well written, not erotica or BDSM.

There was plenty of dialogue and I like lots of dialogue so there is that.

The plot seemed to be undeveloped and an ending thrown in that was never part of the story, kind of just random to try and make the story more dangerous or something but it didn't work well. No lead up, no rhyme or reason for that short part of the book. Really could have been written better.

The narration was just okay. I think I just didn't care for the narrator's voice for the hero. I thought he could have done a sexier voice. He did okay on the female voices so that is good.

I don't feel the need to read the next book in the series so I am moving on to something else.

I did get this free on amazon and 1.99 audible whispersync which is a bonus. Glad I didn't pay anymore than that for it.

Janeiowa says

The plot for this novel is a common one in the romance genre: a man needs a wife because of a "controlling from the grave" clause in a will. Kelly needs tuition money for Yale Law School. It sounds pretty run of the mill, but Ms Ryan does a good job with the basic plot, adds in some good and bad characters, and makes it worth reading.

I'm looking forward to the next on this series.

Susan Smith says

Loved this book; looking for more from this author. It was a fast read, but fun and kept me on the edge of my seat.

Judy says

This is the first book in the Sutton Capital Series by Lori Ryan. Back in May, I was part of a Book Blast for this book and regretted not being able to review it. When I saw a book tour open up for the second book in the series, Penalty Clause, I knew this would be a perfect chance to correct that oversight. Tomorrow the book tour and review for Penalty Clause will be posted, so make sure you stop back by!

This book starts with an introduction to Jack Sutton, the CEO of Sutton Capital. He is currently in a bit of a pickle. Jack's parents had a wonderful marriage and set a great example for Jack to follow. Jack just hasn't been in a big hurry to follow their example. When his mother died 5 years before, she set up a stipulation in her will that Jack had to be married within 5 years or the proxy for her 45% chunk of the shares of the company would go to Jack's Aunt Marby. As the deadline neared, Aunt Mabry has threatened to use the

strength of her own shares and the proxy to oust Jack as CEO and install her son, Chad. Chad of course, has no interest in the position, but his mother is not listening. If this issue makes it to a vote, the repercussions could harm the company no matter what.

The prior week, Jack had lied to his Aunt Mabry by saying that he had a fiance who she would meet before his deadline. He was trying to buy some time for himself and his other cousin Andrew to come up with a plan to preempt her ability even with the 45% chunk of shares. Now, they are down to only a few days left before Jack must produce a wife and still no ability to stop her. Until Kelly walks through the door with a bold proposition. She will be his wife for one year in return for tuition to Yale Law School.

See, Kelly has been accepted, but without some means to supplement her meager scholarship, she won't be able to afford to go. Kelly's best friend Jennie, is Jack's temporary secretary and has been listening in via the intercom in Jack's office. When she tells Kelly all about the latest juicy gossip, Kelly decides to make a bold and brash proposal. When she walks in, Jack thinks that Andrew has found a last ditch answer and is shocked when he finds out he knows nothing about it. After a little bit of negotiation, Jack accepts Kelly's proposal.

As I read this book, the beginning felt just like a 'marriage of convenience turned real' themed book. Not that this is bad, I really enjoyed Jack and Kelly getting to know one another and falling for each other. If that had been all that happened in the book, it would have been a sweet and humorous read. But just as I thought we were all settled in and just waiting on the 'I Love You's', the author threw a major curve ball at me. Suddenly we have mystery and thriller elements taking over. Holy Shitake Mushrooms! Now I was on the edge of my seat and biting my lip trying to figure out what was happening. IT WAS AWESOME! I totally wasn't expecting it and it took this sweetly funny book to a whole 'nother level. Looking back I can see it coming, but otherwise the author did a great job of dropping hints and foreshadowing without giving anything away. I gave this book 4 stars on Goodreads.

Tracy Parker says

Cute

It wasn't bad, but it wasn't anything different. I don't think I fully connected to characters. It's a cute read.

Jen_C says

Wonderful surprise. Really want this H for myself. Our h walks into his office and declares herself his fiance to save his business. He rolls with it and they fall in love. No big, stupid misunderstandings. He romances her and takes care of her. Then the twist. She is in danger and he pulls out all the stops to find her & come to her rescue. Gotta love a knight in his "alpha" armor. :)

LaFleurBleue says

While reading the blurb, I discovered Kelly was supposedly 28 years old. I checked as I did not remember that and did not find it back. Anyway she did not have the life or behavior of a 28 yo, more like 22 to 24. This book could have felt contrived, with the marriage of convenience plot, combined with the abduction. But somewhat it worked and I really liked both characters which felt rather real.

The writing was smooth, never too familiar or close to spoken language. One small qualm, I thought the chapters tended to be too short, with too many of them and that created too many stops in the reading, some looked more like scenes than real chapters, they could have been at least twice longer by combining two into one.

I'll definitely follow on happily.

Eileen says

Fun.

Luli says

Libro entretenido, sin sorpresas ni pretensiones, lo que crees que hay es lo que hay....estupendo para intercalar entre lecturas más densas.

La parte del misterio un poco floja pero por lo menos no se llevan medio libro haciendo tonterías para que los malos los pillen...

Lo dicho, entretenido, habrá que darle una oportunidad al resto de la serie.

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