

## CHARACTERS

BAILIFF:	A uniformed officer of the court. 40s/50s.
COURT CLERK:	An officer of the court. 30s/40s/50s.
COURT RECORDER:	A somberly dressed person. 30s/40s.
JURY:	Twelve people from the audience.
THE HONORABLE B.J. ROLLINS:	The judge. 50s/60s. Male or female.
MAX PUKKER:	The defendant, a former general contractor and now a framing subcontractor. A bitter man with a hot temper. 40s.
BRAD SCOTT:	The prosecutor, confident and arrogant. 40s/50s.
LISA BISHOP:	Counselor for the defense. Largely inexperienced. 30s.
WITNESSES, IN ORDER:	
ELIZABETH JONES:	Lives in a trailer park and was Mary Lou's next-door neighbor. 60s/70s.
LUCIEN BERGERON:	A Cajun and former employer of the late Mary Lou Pukker. A shady guy with a murky past. 50s.
NAOMI ROBERTS:	A dispatcher for the Flint County Sheriff's Department. Late 20s.
LISA KITCHENS:	Emergency medical care technician for Flint County. 20s/30s.
DR. NOEL (OR NORA) HARRIS:	An emergency room physician at Flint County Hospital in Riverdale, Mississippi. 50s. Male or female.
MATT TAYLOR:	A Flint County Deputy Sheriff. The subject of an alleged attempted murder by Max Pukker. 30s.

PETE JOHNSON: A detective with Flint County Sheriff's Department. 40s.

SALLY HOLLAND: Chief crime scene investigator for the Flint County Sheriff's Department. 40s/50s.

DR. CLAUDE (CLAUDIA) NORTON: Flint County Medical Examiner. 50s/60s. Male or female.

WILLAIM E. PETTIGREW, PhD: Forensic Scientist with the Mississippi State Crime Laboratory. 50s/60s.

JOESPH BLAIR: A former employee of Max Pukker and currently on probation for felony drug possession. 20s.

EUGENE WILSON: An employee of The Flint County Waste Management Authority. 20s.

LAMAR WILLIS: A former employee of Max Pukker. 30s.

PAUL FONTENOT: A Cajun with a shady past and co-owner of a Riverdale restaurant and nightclub. BERGERON is his partner.

GREG STINSON: Oil rig worker and former pawn shop employee. An old high-school days friend of Max Pukker. 40s.

#### SETTING AND TIME

SETTING: Riverdale, Mississippi, near Jackson, in the main courtroom of the Flint County Circuit Court.

TIME: The present, the first Tuesday morning in September