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It's a dirty job, but someone's got to do him.

One night only. No promises, no regrets. He was rich, ripped, inked up, and gone in the morning. I didn't even know his name. Not until I read it off the door on my first day at work.

See, I don't do bad boys, I don't do troublemakers and I sure as heck didn't graduate college with a 3.9 GPA by screwing around.

I was never supposed to see him again, but now he's my new boss, as sexy in a suit as he was between my sheets.

And my new stepbrother.

Having him was a slice of Heaven. Working for him could mean selling my soul. But if the devil looks like Declan Riordan, Hell might be worth the burn.

Bossy Details

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Dianna says

Declan is at a boring frat party when he catches sight of Claire, a hot girl with a slobbering ex.

Claire kicked slobby Michael out when she found him in their bed with another girl, and now he's chasing her around and being all drunk and tearful and mildly violent. He's terrible.

As she relates her woes to some fine tattooed bad boy Claire is conscious of three things. One, she didn't catch his name, and it's probably way too late to ask, and two: she's probably boring him senseless with her cheating fiancé story and three: she desperately wants to get in his pants. But she's in luck, because he wants in her pants too! Sad girl stories from girls with great boobs are his jam, baby! And, gosh do they have a super-great time. He's gone by the time she wakes. And all she has to remember him by is scattered prophylactic wrappers. At least he was a gentleman and disposed of the umm, used articles.

Four months later, Claire's headed to her internship with the law firm owned by her mother's fiancé. She's going to be working for the fiancé's son, and yes that's Declan, and yes: I'm on a stepbrother romance kick. I'm so ashamed/not ashamed.

It's also lawyers. There's a fun character whose job is to tell lawyer jokes, and Declan and Claire lawyer a case that is awful and unwinnable, and surprisingly, it worked well. See, Declan's an all-alpha, no commitment, fun dirty sex kind of guy who is of course struggling with his sweet romantic feels for Claire. And she's smart and feisty and while she doesn't trust him much, she has some perils for Declan to punch.

They are simple romance characters, and Linwood does a perfect job of making them wrong about stuff. Declan's 'punch it' approach to any problem always makes a situation worse. Claire's 'must crusade for Right at any Cost!' approach is challenged by practicalities. As a reader entering her pre-grumpy life phase, this is how I would prefer the new adult genre to work: baby 20-somethings learning that their elders know some stuff.

I liked them both, and they were fun together.

I'm adding Kim Linwood to my list of great Kindle Unlimited finds (it's a very short list so far). I don't know whether this will work as well for a reader who just wanted some kinky pseudo incest drama, and it probably didn't need it anyway. There's already enough challenging conflict in the unequal power dynamic of an office romance, so if you are a reader who doesn't at all like kinky pseudo incest drama, but likes forbidden office romances with a mild side of lawyering, you could potentially read this and edit out the stepbrother bits.

I.Heart.Romance says

May contain minor spoilers

◆?BOOK: Standalone. Full length. Kindle loc: 3130

◆?WRITING: really good - humorous

◆ ?POV: dual first person

◆ ?HERO: Declan Riordan, 27--Lawyer at his father's law firm. He's cocky, flirty, playful, charming, smart, huge, muscular, covered in tattoos, with dark blue eyes, unruly black hair.

◆ ?HEROINE: Claire Anderson, 21--Intern, about to begin law school. She's smart, witty, snarky, tough, with deep red curly hair, dark brown eyes, curvy body.

◆ ?PLOT: Declan and Claire meet at a party and have a hot one night stand. Several months later, Claire begins her internship at her soon-to-be stepfather's law firm and comes face to face with Declan, her new stepbrother and boss. He flirts with Claire, they bicker, play pranks on each other, get to know each other, have a sexy time or two, butt heads some more and work on a big controversial case together. Claire's ex causes some major problems.

◆ ?REVIEW: This is one of the best stepbrother romances that I've read. It's funny, it's playful, it's sexy and I really loved that it had some substance to it. They are all likable characters including the parents, unlike some other stepbrother books where the parents tend to be really awful.

◆ ?STEAM LEVEL: hot, 4/5 - explicit sex scenes

◆ ?ENDING: HEA, Epilogue - 3 years later, No cliffhanger

◆ ?WARNINGS/TRIGGERS: none

◆ ?FUNNY QUOTES:

"Testosterone turns the males of the human species into idiots. It's true, I just witnessed it. It was like watching gorillas beating their chests at each other, except I'll give the gorillas a break because I think gorilla ladies are into that sort of thing. Me? Not so much."

He rubs his arm. "You've got a mean right hook, by the way. I haven't boxed in a while, but I can pull out my gloves. Did you fight?"

"Nah. Catholic school."

"Jesus Christ," he laughs.

"Exactly."

*** ARC provided by the author in exchange for an honest review ***

Monique Pearson says

Smoking hot between these two! And Carl was a hilarious bonus. I really enjoyed this! Couldn't put it down.

Racy says

Claire was this woman that would face her fears. She was confident, feisty and sexy as hell. She did have this loser of an ex-boyfriend by the name of Michael. He was obsessed with Clarrie. Almost scary stalker type, but if it was not for Michael she might not have had her one night stand. Her hero might not have come to her

rescue.

Declan is arrogant, sexy, smart, and never does a girl twice. He does not like the emotions that are involved in a relationship. He never would of dreamed that the night of the frat party that he would meet a girl he could never get out of his system. It was supposed to be one night, right?

Declan works at this dad's his law firm. When his father told him that his step-sister Claire Anderson would be working for him he never dreamed that Claire Anderson would be the one night stand Claire. Oh and how Claire is surprised that Her step-brother (new boss) is that sexy guy she had one night stand with. Her rebound guy.

Claire will face somethings that will be hard face. Between the case she is forced to work on Cooper Holdings, to her ex-boyfriend, and to her past coming back up to bite her. She is to the place where she needs a miracle. Who can she rely on to get her out of the mess she finds herself in.

I received this book for an honest review. I love Kim Linwood's work. I had to opportunity to read Rebel and now Bossy. Both books are amazing. Kim truly has a talent for writing. With this book you will find love, ate, betrayal, funny pranks..lol, and a lot of passion. This is defiantly a book you should check out.

Christina says

Complimentary copy provided by the author in exchange for an honest review.

Claire is an honor student getting ready to graduate from university and is gearing up to start law school. Breaking up with her long-time cheater of a boyfriend wasn't part of her plan, and neither was the one night stand she indulged in with the hot, tattooed older man at a frat party. But that one night with him was so hot she's ruined for all others; problem is, she didn't even catch his name.

You'd never know that underneath the tailored suit of defense attorney Declan is a tattooed bad boy. He's the non-committal type and when he picks up the fiery undergrad at a homecoming frat party one night, the memories of that one sizzling night play on repeat for months. So when he makes her acquaintance again months later and finally learns her name, both of their worlds are turned upside down. What are the chances that the girl that turned his world upside down would soon be his stepsister? When Claire is hired as Declan's intern for the summer as Declan's personal assistant, they soon find they cannot stand each other. But what is really fueling their mutual hate? Could it be the sizzling chemistry they have when they're together?

Without a doubt this book is HOT! But it was the pranks and banter between the two that really made this book entertaining. The one-upsmanship between them is hilarious. I also appreciated the evolution that they each undergo as individuals. Declan comes to terms with his mother's death and the acceptance that his dad has moved on, and Claire learns what it is to be dependent, to find her voice. Told in a dual, first person POV, the ability to get inside both of their heads makes for a well-told story and believable characters. There was a little predictability throughout the story, however it is an enjoyable read from cover to cover. While stepbrother romances seem to be the in thing right now, this one definitely stands out and fans of this trope will love it, I know I did.

Olivia Fox says

One night at a frat party, this two meet after he saves her from her cheating ex who was being rough with

her.

Declan is your typical womanizer, he offers Claire only one night of pleasure. But he can't stop thinking about her four months after that night

Fate has strange ways of making things happen. Claire begins her summer internship in Declan's firm. And wouldn't you know who her new boss is?

They now have to figure out how to behave because not only do they have to get along at work... their parents are getting married.

With a few tense twists, Kin Linwood tells a hot and fast-read story. I loved the main characters: Declan is scorching hot and Claire is no pushover.

Maida»-(^v^)-» says

RATING: 2.5 "Badass knight in shining Armani" Hearts!

Tera Chastain (Co-Creator of The Book Bistro) says

4.5 Stars!

This book was very entertaining ...I didn't think I'd like it as much as I did ...Claire and Declan are a hot match made in book heaven ...

~~ Life is easier in black and white. This shades of gray stuff is hard.~~

There's a real story here ...splashed with wit and humor ...just simply a wonderful read...highly recommend!!

Crystal says

I really enjoyed this book. It had funny moments, angst and lots of steamy parts. I really liked both characters even though Declan could be a bit of a jerk but it was because he was feeling things he hadn't felt before. Claire was so torn because she didn't want to be drawn to Declan but he was like an addiction for her.

It is a fun story and I recommend it for people who like steamy parts with their romance.

I received a free copy of this book for my honest review.

Book-Bosomed blog says

4.5 Stars

Claire Anderson doesn't expect to ever see again the tattooed hunk who left her bed before she woke up after

a night of off the charts sex.

Declan Riordan makes no promises so he doesn't disappoint like Claire's two-timing ex. His MO is one night stands. Well except for the feisty red-head he can't get out of his head.

Color them both shocked to see each other again on Claire's first day at work for an internship at her soon-to-be stepfather's legal firm.

"?As it turns out, we've bumped into each other a few times, but just never been formally introduced." — Declan

The story is easy to get into—the descriptions colorful, the writing witty, and both characters quite likeable. Despite his sometimes arrogant and headstrong persona, Declan is a "badass knight in shining Armani." He's certainly confident and alpha, but the story, told via Declan and Claire's alternating first person POV, helps the reader see the sometimes misunderstood Declan as a fairly upstanding guy underneath even when Claire isn't so sure.

"I still can't tell if he's a nice guy with moments of jerk, or a jerk with moments of nice." —Claire

The two have plenty of entertaining banter and comical innuendo.

"?I can already tell you'll be well qualified for whatever *position* I put you in." — Declan

And Claire is no wall flower; she's able to give as good as she gets.

There's a lot of fun in this story as Claire and Declan embark on a not-so-innocent game of professional pranks, behaving like the ornery stepsiblings they're about to become. Step-sibling books have become all the rage, but they're hardly taboo anymore so I adore the ones that don't take themselves too seriously and instead make a comedic play on the premise like this one.

I could have done a bit without the OM drama in the form of a creepy ex subplot. But I give major points to both Claire and Declan for staying true to their characters and not caving to the pressures. If they were weaker characters it could have gone a totally different way and I'm glad it didn't, nor did it overpower the main story. Still one of the things I so adored about the author's previous book *Rebel: A Stepbrother Romance* was the lack of clichéd jealous schemers, and I honestly thought Claire and Declan were entertaining enough without throwing in this often contrived romance plot device. But I suppose it does serve as a means to an end, and in the end, it ties together well as all their dramas and perceived obstacles come full circle with Declan doing the hero thing in his own Declan way.

All in all, a funny, light-hearted, sexy romance. HEA w/an epilogue though I wished the epilogue was just a tad longer as the pair made a great couple and Declan was pretty delectable!

*ARC received from author for an honest review

Nadine Bookaholic says

The book starts off on a serious note, Claire is at a Frat Party that her ex-fiancée is trying to get in to make amends, you see Michael was caught in their bed with some hookup so Claire broke-up with him and through him out of their apartment, Claire wants no part of it she is done with him and when Declan sees

what is happening he steps in to help her out. Long story short Michael is forced out and later on that night Claire and Declan wind up in bed together. They both agree to it being a one night hookup so it's no surprise when she wakes up and he's gone. Fast forward four months and they meet again when Claire is the new intern at his families Law Firm. Not only a new intern but also his future stepsister. YIKES!

This was a fun read, I loved all the pranks that Claire and Declan played on one another and all of the lawyer jokes that Carl told. While there was some serious issues being dealt with the humor helped keep the story light and fun. Very Enjoyable read.

Also purchased a copy from Amazon

Tink Magoo is bad at reviews says

This is definitely one of the top 'step-sibling' books I've read.

For a start there was actually a storyline and not just dirty sex in the bedroom of a big house while the step parents are downstairs. The step sibling part of this is actually quite small, it is relevant but there isn't any unnecessary drama about it. What made this was the banter between Declan and Claire, and it was nice that Claire wasn't a meek innocent naive heroine .

Morilyn says

I received an ARC from the author in exchange for an honest review. This is my first time reading work by Kim Linwood & I was pleased to have that opportunity; otherwise I might have passed up "Bossy" as yet another stepbrother trope & it's a great deal more than that!

Declan & Clare meet at a party after he helps her get rid of her ex who is trying to persuade her to give him a second chance after he cheated on her with another woman, in her bed! They share a very hot night but fail to exchange names, let alone numbers. Fast forward four months & Clare arrives at the law offices of her soon-to-be stepfather, Garrett, who has offered her a summer intern position, working with his son, Declan, who is already a hot shot young lawyer. Shock, horror - it's the one-night-stand & neither of them have been able to forget that night. There's lots of banter, aka foreplay, that goes a tad to far; the nasty ex reappears & tries to get Clare to take him back, by fair means & foul; Declan messes up; Clare does too...

You'll have to read the book to find out more. Go on, do it, you won't be disappointed but you will laugh, cry & smile.

R says

What a refreshing funny, sexy, great plot story. I only wish the author would drop the stepbrother portion of the title because it is 1% of the story and the parents are not even married. A great fun read

Deserie williams says

note to self: not for me. drama with her ex.
