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*Chase, the Bad Baby* is the story of a baby that suffered a catastrophic brain injury at birth. His OB doctor was negligent and is named as a defendant in a lawsuit filed by attorney Thaddeus Murfee and defended by attorney Morgana Bridgman.

The lawsuit is a deserving case with huge jury appeal, but there is one major problem. The hospital and doctor have re-written nurses notes and medical records to make it appear there was no negligence.

The doctor's lawyer, Morgana Bridgman, finds out about the forged records and is put in a quandary: does she tell the truth and lose her job or hide the truth and keep her job? Her lover is a woman who wants to have a baby with her when Morgana is stricken with a deadly disease. Their story is compelling and fascinating reading.

Thaddeus Murfee is on the hunt in this novel. On the hunt for the truth about the birth of Chase Staples and on the hunt for the man who kidnapped his daughter. It becomes a one-on-one game of cat and mouse that finally reaches its explosive climax and someone must die.

Watch the bad baby jury trial from your front row seat in the jury box. You will be amazed at the twists and turns the story takes as you cheer for the baby and pray his needs get met.

"*Chase, the Bad Baby* is the most emotionally difficult yet compelling novel I've ever written," says author John Ellsworth. "Join with me in supporting Chase in his desperate fight for justice. You'll be glad you were there!"

This is the fourth book in the Thaddeus Murfee legal thriller series of books. While the books are numbered 1-4, they may be read in any order. There is no need to read 1-3 before reading 4, so please enjoy them in any order you choose. The books in the series are:

*The Defendants*

*Beyond a Reasonable Death*

*Attorney at Large*

*Chase, the Bad Baby*

## Chase, the Bad Baby Details

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## **From Reader Review Chase, the Bad Baby for online ebook**

### **David Phillips says**

#### **Another Excellent book.**

Really enjoyed the book and all the story had to offer. To many things going on to describe. Highly recommend this.

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### **Thomas R. says**

The 4 Book in the Thaddeus Murfee series and it was very surprising. Thad moved from California to Chicago to have a Legal Office specializing in representing Negligent Medical Mal practices. This story also picks up from book 3 w oh th Murfee tracking down the Organization that kidnapped his baby daughter and left her with PTSD and unable to talk. The Ending was kinda of abrupt but overall it was a good book

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### **Tere Fredericks says**

#### **Bad Baby Doesn't Mean Naughty**

Right from the start, a potential reader needs to know this is a very, very hard and harsh story. Which is why it is so important to be read, not just for the entertainment value of reading courtroom drama/legal suspense fiction. Truly, that's the reason the genre is so popular - entertainment value.

So-called bad baby cases happen all the time. That doesn't mean that a reader should skip a fictional dramatization of one such story.

In its own way, this is also uplifting in it shows there are true heroes in this world. People with a conscience who are willing to live their values, even at the risk of losing everything.

There is a side story here which picks up the cliff-hanger from the last book. There is a lot more to that cliff-hanger than we were left with. A lot more.

Moral ambiguity in a fictional story is not new. In this book, Mr. Ellsworth has raised it to an art form.

Read this book. It will rip your guts out and you will never be the same.

Highly, highly recommended.

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### **Glenn LaRue says**

#### **Very good novel, except**

I thought the ending was very abrupt and seemed almost like an afterthought to the story about the ligation of a “Bad Baby” in the courtroom. Again the greed of lawyers is showcased in the novel. Recommend

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### **Jackie says**

#### **Good Book**

This is a good series so far. The book holds your interest and everything. There were several things going on in this one which made it interesting.

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### **Cala says**

**I love the stories involving the young lawyer Thaddeus. He is very smart and cunning. He has a knack for winning cases**

that are deemed unwinnable. I look forward to starting the next John Ellsworth novels about the young lawyer Thaddeus Murfee.

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### **James V Landfair says**

#### **Love John Ellsworth**

Thad Murfree is the best legal thriller writer since John Grisham. His characters have real depth and you can't wait to see what's going to happen next

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### **Tammy Adams says**

3 1/2 stars

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### **Judith Wong says**

**His daughter kidnapped? Can she be saved? A young mother having a difficult delivery with her third child, will the baby be ok?**

A fabulous read which has everything! Sarai, Thaddeus' daughter is kidnapped by a cell of Muslims who want the money he got from his successful case against the Chicago mob, over \$450,000,00! As Thaddeus scrambles to get the ransom together, a mother of two, Latoya Staples, struggles with the birth of her third, which progresses to a critical stage. Where is the doctor? Thaddeus manages to get most of the money the kidnappers want and sends it to an untraceable account overseas. Sarai is returned home but is psychically scarred. Meanwhile, Latoya is distraught because her labor is past the point of no return when the OB arrives

fourteen minutes past the "Decision Incision" deadline. The unspeakable damage is done, a "Bad Baby" is born with severe brain damage which was avoidable! She and her husband, John, take the baby, Chance, home with them as the horrible truth continues. Because of his brain damage, he is inconsolable except for fifteen minutes at a time. The parents have two older children who need them. Stretched beyond human limits, they seek medical treatment at only to be told that their insurance only provides long-term, placement in medical facility which is unacceptable to them. They try Medicaid but there is no money for home care in the budget. At this point they procure the services of Thaddeus Murfee. Thaddeus and his family have moved back to Chicago after selling the casino previously awarded to him back to Chicago after selling the casino previously awarded to him. He becomes obsessed with punishing his daughter's kidnappers. However, the FBI, who have been surveilling the terrorists, notice that three of the six man cell turn up murdered! The only person with a motive is Thaddeus. The insurance company covering the Staples, the OB and the hospital are resorting to illegal and inconceivable methods to avoid paying at all costs. Can the FBI stop the killings? And how is Thaddeus going to get past the deceit being perpetrated by the defendants? Read on my friend!

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### **karen tracy says**

#### **Always**

Choose this author every time. Best read and full of action. Best interest and makes you want to find the next book.

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### **Aimee says**

#### **A Must-Read Book**

Chase, the Bad Baby is heartbreaking. Having had an uncaring OB/GYN for the birth of my second son, Chase could have been my baby. My baby made it out just in time, blue, with a knotted umbilical cord tight around his tiny, fragile neck. There were moments I cried at the beginning of the book. It was not gruesome, just factual. But then, the anger comes for Chase and the Staples family. But even the team of Thaddeus and Christine are set up to fail to win a judgement.

The Suspense and Thriller part of the book is the after hours hobby of Thad and Christine.

The same characters are back. They are well written and easy to like.

This is a great series, and a long one. I like a long, well written series. Definitely deserves all 5 Stars!

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### **Quillracer says**

This is the first Thad Murfee book that didn't 'click' with me right from the start.

It opens with the story of 'Chase' of the title and his birth. Fair enough. But after several chapters about Chase, we jump to Morgana Bridgeman, a lawyer for a shady law firm and her problems. She almost takes over the book from that point, and in the first 20 chapters, Thad Murfee, the main character, only makes two

brief appearances. C'mon, Mr. Ellsworth, you can do better than that. We want main characters 'front and center' in their books.

This story didn't really take off until about Chapter 30 or so but then it galloped to the end.

Morgana Bridgeman's story was a little too contrived to be believable and preyed a little too much on the readers' hearts. Her turnaround should have been motivated by something other than events she had no control over. I would have liked to have seen the fallout her law firm suffered after the court case.

The terrorist sub-plot – please, all authors, give that old nag a rest! – seemed an afterthought even though Ellsworth blended it in well with the rest of the book. I would have liked to have seen Thad effect his own escape from their clutches (readers like to see their heroes conquer all) rather than have him get free via someone else's actions.

I have the next two books on my Kindle and will read them when they come to the top of the rotation. I just hope they're a little better than this one.

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### **Nancy Silk says**

"Another Winner For Ellsworth"

This is a courtroom drama which will stun you. This novel is mixed also with medically thrilling events. The baby, Chase, at birth had a catastrophic brain injury. The doctor was negligent and is the defendant of the lawsuit filed by Thaddeus, while the defense attorney is Morgana Bridgeman. There are many twists and turns in this dramatic story. It's one of the best stories presented by top winning author John Ellsworth. I love reading his well written stories. They are always astounding and entertaining.

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### **Dee says**

Chase, the Bad Baby Thad Murfee Bk 5 by John Ellsworth  
When does it make it right for Lawyers to forge reports????

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What did I like? Thaddeus still has many problems, but this is an emotional book that shook my heart. Be sure to have a box of tissues available.

What will you like? An unbelievable medical mystery that will grip you with all the twist and turns. I could not lay this down and between the anger, heartbreak, and action I was glued. This author has this down pat

and he keeps breaking all the molds on getting us hooked on his books. Plus, there lots more to read!!!!

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### **Hope Nora says**

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