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#### Review

“Reece Hirsch is both a great stylist and a cunning storyteller, and *The Adversary* is his best work yet. This is a first-rate thriller that grabs you from the first pages and doesn’t ever let up. I defy you not to stay up late finishing it.” —David Liss, Edgar Award–winning author of *The Twelfth Enchantment*

“I thoroughly enjoyed this international thrill ride! Chris Bruen is a dynamic and multifaceted hero who had me cheering out loud. *The Adversary* hooked me from page one and never let go. This one’s definitely for your keeper shelf!” —Andrew Peterson, author of *First to Kill*

“In *The Adversary*, Hirsch has created a compelling hero in Chris Bruen, a onetime hacker turned cyber crimes attorney fighting a brilliant network of hackers. Their goal? Committing a massive act of cyberterrorism that will plunge the world into chaos. I stayed up late, face bathed in the glow of my Kindle, holding my breath and wondering if I would ever feel safe on an airplane, in a subway, or on the Internet again. A first-rate cyberthriller!” —Rebecca Cantrell, *New York Times* bestselling author of *Innocent Blood*

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“A very frightening story that really hits home. It will be interesting to see where Chris Bruen goes from here.” —*Suspense Magazine*

#### About the Author

Reece Hirsch’s first book, *The Insider*, was a finalist for the 2011 International Thriller Writers Award for Best First Novel. Like *The Adversary*, that book draws upon his experiences as an attorney—although his legal work is a lot less exciting and hazardous than that of his character Chris Bruen. Hirsch is a partner in the San Francisco office of an international law firm, specializing in privacy and data security law. He is also a member of the board of directors of 826 National ([www.826National.org](http://www.826National.org)). Hirsch lives in the Bay Area with his wife and a small, unruly dog. Visit him at [www.reecehirsch.com](http://www.reecehirsch.com).

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