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Dedication

To Jenny, Elizabeth, and Anna. “Innocent: 1. free from moral wrong; without sin; pure. 2. freedom from legal or specific wrong; guiltless. . . . 11. a simpleton or idiot.” *Webster’s Collegiate Dictionary* 695 (New York: Random House 1991). You embrace the first meaning. May this book make some small contribution so that those allied with the second category are not wrongly convicted. To the third definition I plead guilty and can only hope that justice is tempered by mercy.

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