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\$700,000—Will it Buy Her Life?

WINTER PARK, FL, March 25, 2020—In her new novel, *The Scandal Clause*, Sydney Stern proves sex in the workplace can be far more complicated than ever imagined. From the operating room to the White House to the Middle East and on into the bedroom, the needed survival skill at every twist and turn is endurance with a capital E.

Laura, nurse administrator in Boston, applies for a \$700,000 nursing job at a prominent neurosurgeon's practice in an unnamed city. The salary looks too good to be true. Only she's had her fill of hard work, constricted salaries, and devastating relationships. She has no idea her next job will demand more than she's ever given before. It will lead her to crises of personal values and professional integrity. The prize? A seat at the top—if she will claim it.

But first, she's got a big problem—the consequences of her contract and its secrecy clause. This contract pulls Laura into a world of high stakes medicine, political intrigue, sexual morality, and survival at the most basic level—and she's not sure she ever should have signed it.

The author brings out in detail the explosive interplay of money, power, high pressure work and its release into sexuality—a challenge faced by everyone 'on the way to the top.' Join with Laura in her search for the decisions that will save her life.

Sydney Stern has been a psychologist, supervisor, educator, and consultant for over 35 years. Family systems and multicultural therapies, sexual abuse treatment, and psychological assessment are her specialties. She has lived in different cultures, spoken different languages, and worked with people ages 5 to 85 from the inner cities to schools and universities. Her professional writing skills and experiences live on in the stories she tells.

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