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Her past makes her the perfect victim. And the perfect murderer...

A murder has occurred, and it must be undone. This leaves only one possibility. The murder has to happen again, and the real culprit has to provide the police with a different course of events - as well as a plausible culprit. And he finds one in the mentally unstable young woman, who works as an assistant at a law firm. Her past alone makes her the perfect victim - or better said, the perfect murderer.

The young woman already has a guilty past. She was still practically a child, when a crime took place that never should have occurred. She did her penance, but as an adult, she seems to be working through her guilt via a kind of non-existence: Instead of actually living, she observes lives of others. However, she refuses to bear any more guilt than she already feels. So when she sees through the actual murderer's plot, she decides to turn the tables.

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