



## Dependent: A Novel

By Brenda Corey Dunne

Jolly Fish Press. Paperback. Book Condition: new. BRAND NEW, Dependent: A Novel, Brenda Corey Dunne, When 45-year-old Ellen Michaels loses her husband to a tragic military accident, she is left in a world of gray. For 25 years her life has been dictated by the ubiquitous They--the military establishment that has included her like chattel with John's worldly goods--his Dependents, Furniture, and Effects. They--who have stolen her hopes, her dreams and her innocence, and now in mere months will take away the roof over her head. Ellen is left with nothing to hold on to but memories and guilt and an awful secret that has held her in its grip since she was 19. John's untimely death takes away her anchor, and now, without the military, there is no one to tell her where to go, what to do--no one to dictate who she is. Dependent deals with issues ever-present in today's service families--early marriage, frequent long absences, the culture of rank, and posttraumatic stress, as well as harassment and abuse of power by higher-ranking officials. It presents a raw and realistic view of life for the lives of the invisible support behind the uniform.



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