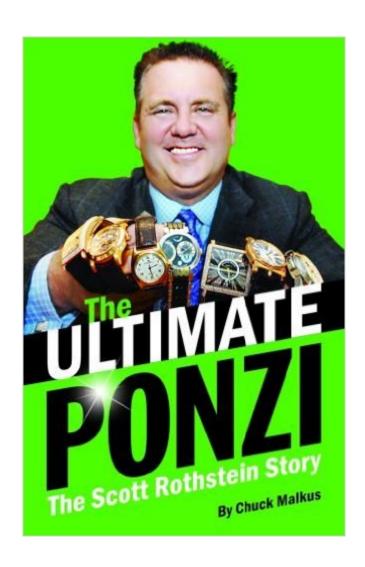
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# Ultimate Ponzi, The: The Scott Rothstein Story





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The story of Scott Rothstein's \$1.4 billion Ponzi scheme. Lawyer Scott Rothstein, in a breathtakingly ambitious Ponzi scheme, stole \$1.4 billion to finance his opulent lifestyle. In this story of blackmail, betrayal, mafia, and murder, no one is innocent. Through exacting research, Chuck Malkus has uncovered the truth behind the ultimate Ponzi scheme that duped hundreds. Malkus follows Rothstein from his humble beginnings in the Bronx through his meteoric rise to one of the most powerful men in the country. The full story has not been told until now.

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First of all, I have to commend Chuck Malkus, for his brilliant way of developing this narrative, to fully explore this bombastic individual, who is enigmatic, charismatic, as well as the personification of evil, for all practical purposes, that it's hard to put down, from page 1 to the last page. There are no pages that you want to skim, out of weariness, or boredom, as in many books. Every word is skillful, and engaging, from first to last. He is the consummate storyteller, and this book was meticulously researched, that even though you can't believe what you're reading, there is confidence that he is uncovering the whole truth. Since the economic shakeup, like an earthquake, in 2008, with the tidal waves of Ponzi schemes, defined by Bernard Madoff's staggering 65 billion dollar fraud, to the equally staggering revelation of the many "Mini Madoff" schemes, that followed, Scott Rothstein falls in the middle, but, is astoundingly more memorable. His gigantic chutzpah and hubris was equivalent to all of them, including Madoff, combined. This guy, a real character, had so

many balls up in the air, at once, it is breathtaking to behold how he was able to pull it off for five years. He had a spectacular trophy wife, as well as mistresses, who were not bimbos or dancers, but, had their own large careers, yet, were drawn to this middle-aged short pudgy guy, as if he was a movie star. He was larger than life, for that era. Karl Marx, defined a cycle of change, as consisting of five years.

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