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The Long Stair

from Sheridan Hollow to Capitol Hill

When Jonah Lee was murdered in the office of the Neighborhood Housing Association on Albany's north side, the police assumed the occasion was armed robbery. But when Warren Crow, a neighborhood resident and affordable housing consultant, volunteered to help the NHA deal with the loss of its extraordinary founder and sole employee, he found that Jonah had been secretly acquiring property for a housing project at the foot of the long stairway that climbs from the run-down Sheridan Hollow neighborhood to Capitol Hill. As Crow gradually comes to understand Jonah's motive for this puzzling project, he finds himself wanting to finish what Jonah had started- which brings him face to face with the same deadly forces that had killed Jonah Lee.

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