

**AT HER SERVICE by Shari Anton**

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When widow Lady Joanna's daughter is injured by a roving band of thieves that seem to target her holdings alone, she hires mercenary Logan Grimm to bring them to justice. She soon discovers her problems run deeper.

Logan Grimm won't work for a woman. Especially not a widow. And the thieves have a reason for targeting Joanna's land.

Fortunately, Joanna's young daughter, Ivy, wins Logan's heart and he decides to help. I won't give any more away.

Anton does a great job of rounding out her characters. Logan is both the strong alpha male and the more sensitive beta...a hard line to balance. You fall in love with him for so many different reasons and I love seeing a hero who can be the tough guy, but still have feelings. So well done, in my opinion.

Joanna has both of those sides as well. She is the mistress of the manor – able to rule in her late husband's stead with the necessary backbone, yet still maintaining the soft, vulnerable heart of a woman. The glimpses we get into her first marriage make the reader cheer her on in her quest to finally have her heart's desire.

Anton moves the story along well, keeping you wrapped in the tale and reluctant to put the book down. There isn't an overabundance of historical facts and figures, a plus in my book. So many historicals read like textbooks. Not this one. Anton tells a great tale and I look forward to reading more of her work.

At Her Service captivates and keeps you reading 'til the very end. A wonderful story by a talented author!

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