

## PRAISE FOR *Never Retreat*

"A breathtaking page-turner that will leave you exhausted but wanting more!"  
—Corinne Joy Brown, award-winning author of *Hidden Star*

"Likable, relatable characters...a real treat!"  
—Cindi Myers, author of *The View from Here*

"Intriguing...engaging...A great vacation read for sure!"  
—Meg Benjamin, author of the *Brewing Love Trilogy*

"Few novels operate on such different levels, moving their characters to challenge not just each other, but their own perceptions. . .McCune provides just the right blend of comic relief, interpersonal encounters, and outside environment changes to make her story a powerful blend."  
—Midwest Book Review

". . .offering intriguing lead characters. . .the novel is a swift and satisfying read.  
The fresh air helps turn this office romance into a truly romantic adventure."  
—Kirkus Review

"More than a love story, Bonnie McCune has created a tale of partnership and equality, sure to remind us of both contemporary gender struggles and hope for the future of men and women as a united, beneficial partnership. . .an intelligent love story."

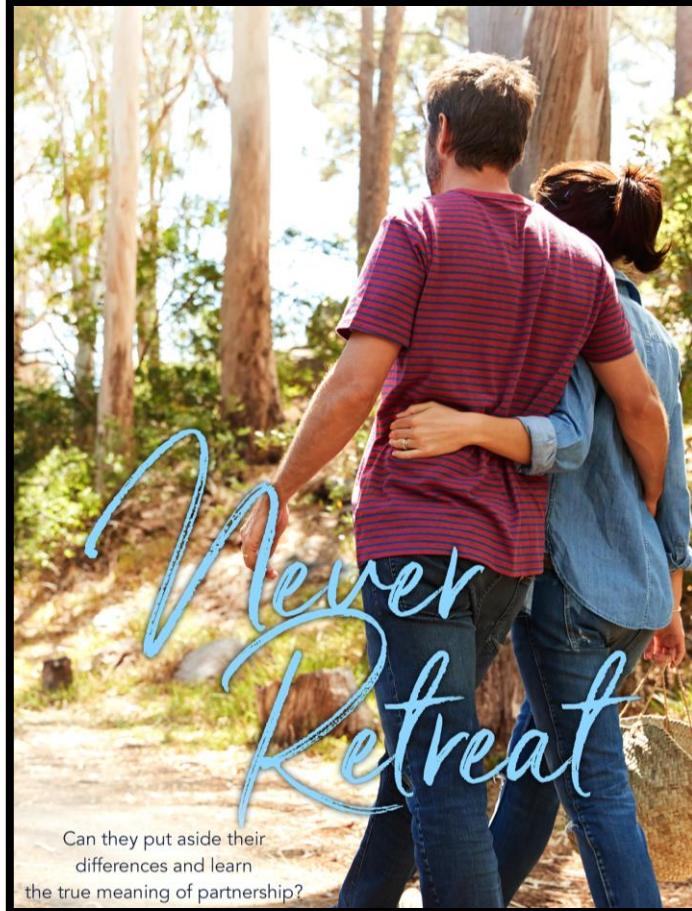
—Readers' Favorite     

## THE AUTHOR

Bonnie McCune has been writing since age ten, when she submitted a poem about rain rushing down the gutter to the Saturday Evening Post (it was immediately rejected). This interest facilitated her career in nonprofits doing public and community relations and marketing. She's worked for libraries, directed a small arts organization, and managed Denver's beautification program.

Simultaneously, she's been a free lance writer with publications in local, regional, and specialty publications for news and features. Her civic involvement includes grass-roots organizations, political campaigns, writers' and arts' groups, and children's literacy. For years, she entered recipe contests and was a finalist once to the Pillsbury Bake Off. A special love is live theater. Had she been nine inches taller and thirty pounds lighter, she might have been an actress.

Her true passion is fiction, and her pieces have won several awards. *Never Retreat* is her third novel and her fifth book of fiction. For reasons unknown (an unacknowledged optimism?), she believes one person can make a difference in this world. Visit her at [www.BonnieMcCune.com](http://www.BonnieMcCune.com), [Bonnie@BonnieMcCune.com](mailto:Bonnie@BonnieMcCune.com), [twitter.com/bonniemccune](https://twitter.com/bonniemccune), [facebook.com/authorBonnieMcCune](https://facebook.com/authorBonnieMcCune), [www.linkedin.com/in/BonnieMcCune](https://www.linkedin.com/in/BonnieMcCune).



*A feisty single mom clashes with an ex-military, macho corporate star at a business retreat in the wild Colorado mountains, where only one can win a huge prize. But when a massive flood imperils their love and survival, they learn the meaning of true partnership.*

Years ago, Ramona ('Raye') Soto faced harsh reality when a roving con man knocked her up. Now at thirty-something she's concentrating on her career in a major telecommunications firm and funding college for her teenaged son. Enter Desmond Emmett—a fast talker and smooth operator. New to the office, the ex-serviceman possesses every negative quality for a guy Raye should avoid.

Thrown together at a corporate retreat in the wilderness, the reluctant duo struggles to complete management's extreme mental and physical tests for a huge reward. But only one can win the prize, and Des needs the money to underwrite medical treatments for his adored younger sister.

See-sawing between attraction and antagonism, the mismatched couple, Raye and Des, face their biggest challenge: learning the meaning of true partnership. When a massive flash flood sweeps down the rocky canyon and threatens their love and survival, they must put aside their difference to rescue their colleagues—and their future as a couple.

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