Character Breakdown

Sy Finberg: Ben and Michael's father.

Rita Finberg: Ben and Michael's mother and wife to Sy. With Sy, they operated a small

mom-and-pop clothing store in a working-class section of Philadelphia.

Michael Finberg: Sy's older son. Though he admits his relationship with his father "was never

good," he nevertheless defends him against Ben's unsparing attacks. He

flies to California to support Ben who is under criminal investigation.

Ben Finberg: Sy's younger son. A highly successful podiatrist is living in the Los Angeles

area, he expresses contempt for his father on the 2nd anniversary of Sy's

death. He falls victim to a plot hatched by a supposed benefactor.

Norm Singer: Sy's friend of many years. Ben's supposed benefactor, he lures Ben into

criminal activity resulting in Ben's imprisonment.

Sandi: Michael's girlfriend.