

# CHARACTERS

A dark, atmospheric photograph of a two-lane road winding through a forest. The road is wet and reflects the ambient light. Tall evergreen trees line the left side, while bare deciduous trees are on the right. The scene is shrouded in a thick, dark fog or mist, creating a mysterious and somber mood. The word "CHARACTERS" is superimposed in the center in a bold, white, sans-serif font.



# Casey Benson

**Age: 32**

**Role:** Westville Police Officer, Protagonist

**Description:** A weary but principled cop who's recently returned to his hometown after a stint with the Chicago PD. Casey carries the weight of a past mistake—a fatal accident he couldn't prevent, and the emotional fallout from his breakup with Aly Fischer. When Millie Thompson vanishes, Casey's instinct to protect collides with forces far beyond his training or belief.

**Emotional Core:** Regret and a buried sense of responsibility; the slow, painful grind of trying to make amends.

**Season I Arc:** Casey is pulled into a tangled web of local secrets, federal conspiracies, and metaphysical terror. Through it all, he must confront his own ghosts, repair broken relationships, and ultimately choose between safety and sacrifice to stand between Westville and the unknown.





# Millie Thompson

**Age: 13**

**Role:** The missing girl, emotional heart of the story

**Description:** Quiet, observant, and deeply sensitive, Millie is a good girl trying to hold things together as her family unravels. She's the first to sense something is wrong in Westville. Her disappearance is the event that pulls everyone into the mystery—but her story continues in unexpected ways.

**Emotional Core:** The ache of instability, longing for safety and permanence.

**Season I Arc:** Seen in glimpses and flashbacks, Millie's perspective offers key insights into the darkness stalking the town—and her connection to it is deeper than anyone realizes.





**Olivia Fischer**

**Age: 14**

**Role:** Millie's best friend, emotional secondary protagonist

**Description:** Brash, impulsive, and fiercely loyal, Olivia is navigating grief, guilt, and identity following the recent death of her father. After fighting with Millie the night she disappears, Olivia becomes obsessed with finding her—and increasingly drawn into the dark forces surrounding Westville.

**Emotional Core:** Guilt masking grief; a desperate need to be believed and to make things right.

**Season 1 Arc:** Olivia goes from sarcastic teen to determined seeker, unearthing clues and surviving encounters with the Red. She becomes one of the few to see the truth of what's infecting Westville—whether anyone listens or not.





# Joe Thompson

**Age: 33**

**Role:** Millie's father, recovering alcoholic, heir to Prince Milling

**Description:** Once the golden boy of Westville—charming, athletic, destined to inherit the family business—Joe now drifts through life haunted by regret. Buckling under the weight of legacy, addiction, and a crumbling marriage, he struggles to reconcile the man he was with the father he needs to be.

**Emotional Core:** Shame and denial; the fear of failing as a father and being consumed by a legacy he never asked for.

**Season I Arc:** Joe begins the series fractured and unreliable—but as buried secrets surface, his blood-tied connection to the town's oldest horrors is revealed. Joe becomes both a tragic victim and an unwitting catalyst in the town's descent into supernatural terror.





# Jack Thompson

**Age: Late 50s**

**Role:** Patriarch of the Thompson family; Millie's grandfather; town elite

## Description:

Jack Thompson is a respected Westville businessman and former mill supervisor. But behind his polished smile and civic pride lies a man haunted by inherited secrets and moral compromise. Jack's family once made a pact with something that should never have been awakened, and now, as old forces stir and debts come due he'll do whatever it takes to protect the Thompson name... even if it means sacrificing everything else.

**Emotional Core:** Legacy over morality; protecting family at any cost.

**Season I Arc:** Jack begins as a symbol of old-school order and small-town authority—but his complicity in the town's supernatural curse slowly unravels. By the time his past choices are exposed, the damage is already done, and the cost is blood.





**Allie Fischer**

**Age: Early 30s**

**Role:** Olivia's older sister, Casey's ex-girlfriend

**Description:** Grounded and pragmatic, Aly returned to Westville after her father's death to help run the family diner, putting her own ambitions on hold. Beneath her composed exterior lies a deep well of grief and unspoken resentment—toward the town, toward Casey, and toward the life she thought she'd escaped. Her relationship with Olivia is strained by their age gap and Aly's attempts to shield her from hard truths, often at the cost of connection.

**Emotional Core:** Duty over desire; the ache of unfinished emotional business and unspoken truths.

**Season I Arc:** As the supernatural horrors escalate, Aly's rational worldview is shattered. She must choose between disbelief and survival, ultimately rediscovering her strength not just as a sister, but as someone willing to face the darkness head-on.





**Dr. Gregory Heiser**

**Age: Late 50s**

**Role:** Former researcher with the D.C.B. (Dimensional Containment Bureau)

**Description:** A sharp, composed academic-turned-government researcher whose background in parapsychology and field research sets him apart from his more bureaucratic peers. He believes Westville is a convergence zone for a metaphysical phenomenon tied to leyline resonance. Though his tone is clinical, his actions suggest he genuinely cares about the people affected—especially the children.

**Emotional Core:** Intellectual curiosity vs. personal responsibility.

**Season I Arc:** Heiser becomes a key ally to Casey, offering classified insight into the history of leyline breaches and the nature of the Red. But as the investigation spirals, Heiser must confront the possibility that his lifelong pursuit of knowledge has blinded him to a deeper threat—one that may be shaping reality itself.





# Kyle Anderson, Austin Topia and Eli Lancaster

## Age: 12–14

Role: Friends of Olivia and Millie

### Description:

- Kyle is the quick-witted jokester, always trying to impress, hiding a deeper fear of not being taken seriously.
- Austin is more quiet and thoughtful, Native heritage, with keen intuition and a caring kind of caution.
- Eli is Kyle's upbeat cousin. A bookworm and dedicated boy scout, he brings a pure innocence and keen intellect.
- Emotional Core: Coming of age in the face of something they can't explain.
- Season I Arc: Their presence provides levity and youthful perspective, but they become key players in the investigation—especially when they experience the Red's reach firsthand.





**Dana Reeves**

**Age: 38**

Role: D.C.B. Special Field Agent

Description: Tough, intuitive, and unyielding, Reeves is a former investigator tied to the D.C.B. through classified operations. Now working independently, she shows up in Westville following a series of unexplained phenomena connected to a larger pattern she's been tracking for years. She doesn't trust easy—and never gives more information than she has to—but she quickly proves herself indispensable to Casey's investigation.

Emotional Core: Carries the weight of past failures and a personal loss that drives her obsession with exposing the truth.

Season I Arc: Reeves transitions from mysterious outsider to reluctant ally, uncovering the deeper resonance of the Seethe and the role Westville plays in a broader incursion. Her connection to the Red goes beyond mere knowledge.





# Stephen Lochlear

**Age: Late 40s**

**Role:** Lead D.C.B. Agent assigned to the Westville Incursion

**Description:** Calm, clinical, and meticulous, Lochlear is the face of the federal response to the supernatural events in Westville. With a Bureau demeanor and a trimmed suit to match, he exudes professionalism—but beneath his cool exterior is a man who's seen too much. Lochlear is driven by duty, but also by a quiet desperation to contain what he can't fully understand.

**Emotional Core:** Torn between control and conscience; burdened by the weight of knowing more than he can admit.

**Season I Arc:** Lochlear begins as a procedural antagonist—interviewing witnesses, downplaying events—but gradually emerges as someone who genuinely wants to protect civilians. However, his allegiance to protocol over truth leaves him complicit in a dangerous cover-up. He and Reeves clash over what should be revealed... and what must be buried.

