A STUDY ON TROY PHELAN TESTAMENT IN JOHN GRISHAM'S NOVEL "THE TESTAMENT"

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This study concerned with John Grisham novel "The Testament". The writer of this thesis appreciates particularly novel, because novel is one of literary work which has purpose for entertainment, enjoyment and information. Reading novel means reading the life of society. Literary work expresses a series of happening of human life, for instance, problem, and struggles of life on human's of life. The writer of this thesis focuses on Troy Phelan's "Testament" in John Grisham Novel "The Testament" as the topic of the thesis.

The purpose of the analysis is to describe the content of Troy Phelan's Testament, the background why Troy Phelan made the Testament, and the reaction Troy Phelan's families toward his testament.

This research used descriptive qualitative design because there was no treatment as in experimental research. This research just described or interpreted what exist with respect to conditional or situation. In this study the writer of the thesis did not need to study the author's life, the back ground of the works, and the background of society, but just analyzed the work itself. The object of this study is the whole events or elements that exist in John Grisham novel "The Testament".

From the analysis, it is found that the content of the testament are: Troy Phelan's testaments for his children and for his ex-wives. The backgrounds why Troy Phelan made the Testament are: (1) Troy Phelan's felt that his family didn't love him anymore. (2) Troy Phelan did not want to give his wealth to the stupid people such as his families. (3) Troy Phelan did not want his wealth to be spent by greedy people like his families. The reactions of Troy Phelan's families toward to his testament are: first Troy families tried to prove that he was crazy, and second was class action together with their lawyer.