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The genius we never understood. . . . The man we never knew. . . . The truth we never heard. . . . The music we never forgot. . . . A revealing portrait of a legend by a close and trusted friend.

Sleepy Hollow isn't so sleepy anymore... One night, New York FBI agent Aiden Mahoney receives a visitor in a dream—an old friend named Richard Highsmith. The very next day he's sent to Sleepy Hollow because Richard's gone missing there. Maureen—Mo—Deauville now lives in the historic town and works with her dog, Rollo, to search for missing people. She's actually the one to find Richard...or more precisely his head, stuck on a statue of the legendary Headless Horseman. Mo and Aiden, a new member of the Krewe of Hunters, the FBI's unit of paranormal investigators, explore both past and present events to figure out who betrayed Richard, who killed him and now wants to kill them, too. As they work together, they discover that they share an unusual trait—the ability to communicate with the dead. They also share an attraction that's as intense as it is unexpected...if they live long enough to enjoy it!

Dare to enter the House of Night, the phenomenal #1 New York Times bestselling young adult series from P.C. Cast and Kristin Cast, with this all new e-original collection of the first four books, including *Marked*, *Betrayed*, *Chosen* and *Untamed* *Marked* Zoey enters the House of Night, a school where, after having undergone the Change, she will train to become an adult

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vampire--that is, if she makes it through the Change. Not all of those who are chosen do. It's tough to begin a new life, away from her parents and friends, and on top of that, Zoey finds she is no average fledgling. Betrayed Fledgling vampyre Zoey Redbird has managed to settle in at the House of Night. She's come to terms with the vast powers the vampyre goddess, Nyx, has given her, and is getting a handle on being the new Leader of the Dark Daughters. Best of all, Zoey finally feels like she belongs--like she really fits in. She actually has a boyfriend...or two. Then the unthinkable happens: Human teenagers are being killed, and all the evidence points to the House of Night. Chosen Dark forces are at work at the House of Night and fledgling vampyre Zoey Redbird's adventures at the school take a mysterious turn. Those who appear to be friends are turning out to be enemies. And oddly enough, sworn enemies are also turning into friends. So begins the gripping third installment of this "highly addictive series" (Romantic Times), in which Zoey's mettle will be tested like never before. Untamed Life sucks when your friends are pissed at you. Just ask Zoey Redbird – she's become an expert on suckiness. In one week she has gone from having three boyfriends to having none, and from having a close group of friends who trusted and supported her, to being an outcast. Speaking of friends, the only two Zoey has left are undead and unMarked. And Neferet has declared war on humans, which Zoey knows in her heart is wrong. But will anyone listen to her?

When an Atlantean warrior and a British cat burglar both try to steal the same jewel from the Tower of London on

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the same night, the sparks will fly. When a power-mad vampire gets to the jewel first, they have to team up to save all shapeshifters ... and the world. A warrior's mission, a woman's desire... What could Christophe, powerful Warrior of Poseidon, have in common with Fiona Campbell, prim and proper Scottish illustrator of fairytales by day and notorious jewel thief known as the Scarlet Ninja by night? Answer: The Siren, a legendary Crown Jewel that Fiona has targeted for her next heist. It's said to be worth millions, but to Christophe it's invaluable. For the Siren also happens to be one of the missing jewels from Poseidon's trident. And the unnatural evil that could destroy them both. But breaking into the Tower of London is a two-person job, so Christophe and Fiona team up to commit the crime of the century. As newfound passions fire their motives--and cloud their judgment--they realize they aren't the only ones after the priceless gem. A dark force is shadowing their every move, and threatening to shatter their trust with revenge, betrayal, and a haunting revelation about the past.

When a bedraggled stranger turned up on the doorstep of Jason Harper's comfortable New England home, it takes him some time to accept that it is his brother who had disappeared over thirty years before on a bombing mission over Vietnam. Why had he not come home earlier? Where had he been? Why had he not told his own family that he had survived? Before Roy can begin to explain what he has gone through they are interrupted by a pair of men who seem intent on removing them both - and Jason's wife and child. Within the space of half an

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hour Jason's well-regulated, ordinary life is destroyed and his loyalty to his lost brother forces him to take his family on the run as he battles with the fact that the American government had 'hidden' hundreds of MIAs. Now the two brothers have the knowledge to expose this outrage, but first they have to prevent the other survivors from being summarily executed, and a very professional organisation is determined that they will achieve neither aim. Visit his website at www.brendandubois.com

In the third installment of Haddix's series about a futuristic society in which families are forbidden to have more than two children, Nina, a secondary character in *Among the Impostors*, is falsely accused of treason and imprisoned by the Population Police. Her interrogator gives her an ultimatum: either she can get three other child prisoners, illegal third-borns like Nina, to reveal who harbored them and where they got their fake identification cards, or she will be executed. Nina sees a chance to escape the prison and, taking the prisoners with her, quickly discovers their street smarts. But when their food supply runs out, Nina seeks the boy she knew as Lee.

'I was living in a world where a priest who spoke the words of God used me for sex, and there was no-one to tell. The world where this horror happened didn't exist for anyone else.' As a boy in Ireland where everyone -- from among his own neighbours to the powers of church and state -- chose to deny that a priest could sexually assault a child, Colm O'Gorman felt only shame, guilt and fear at the regular rape and abuse he suffered. But Colm would go on to make history, successfully suing the Roman

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Catholic Church, asking questions of the Pope himself and creating a watershed in history as hundreds more victims found the courage to report their abuse. *Beyond Belief* is a powerful story of a young man's shame turning to outrage, and demonstrates that -- whatever our past hurts -- there is hope for the future if we are prepared to stand for truth.

While the big bad corporation has often been the offender in many of the world's greatest environmental disasters, in the case of the mass poisoning at Camp Lejeune the culprit is a revered institution: the US Marine Corps. For two decades now, revelations have steadily emerged about pervasive contamination, associated clusters of illness and death among the Marine families stationed there, and military stonewalling and failure to act. Mike Magner's chilling investigation creates a suspenseful narrative from the individual stories, scientific evidence, and smoldering sense of betrayal among those whose motto is undying fidelity. He also raises far-reaching and ominous questions about widespread contamination on US military bases worldwide. "World Betrayed" is the sequel and continuing story of "World Aflame". The mysterious, and to date undefeated fires, continue to burn around the world threatening all life on the planet. Scientists, politicians, philosophers, clergy and "talking heads" all have their theories, but none of them has a solution to end this terrifying phenomenon. Communication, travel, and energy experienced in the 21st century has been sent back to 19th century standards and methods. The mystery of Rick Landis' disappearance continues unsolved. After being shot by an unknown assailant, the Sun Times reporter disappeared without a trace. But his "comrades in arms", Captain Carl Dyan, Sydney Marston, and Marty "What's his name" have vowed to never give up until they

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find the answer, dead or alive. For Sydney it is more urgent because Rick is the “love of her life”. Next, there are the rumors of a “Shadow Government” planning to take down the nations of the world. The promise to their naïve followers is power, wealth, position, and a Utopian World! But there is a dark side to these “Brave New World” leaders. They are brutal, power driven despots, traitorously using the trusting masses, to achieve their own personal goals. Murder, treachery, betrayal, and war continue in the book’s final chapters leading to an inspiring finish.

Presents an analysis of the events surrounding the assassination of JFK and the subsequent investigation conducted by Jim Garrison, arguing that the evidence relied upon by the Warren Commission was smothered by the military-industrial complex and its civilian allies.

David Eicher reveals the story of the political conspiracy, discord and dysfunction in Richmond that cost the South the Civil War. He shows how President Jefferson Davis fought not only with the Confederate House and Senate and with State Governors but also with his own vice-president and secretary of state.

LIVE BY THE 'MECH... Harley Rassor is a simple farm boy in a complex techno-universe—more than happy to work the land of planet Slewis with his father. His restless older brother left to join the elite mercenary corps Able's Aces...and paid with his life. Now, Harley's father wants him to join the fight—and learn what happened to his brother. What he learns is that the Aces are in turmoil. His instructor—tough-as-nails Lieutenant Livia Hawke—also happens to be his brother's ex-lover. Rumors of suspected payoffs and setups are commonplace. And the entire unit is in danger of being disbanded. DIE BY THE 'MECH... Then pirates launch a devastating raid on the Rim Collection's resources, sparking an all-out fight that puts the Aces right back into the thick of battle—and reveal to

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Harley that there are worse things in war than death...

A true story of murder, betrayal, injustice and manipulation - and a fifteen year search for the truth. Did a blinkered determination to secure a conviction lead to a grave miscarriage of justice? This book examines the murder of Jodi Jones and the conviction of her boyfriend Luke Mitchell in Scotland in 2003 and asks, Could he be innocent?

More than 4,200 residents of Detroit's "Poletown" community lost their homes in the 1980s when the neighborhood was razed to accommodate construction of a Cadillac plant on land where generations of Polish immigrants had lived, worked, and worshipped. Poletown is the story of the only group in Detroit to oppose the construction plan: the Poles and blacks who fought side by side to save their neighborhood, one of the city's oldest integrated communities. "This book is about the ramifications of raw corporate power going unchecked." -- John Conyers, Michigan congressman "Racial class is a fundamental problem in America. But Poletown demonstrates that economic class is even more fundamental." -- Rev. Jesse Jackson

Events in Rwanda in 1994 mark a landmark in the history of modern genocide. Up to one million people were killed in a planned public and political campaign. In the face of indisputable evidence, the Security Council of the United Nations failed to respond. In this classic of investigative journalism, Linda Melvern tells the compelling story of what happened. She holds governments to account, showing how individuals could have prevented what was happening and didn't do so. The book also reveals the unrecognised heroism of those who

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stayed on during the genocide, volunteer peacekeepers and those who ran emergency medical care. Fifteen years on, this new edition examines the ongoing impact of the 1948 Genocide Convention and the shock waves Rwanda caused around the world. Based on fresh interviews with key players and newly-released documents, *A People Betrayed* is a shocking indictment of the way Rwanda is and was forgotten and how today it is remembered in the West.

*****THE INSTANT NATIONAL BESTSELLER*****

Picking up where the New York Times bestselling *Front Row at the Trump Show* left off, this is the explosive look at the aftermath of the election—and the events that followed Donald Trump's leaving the White House—from ABC News' chief Washington correspondent. Nobody is in a better position to tell the story of the shocking final chapter of the Trump show than Jonathan Karl. As the reporter who has known Donald Trump longer than any other White House correspondent, Karl told the story of Trump's rise in the New York Times bestseller *Front Row at the Trump Show*. Now he tells the story of Trump's downfall, complete with riveting behind-the-scenes accounts of some of the darkest days in the history of the American presidency and packed with original reporting and on-the-record interviews with central figures in this drama who are telling their stories for the first time. This is a definitive account of what was

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really going on during the final weeks and months of the Trump presidency and what it means for the future of the Republican Party, by a reporter who was there for it all. He has been taunted, praised, and vilified by Donald Trump, and now Jonathan Karl finds himself in a singular position to deliver the truth.

Sixteen-year-old Zoey Redbird is Marked as a fledging vampyre and joins the House of Night, where she will train to become an adult vampyre and where she faces many challenges throughout her training.

Fulfilling a promise made to his mother when he was a child and she was losing her battle against cancer, Jacques Besnainou tells her story as a "hidden" child in France during World War II. He chronicles the struggles and survival of two families: his mother's and his mother-in-law's. Both lived through a terrifying ordeal provoked by the willful blindness of a government gone mad. And both were rescued thanks to the miraculous intervention of courageous people who listened to their conscience and challenged the established order, often at the expense of their own lives. In 1940, about 330,000 Jews lived in France, and three-quarters survived thanks to the exemplary altruism of ordinary French people. This book pays homage to them. Every story and location, as well as most of the dates and names, are true. Some details have been slightly

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romanticized to add texture and readability to this novelized history.

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Betrayed is the true story of two men on opposing sides in WWII, one a sergeant in the US Air Corps and the other a Nazi rocket engineer. The sergeant was shot down, betrayed, and imprisoned in Buchenwald, while the engineer, an SS-Major, became a national hero of the Third Reich. After the war, the records of both men were classified Top Secret and concealed by threats, denials, and misrepresentations. The US government refuted the sergeant's accurate account, while promoting a fabricated history for the engineer, Dr. Wernher von Braun, who became as famous in the US as he had been in Nazi Germany. Betrayed demonstrates how an unconstrained military intelligence operation disrupted the lives of American ex-POWs in the name of "National Security."

A naval historian draws on newly revealed primary documents to shed light on the tragic errors that led to the devastating attack, Washington's role, and the man who took the fall for the Japanese tactical victory. Michael Gannon begins his authoritative account of the "impossible to forget" attack with the essential background story of Japan's imperialist mission and the United States' uncertain responses--especially two lost chances of delaying the inevitable attack until the military was prepared

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to defend Pearl Harbor. Gannon disproves two Pearl Harbor legends: first, that there was a conspiracy to withhold intelligence from the Pacific Commander in order to force a Pacific war, and second, that Admiral Kimmel was informed but failed to act. Instead, Gannon points to two critical factors ignored by others: that information about the attack gleaned from the "Magic" code intercepts was not sent to Admiral Kimmel, and that there was no possibility that Kimmel could have defended Pearl Harbor because the Japanese were militarily far superior to the American forces in December of 1941. Gannon has divided the story into three parts: the background, eyewitness accounts of the stunning Japanese tactical victory, and the aftermath, which focuses on the Commander, who was blamed for the biggest military disaster in American history. Pearl Harbor Betrayed sheds new light on a crucial and infamous moment in history.

She must escape from Iraq as soon as possible or she will be forced to die for her family's honour. This is the true story of Latifa Ali, an Iraqi-born woman, whose family found asylum in the western world after her father discovered he was on Saddam Hussein's hit list. Tricked by her mother into returning to the homeland to look after a sick relative after she refused the marriage of her mother's choice, Latifa is left stranded without a passport and any opportunity to communicate with the western world. Her father, now divorced and living in Kurdistan, expects his daughter to submit to the muslim way of life and arranges a marriage that

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would result in her death by honour killing should it go ahead. As the war on terror rages, Latifa finds herself in conflict with her cultural heritage and customs. Allowed to work, Latifa develops contacts that could prove to be her escape route, but imprisoned, abused and violated, her efforts to defy the path chosen for her fail and her death looms closer. This is a harrowing story of independence and perseverance. This is an inspirational read of a desperate woman prepared to work as a spy, consort with the UN and run for the border.

For fourteen years, Jayne Senior tried to help girls from Rotherham who had been groomed, raped, tortured, pimped and threatened with violence by sex traffickers. As the manager of Risky Business, which was set up to work with vulnerable teens, she heard heartbreaking and shocking stories of abuse and assiduously kept notes and details of the perpetrators, passing information on to the authorities in the belief that they would do something. Eventually, when she lost hope that the authorities would take action against the gangs she had identified as the abusers, she became a whistleblower for The Times investigative reporter Andrew Norfolk. Now, in her powerful memoir Broken and Betrayed, she describes a life spent working to protect Rotherham's girls, the pressure put on her to stop rocking the boat, and why she risked prison in the hope that she could help end the appalling child exploitation in the town.

Jacob Stone, former hero who was betrayed by the kingdom he saved, travels with the daughter of the dark lord he killed in an attempt to return home he was stolen from...

Connor MacDonald and his mother encounter Norwegian prince and Earl of Orkney Henry Sinclair, an adventurer who has sailed to the farthest reaches of the known world, who rescues them from highwaymen. Events soon lead Connor, now a squire, his friend Angus and Prince Henry to the shores of Vinland and to Oak Island.

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In this haunting and frank account, Donna Ford, bestselling author of *The Step Child*, returns to the horrific abuse she suffered at the hands of her stepmother. As a tiny girl of five, and for six long years, Donna was physically, mentally and sexually abused. She was starved, beaten and 'loaned out' to neighbours who raped and molested her ... and throughout her father stood by and did nothing. When her stepmother finally left the family home, Donna dreamed of a normal childhood in which she would be taken care of by the man who had, up until this point, failed her. But it was not to be. By telling the whole story of her Edinburgh childhood, Donna tries to understand why the man who should have loved her the most - her own father - was the one who deceived her the most, by continuing to allow men to abuse her. Instead of finding a future of love and happiness, Donna was once again thrust into a living nightmare of exploitation and betrayal by those who should have wrapped her up in their love. While this is a true story of appalling child abuse, it is also a tale of how exhilaration, tenderness and self-development can flourish despite childhood horrors. We take a journey with Donna to discover the woman she has become: a devoted mother of three and a talented artist and writer.

Burma had always held many secrets over the centuries with its Temples and Cults. Benjamin James Roe spent much time there along the Burma Road, before and during the Second World War. Recently a murder had occurred near Union, South Carolina. It was similar to one he thought he had solved in 1947. What he was about to discover forty years later would turn his world upside down, and forever change his belief about the Legend known as the Green Dragon and the Elephant Cult associated with it. Benjamin Roe had heard the saying many times. Over the next few weeks it would ring so true--'BURMA IS THE REALM OF DREAMS'.

The most unexpected of all allies to Poseidon's warriors has

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proven to be the fiercest-Daniel, a vampire and Night Guild mage. But even the strongest alliance can be destroyed when a vampire's oath crosses paths with a maiden's quest, and an eleven-thousand-year-old desire is reborn.

BetrayedThe Legend of Oak IslandDundurn

A magical young princess. A 500-year-old witch. A chance for salvation, or oblivion. In this sequel to *The Ugly Princess*, Olive finds herself in love with a wonderful prince who adores her, though many think he's too ugly to claim her. As she makes her plans for the future of her dreams, a witch arrives in the kingdom and that witch is Cassandra Dragon Slayer - the witch who cursed the Winnowwood almost to oblivion.

And now she has her sights set on Olive - the Last of the Winnowwood. As Cassandra lays her trap to capture and kill her, Olive must outwit the deadly witch and lay a trap of her own instead. But how can she outsmart a 500-year-old witch whose power, cleverness and wickedness knows no bounds?

Warring Norsemen, treasure hidden on Oak Island, and mystical adventures on the Irish Isles. Journey through time with the historical adventures in this special four-book collection. Includes: *Broken Circle* Jesse, a twelve-year-old boy of Native American descent, grudgingly follows through with his deceased father's request that he join his uncle on a special camping trip. During their first night around the campfire, Jesse has a vision, and the adventure begins.

Stolen Away Keira, kidnapped from Ireland by Vikings, is a slave living in legendary Vinland. Two native bands, the Beothuck and the Thule, are also fighting over the land, thrusting the Norsemen into war. While the Vikings search for a new home, an accident at sea leaves Keira miraculously saved by a Beothuck warrior. *Betrayed: The Legend of Oak Island* Connor MacDonald and his mother encounter Norwegian prince and Earl of Orkney Henry Sinclair, an adventurer who has sailed to the farthest reaches of the

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known world, who rescues them from highwaymen. Events soon lead Connor, now a squire, his friend Angus and Prince Henry to the shores of Vinland and to Oak Island. The Emerald Key Jamie Galway wakes up from a coma one morning in 1847 after a confrontation with British soldiers. His brother, Ryan, and the ancient Irish text they had sworn to protect are missing. Jamie learns that his brother has been thrown onto a ship bound for Canada, and he must cross the Atlantic to find his brother and the lost key.

Spy tells, for the first time, the full, authoritative story of how FBI agent Robert Hanssen, code name grayday, spied for Russia for twenty-two years in what has been called the “worst intelligence disaster in U.S. history”—and how he was finally caught in an incredible gambit by U.S. intelligence. David Wise, the nation’s leading espionage writer, has called on his unique knowledge and unrivaled intelligence sources to write the definitive, inside story of how Robert Hanssen betrayed his country, and why. Spy at last reveals the mind and motives of a man who was a walking paradox: FBI counterspy, KGB mole, devout Catholic, obsessed pornographer who secretly televised himself and his wife having sex so that his best friend could watch, defender of family values, fantasy James Bond who took a stripper to Hong Kong and carried a machine gun in his car trunk. Brimming with startling new details sure to make headlines, Spy discloses:

- the previously untold story of how the FBI got the actual file on Robert Hanssen out of KGB headquarters in Moscow for \$7 million in an unprecedented operation that ended in Hanssen’s arrest.
- how for three years, the FBI pursued a CIA officer, code name gray deceiver, in the mistaken belief that he was the mole they were seeking inside U.S. intelligence. The innocent officer was accused as a spy and suspended by the CIA for nearly two years.
- why Hanssen spied, based on exclusive

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interviews with Dr. David L. Charney, the psychiatrist who met with Hanssen in his jail cell more than thirty times. Hanssen, in an extraordinary arrangement, authorized Charney to talk to the author. • the full story of Robert Hanssen's bizarre sex life, including the hidden video camera he set up in his bedroom and how he plotted to drug his wife, Bonnie, so that his best friend could father her child. • how Hanssen and the CIA's Aldrich Ames betrayed three Russians secretly spying for the FBI—including tophat, a Soviet general—who were then executed by Moscow. • that after Hanssen was already working for the KGB, he directed a study of moles in the FBI when—as he alone knew—he was the mole. Robert Hanssen betrayed the FBI. He betrayed his country. He betrayed his wife. He betrayed his children. He betrayed his best friend, offering him up to the KGB. He betrayed his God. Most of all, he betrayed himself. Only David Wise could tell the astonishing, full story, and he does so, in masterly style, in *Spy*.

A mother. A daughter. A family torn apart. The heartbreaking true story of an unimaginable betrayal For the first six years of her life, Sarah Harris was a normal, happy, popular little girl. But from the age of six her life was a living hell - as she became the victim of a vicious eighteen-month hate campaign. Before long she was suspended from school, alienated from her friends, completely bewildered and utterly terrified. Her happy childhood had been destroyed forever. For her mother, Lyndsey, it was a life beyond her worst nightmares. Her little girl, the daughter she loved so much, seemed to have transformed overnight, doing things unthinkable in a six-year-old child - things that made Lyndsey scared of her own child. Stealing razor blades. Attempting to poison her friends. And accusing her parents of sexual abuse. Soon Lyndsey's marriage was on the verge of collapse, social services stepped in, and suddenly Lyndsey

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was fighting to keep her family together and to save her daughter's sanity. The only person who stood by Lyndsey was Tanya, Lyndsey's best friend of fourteen years and the one woman she could turn to, the one friend she would trust with her life. But then Lyndsey received a phone call from Tanya's husband and the horrific truth was revealed: Sarah was innocent, and Lyndsey was a victim of the most hurtful betrayal of all ...

Before BENGHAZI, There was EXTORTION 17.... August 06, 2011, 2:20 a.m.—Operation Lefty Grove is underway, a highly dangerous mission to take out another high-level Taliban operative, three months after the death of Osama Bin Laden. In the dark of night, twenty-five US Special Ops Forces and a five-man flight crew on board Extortion 17, a CH-47 Chinook helicopter. Seven unidentified Afghan Commandos are allowed to join them. Ground forces have already been engaged in a three-hour exhaustive battle. Extortion 17's specially trained warriors drop into the Hot Landing Zone to help their fellow warriors. But there's a problem: the standard chopper escorts have all been directed elsewhere. Mission directions are unclear. Worse, pre-assault fire to cover the Chinook transporting our brave fighting men is not ordered. On that fateful night, Extortion 17 would never touch down. Taliban fighters fired three rocket-propelled grenades (RPGs) in rapid succession. The first RPG shot below the Chinook, but the second made contact in what the military would later describe as a “one-in-a-million shot.” The shot struck a rotor blade on the aft (rear) pylon, shearing off ten and a half feet of the blade. The third shot flew above the falling chopper. Within a matter of seconds, the chopper begins to spin violently out of control and then drops vertically into a dry creek bed and is engulfed in a large fireball. There are no survivors. The thirty brave Americans lost that night were more than just warriors. They were husbands, fathers,

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brothers, and sons. Billy Vaughn's son, Aaron Carson Vaughn, was one of them. Over the next few months as unsettling information on the tragic incident is released to the families, Billy Vaughn becomes increasingly disturbed. Billy discovers that US military forces are not being led to win battles, but have been sent on a fool's errand to "win the hearts and minds" of other nations. He is told that the US Rules of Engagement have prevented our brave defenders from defending themselves. Adding insult to injury, Billy learned that a Muslim Imam was invited by our own US military leaders to "pray" over his son's dead body. As US war heroes lay in their caskets before their last flight home, the Imam damned America's fallen warriors as "infidels" who would burn in hell. As US military leaders observed the ceremony at Bagram Air Base, the Imam boasted over the deaths of US heroes with words such as, "The companions of heaven [Muslims] are the winners." Betrayed is a heart rending account in America's history, an engaging story of faith, patriotism, honor, duty and loss. Betrayed is not just the biography of an American military family, it is a crucial, true-life narrative that every American must read and understand about their government and the danger America's military strategy currently poses to all families. Betrayed is a book Billy Vaughn wishes he didn't have to write. But his son is gone and there are still unanswered questions. He needs to know if finding the truth may prevent another father from standing in his shoes.

The riveting true story of the rise and fall of Murder, Inc. and the executioner-turned-informant whose mysterious death became a turning point in Mob history. In the fall of 1941, a momentous trial was underway that threatened to end the careers and lives of New York's most brutal mob kingpins. The lead witness, Abe Reles, had been a trusted executioner for Murder, Inc., the enforcement arm of a coast-to-coast mob

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network known as the Commission. But the man responsible for coolly silencing hundreds of informants was about to become the most talkative snitch of all. In exchange for police protection, Reles was prepared to rat out his murderous friends, from Albert Anastasia to Bugsy Siegel—but before he could testify, his shattered body was discovered on a rooftop outside his heavily-guarded hotel room. Was it a botched escape, or punishment for betraying the loyalty of the country's most powerful mobsters? Michael Cannell's *A Brotherhood Betrayed* traces the history of Murder, Inc. through Reles' rise from street punk to murder chieftain to stool pigeon, ending with his fateful death on a Coney Island rooftop. It resurrects a time when crime became organized crime: a world of money and power, depravity and corruption, street corner ambushes and elaborately choreographed hits by wise-cracking foot soldiers with names like Bugsy Goldstein and Tick Tock Tannenbaum. For a brief moment before World War II erupted, America fixated on the delicate balance of trust and betrayal on the Brooklyn streets. This is the story of the one man who tipped the balance.

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