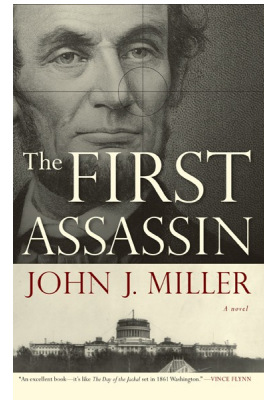


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The First Assassin

A novel by John J. Miller



In the spring of 1861, Abraham Lincoln takes the oath of office, a nation begins to break apart—and Colonel Charles Rook must risk insubordination to stop a mysterious assassin who prowls a nervous city. He will need the help of an ally he does not even know he has: Portia, a beautiful slave who holds a vital clue, hundreds of miles away.

In *The First Assassin*, debut novelist John J. Miller invents a riveting plot based on extensive research. “This is a historical thriller, so it’s fiction,” says Miller. “But I tried to make the setting as authentic as possible. I’d like readers to think that even though the story is a product of my imagination, it *could* have happened.”

The result is a blend of fiction and fact—a mix so compelling that bestselling author Brad Thor raves: “John J. Miller is the hot new author everyone will be talking about.”

Miller worked on *The First Assassin* for more than 13 years. “It’s not like I toiled for hours and hours each day,” he says. “But from the moment I had the idea for the story, I knew this was a book I had to write. I probably thought about it everyday. And believe me, there was plenty of toiling, too.”

The First Assassin (\$14.99, softcover) is published by Woodbridge Press, Miller’s own imprint. “I’ve published with Doubleday and other major houses,” says Miller. “For this book, however, I wanted to take a more entrepreneurial approach and have greater control over the final product.”

The First Assassin is available exclusively online through Amazon.com and its subsidiary Createspace.com.

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