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BLIND TREASON

The True-Life Story of an American Spy Left Out in the Cold

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THE COVER-UP

Some secrets are too dangerous for the truth to survive.

ABOUT THE BOOK

On April 4, 1997, U.S. Naval Intelligence Officer Jack Daly boarded a Canadian CH-124 Sea King helicopter for a surveillance mission against the Russian merchant vessel *Kapitan Man*, five nautical miles inside U.S. territorial waters in the Strait of Juan de Fuca. The pilot, Royal Canadian Air Force Captain Patrick Barnes, and Daly were both struck in the eyes by a classified Russian laser weapon. The injuries were permanent. The U.S. government denied the incident publicly for nearly three decades. *Blind Treason* is the firsthand account of the attack, the Washington cover-up that buried it, and the retired Naval Intelligence Officer who refused to stay silent once the 25-year declassification rule closed.

STORY ANGLES FOR MEDIA

- **Russia / National Security:** The 1997 laser attack was an opening shot in a campaign that now includes Havana Syndrome, cyberattacks, and targeting of Western journalists.
- **Government Accountability:** A working case study of what happens to a U.S. officer when telling the truth would embarrass the wrong people in Washington.
- **Declassification:** The first U.S. officer to fully document an incident the government denied at the time, with declassified records now backing the account.

FOR READERS OF: *Permanent Record (Snowden) · Secrets (Ellsberg) · Legacy of Ashes (Weiner) · and fans of Tom Clancy, Vince Flynn, and Brad Thor who have never read a story like this one because the story is true.*

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Jack Daly is a retired Lieutenant Commander, U.S. Navy, whose fifteen-year Naval Intelligence career focused on the former Soviet Union and Russia. A Mustang officer commissioned through OCS after prior enlisted service, he survived the 1997 Russian laser attack documented in this book. Following retirement from the Department of Defense, he works as a voice-over artist and writes from Pennsylvania.

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