

# History in One Act: A novel of 9/11

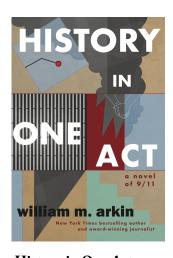
## by William M. Arkin

Featherproof is thrilled to present *History in One Act: A novel of 9/11*, the first novel by national-security expert, bestselling author, and award-winning journalist William M. Arkin.

*History in One Act* is a fresh retelling of 9/11 that immerses readers into two worlds: *al Qaeda* and American espionage. We know how that tragic day culminated, but as Arkin walks us deeper into its origins, we come to understand that 9/11 was neither the beginning nor the end—that everyone has a reason for what they do, that individuals matter, that history can be created in one act.

In his debut novel, William M. Arkin answers questions nobody else, even 20 years later, seems to be asking: Why did it happen? Who were these people? Can we ever hope to thwart terrorism if we don't understand those who wish us harm? Arkin's formidable career—as an Army intelligence analyst, human rights scholar, military consultant, and journalist—uniquely equips him to bridge these seemingly disparate worlds.

In this unique book (fully end-noted and based on original classified documents), Arkin presents an alternate record of true history, forcing the reader to grapple with a startling new vision of why this attack happened and how our indifference to the human strivings and grievances of the perpetrators made us blind then—and still blinds us today.



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It's astounding that it took 20 years (and a novel) to finally put us into the mindset of the masterminds and hijackers. As my friend the late Adm. Jack Shanahan said, 'We're creating terrorists faster than we can kill them.' This book is a step in ending that senseless cycle.

—Ben Cohen, activist and co-founder of Ben & Jerry's

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[With *History in One Act*,] Al Qaeda's members exist in a universe of the author's creation, but they speak and think in ways that faithfully represent the worldview of people who once studied, lived in, and ultimately shaped our world.

—Alex Park, "9/11: The Novel" in Current Affairs

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#### History in One Act

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