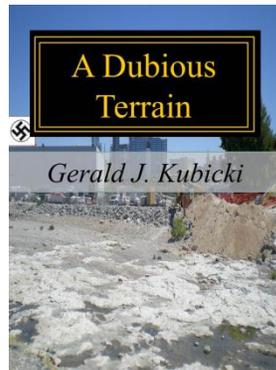


Could the Power of Homeland Security be Abused?

Gerald J. Kubicki's Novel, "A Dubious Terrain," Uses Fiction to Address an Important Issue



Many Americans are concerned about the number of liberties that Homeland Security is taking with their liberties and feel that they are abusing their power. In *A Dubious Terrain*, the fourth installment in the Dubious Mystery series, author Gerald J. Kubicki uses fiction to treat this important issue and make some valuable commentary through his characters.

Colton Banyon and his girlfriend, Loni, uncover an insidious plot to dissolve our national freedoms. The plot is connected to a Nazi organization, politicians, the fight game in Las Vegas, and Homeland Security.

Kubicki's characters become mouthpieces for Americans' justifiable concerns. When Loni becomes irate that their home has been bugged, it is explained to her that "the Homeland Security program is not bad. It is much needed. But there are a few bad people in the system."

Banyon expresses his own fears that "This is power that will corrupt if it hasn't already. This is a repeat of history, German history." He also makes it clear that this is not a liberal issue as some would propose, rather, it is an *American* issue; "I'm no bleeding heart liberal, but I also don't want my rights as an American to be muted... we have the makings of the first stages of dictatorship."

On this topic, Kubicki says, "To be sure, we need to be better protected in today's crazy world environment... But do they have too much power? In my book, they do. In a closed-mouthed vertical organization like Homeland Security, one man can make a big difference. It is something to keep in mind."

Kubicki brings issues that are at the forefront of every American's mind to his action-packed story, fusing all of the traditional elements of a mystery adventure with important thematic elements. Readers will inevitably be left anxious for the next two installments in the Dubious Mystery series: *A Dubious Plan* and *A Dubious Artifact*.

Gerald J. Kubicki



Gerald J. Kubicki considers himself “an average guy who can write.” He was born and raised on Eastern Long Island in the Westhampton area, attended college at SUNY Plattsburgh, and moved to New York City, where he was hired by a major manufacturer of food products that trained him how to be an executive, to believe that anything is possible, and exposed him to the broader world. As an executive, consultant, and founder of an English language school in China, Kubicki traveled all over the world, which is reflected in his books.

He currently lives in Las Vegas, the setting of *A Dubious Terrain*. Although Kubicki did not start writing until late in life, he is already a prolific author; he writes a new novel every three months, spending one month researching, one month writing, and one month golfing before starting the next novel.

The Dubious Mystery Series

The Dubious Mystery Series centers on protagonist Colton Banyon, an “average guy” who loves history, has a weakness for beautiful women, and is good at solving mysteries. Readers were first introduced to Banyon in *A Dubious Mission*; he has returned for three more mystery adventures: *A Dubious Secret*, *A Dubious Dream*, and *A Dubious Terrain*.

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