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ATTORNEY PUBLISHES LEGAL THRILLER THAT ASKS TOUGH QUESTIONS ABOUT DEATH ROW

The Villages, FL – October 2012 – The award-winning legal thriller *Unintended Consequences* from attorney Marti Green is now available in paperback and Kindle e-book editions.

Unintended Consequences introduces attorney Dani Trumball, an appeals writer for the nonprofit group The Help Innocent Prisoners Project. Dani is drawn to the case of an Indiana father who is been sentenced to death for killing his child. He has always claimed his innocence, but never explained what really happened to his missing daughter. After nineteen years, he's ready to talk. Dani has just six weeks to prove he's telling the truth and stop his execution.

The author, a corporate attorney, was drawn to the idea of writing about a man who continues to declare his innocence even as he faces death. "Whether or not the public supports or opposes the death penalty," she says, "It should shock the conscience when an innocent person is executed. With the advent of DNA evidence more or those cases are discovered. But not all crimes are prosecuted based on DNA evidence. One has to wonder in those cases if some innocent man or woman has been wrongly executed."

Prior to publication, *Unintended Consequences* won the 2010 *Florida Writers Association Royal Palm Award, Thriller/ Suspense* and the *Do It Write Literary Competition*.

Green belongs to the Florida Writers Association, is available for interviews, book club appearances, speaking engagements, and/or guest articles.

Yankee Clipper Press is a small, independent press based in Florida and distributed to retailers via the Ingram Book Company.

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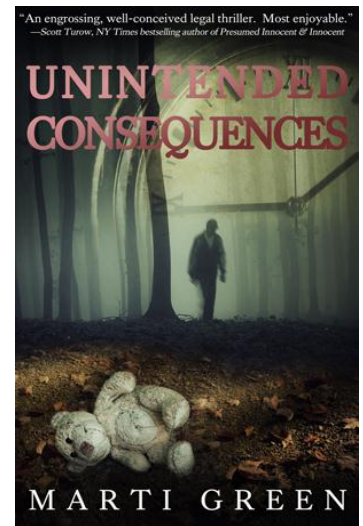
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About Marti Green

After receiving her Master of Science degree and New York State Professional Certificate in school psychology, Marti Green realized her true passion was the law. She went on to receive her law degree from Hofstra University and worked as in-house counsel for a major cable television operator for twenty-five years, specializing in contracts, intellectual property law, and regulatory issues. A passionate traveler who has visited six continents, Marti Green now lives in central Florida with her husband, Lenny, and cat, Howie. She has two adult sons and four grandchildren.

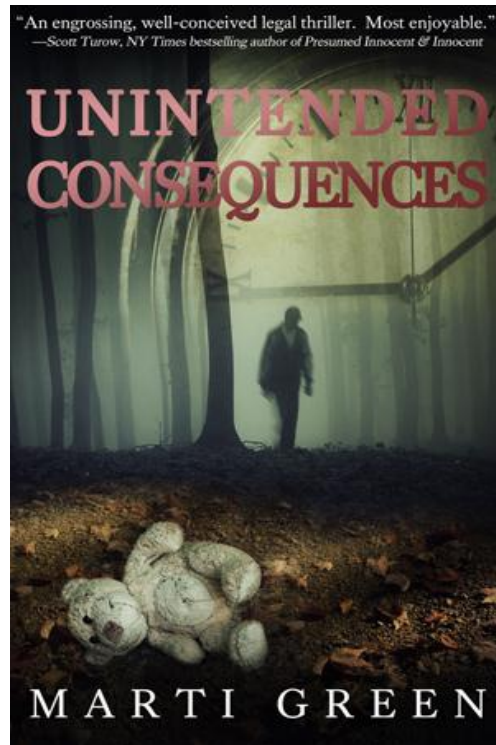
Interview Questions

1. You've been a lawyer for more than twenty-five years. Have you ever worked on a case like this one, where a person's life was at stake?
2. Your book centers around a man who claims that he was wrongly accused of a crime, and was sent to death row. With the advent of DNA and other forensic testing, are people still being wrongly convicted of crimes?
3. Your primary character, Dani Trumball, is a working mom who's trying to juggle a special needs child and a challenging career. How did you handle being a working mom when your kids were younger?
4. What's next for you as a writer? Any other projects planned or underway?
5. Any advice for other writers who are making their way toward publication?

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Who Are the Wrongly Accused?

- There have been 297 post-conviction DNA exonerations in the United States.\
- The first DNA exoneration took place in 1989. Exonerations have been won in 36 states
- Mistaken eyewitness identifications contributed to approximately 75% of the 297 wrongful convictions in the United States overturned by post-conviction DNA evidence.
- The average length of time served by exonerees is 13 years. The total number of years served is approximately 3,944.
- Over 25 percent of the more than 290 wrongful convictions overturned by DNA evidence in the U.S. have involved some form of a false confession.
- Researchers who study this phenomenon have determined that the following factors contribute to or cause false confessions:
 - Real or perceived intimidation of the suspect by law enforcement
 - Use of force by law enforcement during the interrogation, or perceived threat of force

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- Compromised reasoning ability of the suspect, due to exhaustion, stress, hunger, substance use, and, in some cases, mental limitations, or limited education
- Devious interrogation techniques, such as untrue statements about the presence of incriminating evidence
- Fear, on the part of the suspect, that failure to confess will yield a harsher punishment

Statistics compiled from The Innocence Project: www.innocenceproject.org.

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