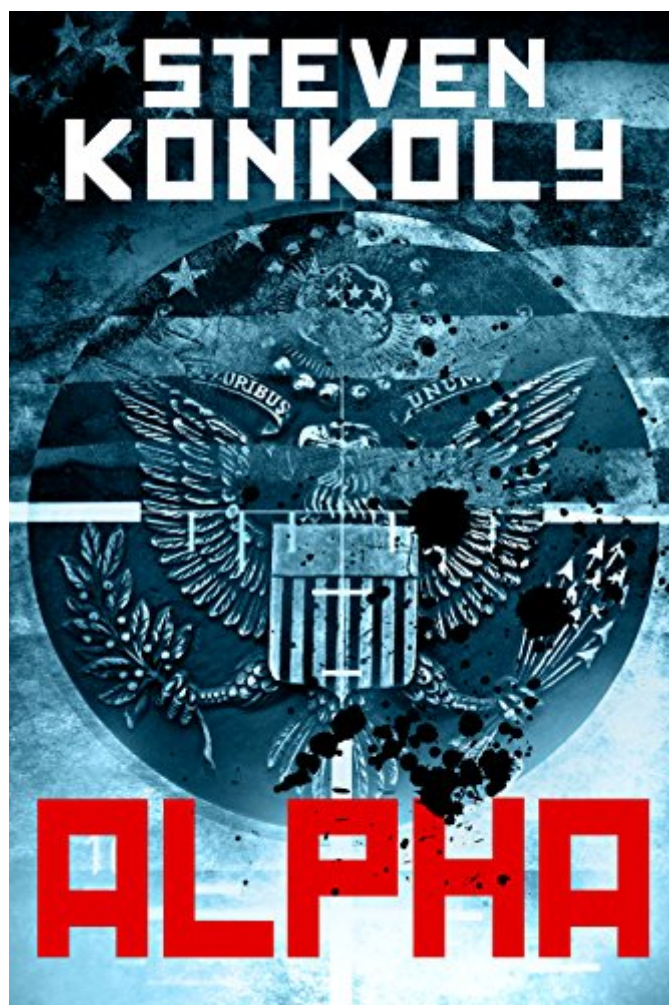


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# ALPHA: A Black Flagged Thriller (The Black Flagged Series Book 1)



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A man with a buried past Daniel Petrovich, the most lethal operative created by the Department of Defense's Black Flag Program, protects a secret buried in the deepest vaults of the Pentagon. Blackmailed into executing one final mission by his former commanding officer, General Terence Sanderson, Daniel's carefully constructed life rapidly disintegrates into a relentless federal manhunt and a race against the clock to suppress the shocking truth about his past. To survive, he'll release the darkest side of his concealed identity. A dark side with few boundaries and even fewer loyalties.

A disbanded Black Ops project rises from the ashes Former Delta Force commander, General Terrence Sanderson, waits in the shadows for the right moment to demonstrate the grim necessity of his resurrected Black Flag program. His opportunity may arrive sooner than expected. A rogue Russian scientist, obsessed with reviving a bio-weapons program long banned by the Russian government, has found partners willing to fund a devastating bioweapons project. Sanderson's newly formed team turns out to be the West's only real hope to stop a plot with unimaginable consequences.

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Steven has been there and done that, lending a rare authenticity to his covert operations novels.      20th Combat Equipment Jump with 1st Anglico, 1999  
Final days as a senior Lieutenant, USN, 2001      Maritime Interception Officer, Arabian Gulf, 1995

Thrill ride and a half! Lots of players to track. Action and intrigue a plenty. Complex plot that constantly surprises the deeper you read. Superbly written with gripping passages like "They would

have to do this the hard way, which was Petrovich's specialty" , "Daniel guessed that he wasn't the only program graduate with secrets that the general would rather see buried in an unmarked grave" and "He also thinks this one twisted the knife around more than necessary. I wouldn't want to run into the person that pulled this off..." Definitely made for the movies, have to satisfy myself with reading the next four sequels for now. Immediately adding this author to my favorites once I end this review. Excellent!

I understand that I just have to keep reading books like this and it will eventually all make sense. Well this one didn't. Too many people, too many groups, who are the good guys, who are the bad guys. At some point this should resolve. If anything this one got more confusing setting you up for the next book.

I've had this series on my Kindle for quite a while, picked it as my vacation read a couple of weeks ago, and absolutely loved it. A cross between Vince Flynn and Jason Bourne (to mix authors and characters), it keeps you on the edge of your seat. I love the technical details described throughout the books, those interested in weapons details will be thrilled. It's similar to another favorite author, M L Buchman, who writes a different genre with detailed descriptions. I also enjoyed the international history and conflicts described, they really add depth to the stories. The characters are well-developed, especially as you move through the series. They each have their flaws and demonstrate that reality is mostly a gray area, especially when you have to weight life and death. In the first book, it's a bit difficult to figure out who's the bad guy and who's the good guy and if you really like the main protagonist or not. It does become more clear as you read through the series although you may not agree on the moral compromises made. I do appreciate the author's attempts to remain politically neutral. I'm just starting Book 4 and will be sorry to reach the end, although the new series sounds pretty good too.

Took a chance on Black Flagged book #1... new author and all that... one of my better decisions. This is excellent. Sort of mid-way between Lee Child and Tom Clancy, but without Clancy's proclivity to indulge in his favorite party trick of

Let's-See-How-Many-Plot-Points-I-Can-Juggle-At-The-Same-Time. I have subsequently read Black Flagged books #2 & #3. I can tell you that this series is well worth reading. Very gritty and some interesting twists; Mr. Konkoly can certainly write. If I had to sum up his style in just one word it would be... immersive. Purely as an aside, I love how there are subtle popular culture references

occasionally sprinkled in - but I hasten to add, not too many; they're used with restraint. Just bought #4 today and looking forward to that! This is a crowded field, but when Russell Blake - writer of the great 'Jet' series - happily praises Konkoly, you know it's something exceptional. There is a great future for this author.

To me, this is a mixture of International Intrigue, Law Enforcement, and Military genres. A man of many names has retired from a life he thought was behind him until a call and a threat changes everything. Now on the run from the authorities, he has to make life alternating decisions "on the fly". I really love how Mr. Konkoly shares not only this man's point of view but those of the people who are seeking him. I'm afraid if I say too much more I might give something away to prospective readers. Warning: There is Violence as well as Adult Language and Situations.

To me, Robert Ludlum has always been the best of the "conspiracy thriller" writers. Well, I just finished Black Flagged: Alpha in one day and I have the same feelings I had after finishing one of Ludlum's best: mind-blown and breathless at the ride I have just taken. Steven Konkoly, thank you for introducing me to Daniel Petrovich. Daniel Petrovich is a former covert operative living the quiet life in Maine with his wife Jessica when he is called back to perform one last job by his former commander. What follows is a twisting, bloody, adrenaline-pumping race as Daniel tries to stay ahead of the FBI, CIA, and multiple law enforcement agencies trying to capture/kill him after his cover is blown. To try to explain the plot further would take too many words. There are inter-agency rivalries and vendettas, long-buried secrets surfacing and rampant paranoia that keep Daniel literally running for his life. And just when you think you've got a grip on the action, Konkoly throws in a few final plot twists I never saw coming (I love it when that happens!). This story is brilliantly constructed, the characters are well-drawn and developed, the pacing is amped to the max. If you like your conspiracies convoluted and crazed, this book is for you. Note: The only complaint I have with this book is the editing. There were just enough minor grammatical errors (past and present tenses in the same sentence, etc.) to pull my attention away from the story momentarily. But for that, this was a near-perfect reading experience for me. Well done!

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