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- a. 1. For four (4) years following the Publisher's announced date of publication, to submit on April 1 semiannual statements of sales as of December 31 and on October 1 semiannual statements of sales as of June 30, and to pay to the Author the amounts due the Author thirty (30) days later (May 1 and November 1). After four (4) years, the Publisher reserves the right to render annual statements as of December 31 on April 1 should the sale of the Work be fewer than two hundred (200) copies per year. Whenever the annual sales fall below fifty (50) copies, and after notification of the fact to the Author, no accounting will be made until the next annual settlement date after such sales aggregate fifty (50) copies. In rendering any statement of sales and earnings, the Publisher will have the right to withhold a reasonable reserve against returns of copies of the Work.
- 2. If the Author has received any overpayment of earnings as a result of returns, by way of error, or otherwise, the Publisher may deduct the amounts of this overpayment from any future earnings hereunder or on other books of the Author which may be published by the Publisher or a company owned by or affiliated with it, Publisher determines, in its reasonable judgment, that such overpayment will not be recouped from earnings which may be payable to the Author at the Publisher's next accounting, the Publisher may forthwith demand repayment from the Author and the Author shall promptly make such repayment.
- 3. The Author or the Author's authorized representative will have the right, upon written request, to examine the books of account of the Publisher insofar as they relate to the Work, which examination will be at the cost of the Author unless errors of accounting amounting to five percent (5%) or more of the total sums paid to the Author will be found to the Author's disadvantage, in which case the cost will be paid by the Publisher.

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b. To report promptly to the Author or the Author's representative any contracts entered into for the sale of any rights granted and licensed hereunder whenever the Author's share of the guaranteed payment or royalty is to be one hundred dollars (\$100.00) or more. Contracts may be examined by the Author or the Author's representative at the Publisher's office, but copies will be furnished only upon written request.

OVERSTOCK

ELEVENTH: One (1) year after the Publisher's announced date of publication or any time thereafter if the Publisher has an overstock of the Work, the Publisher will have the right to dispose of said overstock as it may see fit, subject to the royalties hereinbefore specified; except that, if by disposition of such overstock the Work will no longer be available from the Publisher in the near future, then the Publisher will make a reasonable effort to notify the Author or the Author's representative of its intentions and afford the Author the opportunity to buy all or any part of such overstock at fifteen percent (15%) of the catalog retail price plus a reasonable charge for delivery. If the Author purchases any such overstock at this price no royalties shall be paid thereon.

OUT OF PRINT, TERMINATION AND REVERSION OF RIGHTS

TWELFTH: If all editions of the Work in the U.S.A. and Canada which have been published or licensed by the Publisher are out of print, and if, within six (6) months after written demand by the Author or the Author's representative, the Publisher does not agree to provide within an additional six (6) months adequate stock to meet the normal demand for the Work or to arrange for a reprint or book-club edition which will be published within eighteen (18) months from the date of the Author's written demand, then, upon repayment of any overpayment of royalties (excluding any unearned advance) or other sums due, such as purchases unpaid for, this Agreement will forthwith terminate and all rights in the Work will revert to the Author who will also have the right for a period of thirty (30) days thereafter to buy the negative or positive film, electrotypes, plates, engravings and stamping dies, if existing, at one third (1/3) their cost to the Publisher, including composition. Termination of this Agreement is subject, however, to any options or licenses previously granted by either party and to the continuing payment to the Publisher of its share of the proceeds from such licenses or options.

PROMOTIONAL EXCERPT

THIRTEENTH: Notwithstanding the rights granted the Publisher under THIRD f hereof, the purchaser of any of the rights enumerated in THIRD h hereof shall be granted the right to publish in any and all forms, but not exceeding seven thousand five hundred (7,500) words in length, excerpts, summaries and dramatizations of the Work, for the sole purpose of advertising and promotion of the particular exploitation of the Work produced by said purchaser.

PUBLISHER'S LIABILITY

FOURTEENTH: The Publisher is not an insurer of manuscripts, drawings or other property of the Author placed by the Author in the Publisher's possession, and the Publisher will not be liable for any loss or damage thereto. In this regard the Publisher will not be required to carry insurance for the benefit of the Author.

BANKRUPTCY

FIFTEENTH: In the case of bankruptcy or liquidation of the Publisher for any cause whatever, provided the Publisher is not in default for thirty (30) days or more on any payments due the Author, the Author will have an option for ninety (90) days to buy back the rights of publication, also plates or film, bound copies and sheets, at their fair market value to be determined promptly by agreement, and thereupon this Agreement will terminate. In the event the Publisher is in thirty (30) days' default to the Author, the above option will be broadened to permit recovery of publication rights without payment for such rights upon purchase by the Author of plates, film, bound copies and sheets.

ASSIGNMENT

SIXTEENTH: This Agreement will be binding upon and inure to the benefits of the heirs, executors and administrators of the Author and the successors and assigns of the Publisher, provided that no assignment of this Agreement, in whole or in part, by either party shall be valid and binding upon the other without its prior written approval, other than to a successor in business to the Publisher who purchases all or substantially all of the Publisher's assets with the intent to carry on the business of publishing.

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and severally liable to the Publisher for the full performance of all terms and conditions to be performed by all Authors. In such case, any one or either of their agents, if any, may be designated in this Agreement to act on behalf of all the Authors jointly, and the Publisher may need to the Author or agent so designated as representative of and binding upon all the Authors; and in the absence of such designation, the Publisher may deal with any one of the Authors as the agent and representative of all, and may rely on the acts of such Author

MARGINAL DESCRIPTIONS

EIGHTEENTH: Descriptive words and statements used in the margin of this Agreement to describe the contents of certain paragraphs thereof are not to be deemed a part of this Agreement or as a representation as to the contents thereof. Each party agrees that that party has read this entire Agreement and understands the contents thereof.

ENTIRE AGREEMENT

NINETEENTH: This Agreement contains the whole understanding of the parties, supersedes all previous oral or written representations or agreements, and may not be changed, modified or discharged orally. No waiver, modification, change or discharge of this Agreement shall be valid unless it is in writing and signed by the Author and the Publisher. No waiver of any breach shall be deemed a waiver of any subsequent breach.

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GOVERNING LAW TWENTIETH: This Agreement is being made under, and will be governed by, the laws of the State of New York. Any legal proceeding arising out of this Agreement shall be brought only in the courts of record of the County, City and State of New York.

RESERVATION

TWENTY-FIRST: All rights not specifically granted to the Publisher hereunder are reserved by the Author.

NONBINDING

TWENTY-SECOND: This Agreement shall not be binding upon the Publisher until signed by an authorized officer of the Publisher.

(See rider page attached hereto and made a part hereof.)

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have signed and sealed this Agreement at New York, New York, the day and year first above written.

In the presence of:

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f. As an advance against and on account of all moneys accruing to the Author under this Agreement, the Publisher will pay to the Author the sum of ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$100,000) payable as follows:

\$20,000 on signing of this Agreement;

\$20,000 on delivery and acceptance of the complete and final manuscript for Book #1, satisfactory to the Publisher in form and content; \$15,000 on first hardcover publication of Book #1 hereunder; \$ 5,000 on first paperback publication of Book #1 hereunder;

\$ 5,000 on delivery and acceptance of the complete and final outline for Book #2, satisfactory to the Publisher in form and content; \$15,000 on delivery and acceptance of the complete and final manuscript for Book #2, satisfactory to the Publisher in form and content; \$15,000 on first hardcover publication of Book #2 hereunder; \$ 5,000 on first paperback publication of Book #2 hereunder;

TWENTY-THIRD: AVON ROYALITIES

With respect to Avon's paperback editions of the Work, the Publisher agrees to pay to the Author the following royalties, based upon the net retail sales to the public less a reasonable reserve for returnable copies, at the following rates:

- a. On all rack size copies sold in the USA, its territories and possessions (except for premium, mail order or direct mail use or sales at a discount of 60% or more or to paperback book clubs), a royalty, based on the USA suggested retail list price, eight percent (8%) on all copies sold up to and including one hundred and fifty thousand (150,000) copies; and ten percent (10%) on all copies sold thereafter.
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- c. On all copies sold outside the USA, its territories and possessions, or within said territory for export, a royalty of five percent (5%) of the net amount received.
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TWENTY-FOURTH: The Publisher agrees that the royalty statements provided in TENTH:a.1. hereof, shall show separately the amount payable on the regular trade hardbound edition pursuant to the provisions of SEVENIH:a. and on the paperback editions pursuant to the provisions of TWENTY-THIRD.

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TWENTY-FIFTH: The Author hereby appoints Scott Meredith Literary Agency, Inc., 845 Third Avenue, New York, N.Y. 10022, irrevocably as his agent in all matters pertaining to or arising out of this Agreement or related agreements and authorizes irrevocably that all sums of money due the Author under this Agreement or related agreements shall be paid to and in the name of said agent, whose receipt thereof shall constitute a good and valid discharge of all such indebtedness. The Author does hereby irrevocably assign and transfer to Scott Meredith Literary Agency, Inc., and Scott Meredith Literary Agency, Inc., shall retain a sum equal to fifteen percent (15%) of any monies advanced to or disbursements made on behalf of the Author by said agent, out of all monies due and payable to and for the account of the Author under this Agreement or related agreements.

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