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FRANK FOSTER SIGNS PUBLISHING CONTRACT

Boonsboro, MD March 5, 2007 - Hilliard and Harris Publishing Company announced today the signing of an agreement with writer Frank Foster of Lakeland, Florida, for the publication of his series of Lynn Woo mystery thriller novels. The setting for the books is the resort village of Boca Grande on Florida's southwest coast where Foster had a home for many years.

The first book, *Boca Moon*, will be published in mid 2007 and will be available from major booksellers in the United States and most online stores.

Boca Moon's main character is Lynn Woo. After being a Navy hard hat diver and a brief gig in Naval Intelligence, she sells her Chinese restaurant in Tallahassee and moves to Boca Grande. She starts a back-bay nature tour business, hoping to enjoy the easy tropical life, but it doesn't happen because she becomes involved in investigating the murder of her former commanding officer's son-in-law.

Lynn Woo gets help from a huge black sheriff's deputy who is her best island friend, her hand washing lover who has Howard Hughes Syndrome, and she relies on her one-eared black lab, Mullet, for comfort and whimpering understanding. The rest of the diverse cast includes a full-blooded Seminole Indian and his fiery daughter, some seamy commercial fishermen and a quirky sheriff's detective.

"I'm a business guy who always wrote my company's ad copy, the business plans, the model proposals, and actually enjoyed it," Foster said. "I had the novels in me the whole time and they finally demanded to be put on paper."

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“Hilliard and Harris is thrilled to be publishing Frank Foster,” said Shawn Reilly, Editor-in-Chief. “We’re sure his tight mystery plots, fast-paced style, and snappy dialogue will attract a big following.”

Frank Foster lives with his wife, Patti, in Lakeland, Florida, and Cashiers, North Carolina. He is a former chairman of a publicly traded company, and more recently an independent venture capitalist, corporate director, and commercial real estate investor. He’s an ardent conservationist and fly fishing angler.

Hilliard and Harris publishes hard cover and trade paperback books for distribution through major and independent booksellers and online booksellers such as Amazon.com, Borders.com and Barnes & Noble.com in the United States and the United Kingdom. The company specializes in bringing the work of talented, new authors to the market using the latest publishing technologies. For further information, contact Shawn Reilly, Editor-in-Chief, Hilliard and Harris at 301-432-7080 or Frank Foster at 863-687-2115.

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