

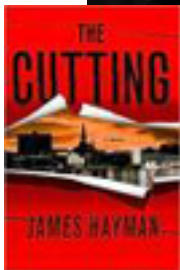
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James Hayman is a distinguished former creative director for a major advertising agency, and the author of *The Cutting*. In this debut novel, James introduces readers to Det. Sgt. Michael McCabe of the Portland, Maine, Police Department. A former NYPD detective, McCabe relocated to raise his 13-year-old daughter in a supposedly safer place and to escape a nasty divorce. When a young woman disappears soon after the body of a 16-year-old girl turns up in a scrap yard with her heart neatly cut out, McCabe fears a serial killer is on the loose. McCabe's investigation leads him and his partner, Det. Maggie Savage, to a prominent cardiac surgeon specializing in transplants. Racing against the clock even as he uncovers more victims, McCabe is determined to find the killer and rescue the missing woman before time runs out.

A graduate of Brown University, James rose through the ranks of the advertising industry, working on accounts like the US Army, Procter & Gamble, and Lincoln/Mercury.

John W. Kurtz is a highly accomplished attorney whose firm oversees an estate planning and elder law practice that gives him the opportunity to help people manage their assets and take control of their futures. In this powerful interview, he discusses his work in the case of *Swope v. Johnson*. Brandy L. Swope, 26, was the only child of plaintiffs Ronald and Patricia Swope. On Oct. 12, 1996, she married defendant Todd Johnson. They had been married for 26 months at the time of her death on Dec. 19, 1998. She died of 26 separate and significant knife wounds all over her body. Johnson called 911 and said that his wife had committed suicide. He later signed a six-page statement admitting that he had killed her. However, with the help of expert testimony, including that of a human fatigue expert who explained away the confession, Johnson was found not guilty in the criminal trial. In the criminal trial, Johnson claimed that his paramour, Revonna Nutt, with whom he had sex on the night of Swope's death, killed his wife. Nutt invoked the Fifth Amendment and refused to testify in front of the jury in Johnson's criminal

trial. The Swopes brought the instant wrongful death action against both Johnson and Nutt. A jury found Johnson 100 percent liable and awarded plaintiffs \$30 million, including \$15 million in punitive damages.

John holds an undergraduate degree from the University of Missouri, a master's degree from the University of Pennsylvania, and a law degree from the University of Missouri Columbia School of Law.

Roger Clark is the founding member and managing partner of Clark, Goldberg & Madruga www.clarkgoldberg.com. In his more than 25 years practicing law, Roger has earned a national reputation as a successful trial attorney representing insurers, cable television providers, and small and large businesses in a broad range of business litigation matters. "My philosophy has always been that the attorneys in this law firm must be prepared not just to 'litigate' a case, but to try it before a judge or jury, while at the same time keeping the client's goals and objectives squarely within our sights." Roger is rated "AV" by Martindale-Hubbell, which is the highest rating that can be bestowed upon an attorney.

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