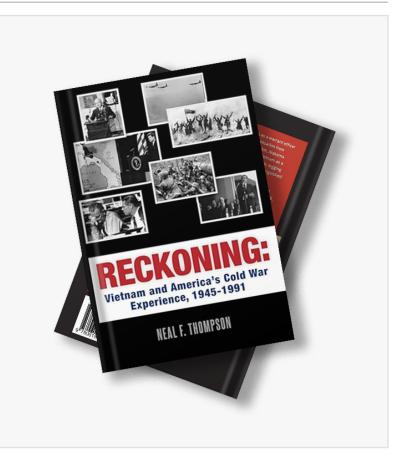


## Unveiling America's Cold War Truths: A Provocative Journey with 'Reckoning' by Neal F. Thompson

CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, UNITED STATES, April 23, 2024 /EINPresswire.com/ --Reckoning: Vietnam and America's Cold War Experience" by Neal F. Thompson, released on October 17, 2022, is a captivating exploration of America's Cold War era, challenging conventional beliefs and revealing hidden truths. Delving into the complexities of historical events, Thompson's work offers a fresh perspective on the Vietnam War and its broader implications on American society.

## About the Book:

In "Reckoning," Thompson boldly challenges Cold War orthodoxy, in which those who rule our dominant institutions, both left and right, have arrived today at the following two-part



consensus: 1) this country was led to defeat in Southeast Asia by competent, "well-meaning and intelligent men" through an almost endless cascade of mistakes, miscommunications, miscalculations and misjudgments, all undertaken, honestly and in good faith, with the best interests of this country in mind;

"The system" was a "well-functioning democracy" throughout, and it "worked." As Thompson demonstrates, there were no "well-meaning and intelligent men," there were no mistakes undertaken in good faith, and "the system" was as dysfunctional as our leaders were incompetent and corrupt.

About the author:

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## Availability:

Dive into the pages of "Reckoning" by Neal F. Thompson and embark on a transformative journey through America's Cold War truths. Challenge your perceptions, engage with history, and discover a new perspective on one of the most pivotal periods in modern history.

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