

Next In Line Delivers A Sharp, Hilarious Look Inside The Chaos Of Retail Pharmacy Life

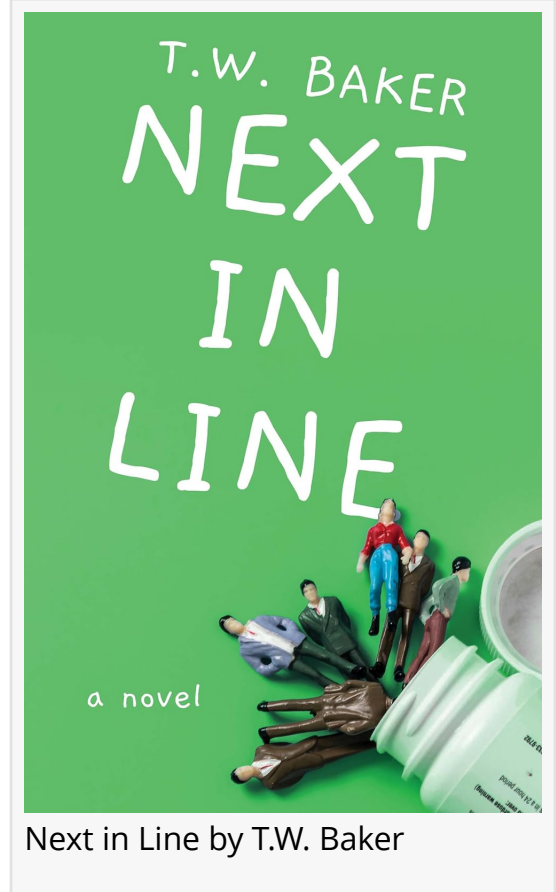
A witty, character driven satire by T. W. Baker turns everyday workplace frustration into laugh out loud comedy with chaotic charm and biting social insight.

NEW YORK CITY, NY, UNITED STATES, February 4, 2026 /EINPresswire.com/ -- T. W. Baker brings readers behind the counter in Next in Line, a fast paced satire that captures the absurdity, stress, and dark humor of customer service culture through the lens of a retail pharmacy. Set inside Mortar and Pestle RX, the novel transforms a familiar workplace into a stage for comedy, conflict, and survival, where prescriptions are filled, patience is tested, and nothing ever goes according to plan.

At the center of the story are Mic, Janice, Monika, Bronco, and Sammy, five employees held together by caffeine, sarcasm, and the thinnest thread of professionalism. Each brings a distinct personality to the daily chaos, creating an ensemble that reflects the emotional highs and lows of working on the front lines of public interaction. Whether they are dodging irate customers, managing endless lines, or navigating corporate dysfunction, their shifts unfold as a series of escalating misadventures, all with one shared goal, make it to closing time without losing it.

Structured in a comic, episodic style, Next in Line mirrors the rhythm of a long workday, where small frustrations snowball into moments of collective disbelief. Baker balances sharp observation with playful exaggeration, finding humor in passive aggressive Post it note wars, policy contradictions, and the unfiltered thoughts employees are never allowed to say out loud. The result is a story that is relentlessly funny, while still grounded in the realities of modern work culture.

The inspiration behind the novel speaks to anyone who has worked retail, waited in line too long, or wondered what employees are really thinking behind practiced smiles. Baker uses satire to



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highlight the emotional labor required in customer facing jobs and the disconnect between corporate expectations and human reality. Beneath the comedy, the book also touches on burnout, teamwork, and the strange, enduring bonds formed under pressure.

T. W. Baker is an author known for blending humor with keen social observation. With *Next in Line*, Baker delivers a character focused workplace comedy that celebrates resilience, camaraderie, and the shared absurdity of everyday life on the job.

The book is now available. Readers can purchase *Next in Line* on Amazon at <https://a.co/d/0iipkPug>

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