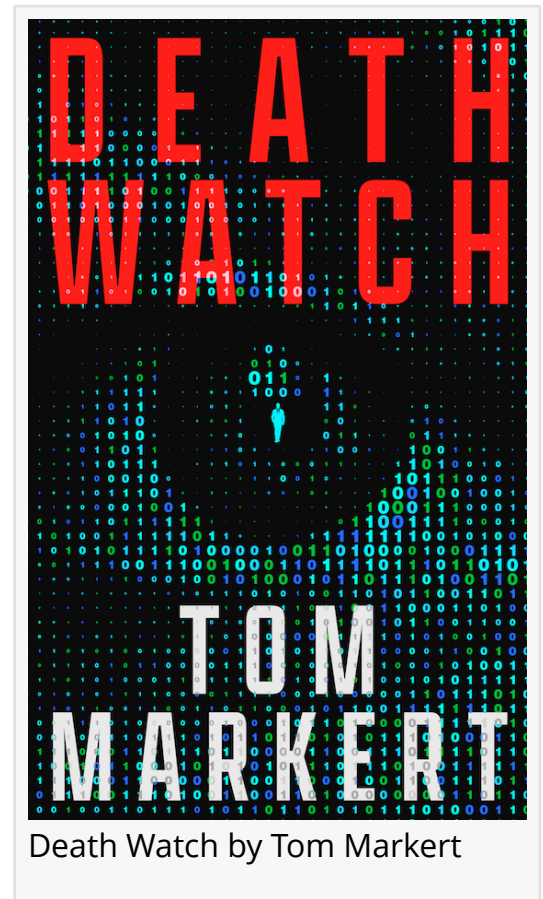


# National Security and Business Leader Tom Markert Releases New Thriller DEATH WATCH

*The author's first major thriller is already charting in the Top 3 on online bestseller lists*

DELRAY BEACH, FL, UNITED STATES, March 3, 2026 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Business person, national security leader, politician, and author Tom Markert today announced the release of his new book, DEATH WATCH — a gripping, high-stakes thriller that has already reached #3 on online bestseller lists in its category. Blending fast-paced fiction with insights informed by real-world vulnerabilities and corporate power structures, DEATH WATCH delivers a story that feels as plausible as it is propulsive.

Markert's background reflects a rare convergence of global business leadership, public service, and security-focused collaboration. This unique combination of experiences lends credibility and realism to the novel's most chilling moments. Over a 30-year international and domestic executive career, he has held senior roles at Procter & Gamble, Citi, Ipsos, Nielsen, and Office Depot, in addition to serving on multiple public and private company boards. He is currently a sitting City of Delray Beach Commissioner, elected in March 2024.



Death Watch by Tom Markert

Additionally, Markert serves as President of the InfraGard National Members Alliance, an FBI-affiliated independent nonprofit organization dedicated to protecting U.S. critical infrastructure and the American people.

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The premise of DEATH WATCH is informed by vulnerabilities Markert has encountered throughout his life and professional career — unsettling possibilities that sit far closer to reality than many people realize.

“Years of exposure to real investigations and incidents left

me with stories I could never quite shake,” Markert said. “Fiction became the place where I could finally explore them. Writing thrillers is a departure from my earlier work, but it feels like the most honest way to capture the complexity and fragility of the world we live in.”

Markert’s decades navigating global boardrooms also shape his portrayal of power, ethics, and decision-making. His corporate experience brings depth and realism to the novel’s examination of who holds influence, how decisions are made under pressure, and what happens when public and private interests collide.

DEATH WATCH introduces readers to Sampson, a reluctant mind reader whose ability to glimpse fragments of the future places him at the center of a deadly conspiracy. After foreseeing a catastrophic airport attack and the attempted assassination of a presidential front-runner, Sampson is thrust into a race against time — one that exposes hidden networks of power, terror, and political manipulation reaching the highest levels of government. The novel ultimately invites readers to consider broader questions of national resilience and the awareness everyday citizens may need to remain vigilant in an increasingly complex world.



Tom Markert

The book is currently available online through major retailers, including [Amazon](#), [Walmart](#), and [Barnes & Noble](#), with in-store and international availability coming soon.

#### More About Tom Markert

Before turning to fiction, Markert authored several widely distributed business and career titles published globally and translated into more than ten languages, including *You Can’t Win a Fight with Your Boss: & 55 Other Rules for Career Success* (2004), *You Can’t Win a Fight with Your Client: & 40 Other Rules for Providing Great Service* (2007), and *101 Rules for Career Success* (2008).

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