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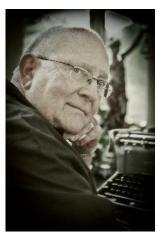
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Veteran Agent Tapped to Represent Mystery Author Tom Collins

Author Tom Collins, Agent Carey Burch and PLA Join Forces

Nashville, TN (November 14, 2012)—Well known veteran TV/film packaging agent Carey Nelson Burch is pleased to announce her representation of mystery writer, Tom Collins. Collins just released his fourth in a series of Mark Rollins mysteries set in Nashville entitled The Claret Murders. Burch's illustrious career includes over 12 years at the William Morris Agency where she sold over 40 'movies of the week'. Her biggest accomplishment was the TNT film, Door to Door: The Bill Porter Story starring William H. Macy which won six Emmy Awards along with a Humanitas, WGA, SAG and Peabody Awards. Carey also worked at Paradigm Entertainment with Bob Banner and had stints at Lorimar TV, Warner Brothers TV and later NBC where she was promoted to Manager of Movies and Miniseries at the studio.



Other successes include selling The Gurin Company's *Singing Bee*, **Freemantle Media's** *Can You Duet?*, and work on PBR's *Posse*, Horizon Entertainment's *Emancipated* as well as securing major national TV appearances for top country artists including Clint Black, Blake Shelton and Sara Evans.

At the helm of her own company, **My Own Shingle**, she serves as consultant/manager/producer for all her writer, author and producer clients and projects which range from feature films, scripted TV, reality programs and books. Burch has partnered with Sharlene Martin of Martin Literary Management and has secured film and TV deals for a number of non-fiction and true crime authors. Recent projects include executive producer for Hallmark's production, *The Shunning*, co-executive producer with Ruckus Films on CMT's movie *Reel Love* starring LeAnn Rimes and Burt Reynolds, and co-executive producer on CMT and Taillight TV's upcoming series, *Raiders of Rock*. She also serves on the Governor's Board for the Tennessee Film, Entertainment and Music Commission, Leadership Music Board, Board of the Nashville Screenwriters Conference, and Board of Film-Com. She is also a member of the Academy of TV Arts and Sciences, CMA, ACM (serving on the TV/Film Committee) and Source.

"I couldn't be more excited having someone of Carey's ability on my professional team," shares Tom Collins. "I am looking forward to more great things for the adventures of Mark Rollins and my second career as an author."

Burch added, "Tom Collins would make Stephen J. Cannell (acclaimed TV and film writer of 21 Jump Street, The Rockford Files and The A-Team) and Dick Wolfe (Law & Order) proud! His ability to capture the reader's attention with engaging characters in uniquely original storylines lend themselves to great reads that one has trouble putting down. And, setting the stories against the backdrop of Nashville brings

about a fresh perspective I have yet to see before. I'm honored to be a part of the team to bring Tom's vision to the big and small screens... and, see these characters come to life."

The recipient of the Lifetime Achievement Award from *Law Technology News*, Tom Collins is one of the pioneering entrepreneurs of the information technology industry. After completing his undergraduate degree from Middle Tennessee State University and later earning his Master's Degree from the University of Alabama, Collins began his career as a CPA with Price Waterhouse in the mid-1960's. After IBM broke with new opportunities to own mainframe computers, Collins left the CPA profession to pursue the emerging new technology services industry. He founded and was the President of Juris, Inc., a leading provider of financial and business information systems for law firms. In 2007, Juris, Inc. was officially acquired by LexisNexis and Collins retired to his home in Franklin, TN. Since retirement, this Tennessee native found a second career as an author of mystery novels. Since 2008, Tom Collins has written and published the series, *The Mark Rollins Adventures*, most recently releasing "The Claret Murders" as the fourth installment.

For more information on Tom Collins and *Mark Rollins Adventures*, please visit www.markrollinsadventures.com.

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