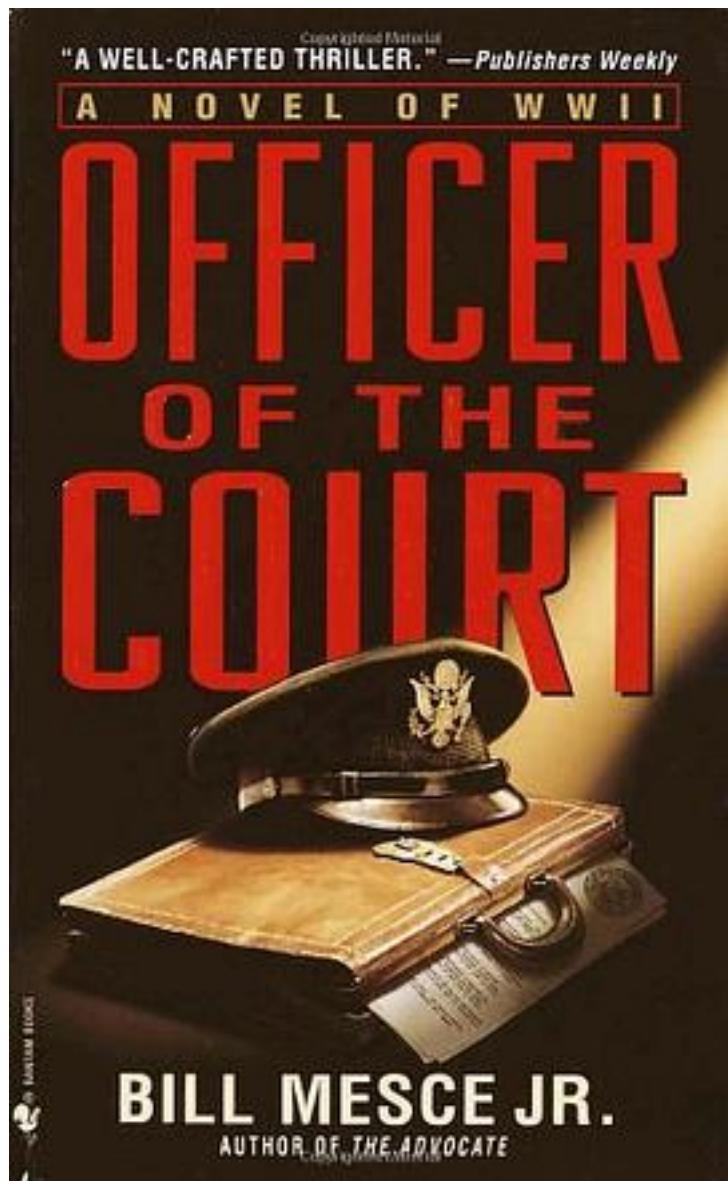


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From the critically acclaimed author of *The Advocate* comes a new novel of military suspense featuring a hero who dares to investigate the crimes that war often hides.

Officer of the Court is the stunning tale of a man defying the military establishment and risking his life to solve a murder — a murder that conceals a shattering act of betrayal.

On a remote Scottish island the body of an American officer has washed ashore. Major Harry Voss, a lawyer in the Army's Judge Advocate's office, doesn't hesitate to take the assignment of finding out who killed Lieutenant Armando Grassi, and why.

Harry worked with Lieutenant Grassi on the case of a murdered American fighter pilot shot down by his own comrades. That inquiry left good men dead, a woman destroyed, and justice undone. For Harry, this is a chance to right the wrongs of the past.

Meanwhile, World War II is raging: London has survived the Blitz, Nazi submarines have been swept out of the North Atlantic, and the Allies are poised for victory on the Italian front. From the beginning, Voss and his new partner, Captain Woody Kneece, are certain that Grassi had uncovered something about secret night flights between England and a remote base in Greenland. Now they must follow Grassi's footsteps. And when they do, they are drawn inexorably into a dangerous conspiracy — and the fiery crucible of the war.

There is far more to Grassi's murder than meets the eye. Harry's investigation will take him from the rear echelons to the front lines in search of the truth. But, as Harry knows, the truth is often the first casualty of war.

In a world where soldiers guard their secrets with their lives and ruthless, powerful men orchestrate world events for their own gain, Harry is facing an almost impossible task. He cannot guess how much this investigation will cost him personally and professionally.

But as he and Kneece, each with something to prove to himself, come closer to a shocking revelation, the more they find themselves challenging a military establishment that takes no prisoners. Here loyalties are meant to be betrayed, allies can turn easily into foes, and the line between combat and cold-blooded murder can become tragically blurred.

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