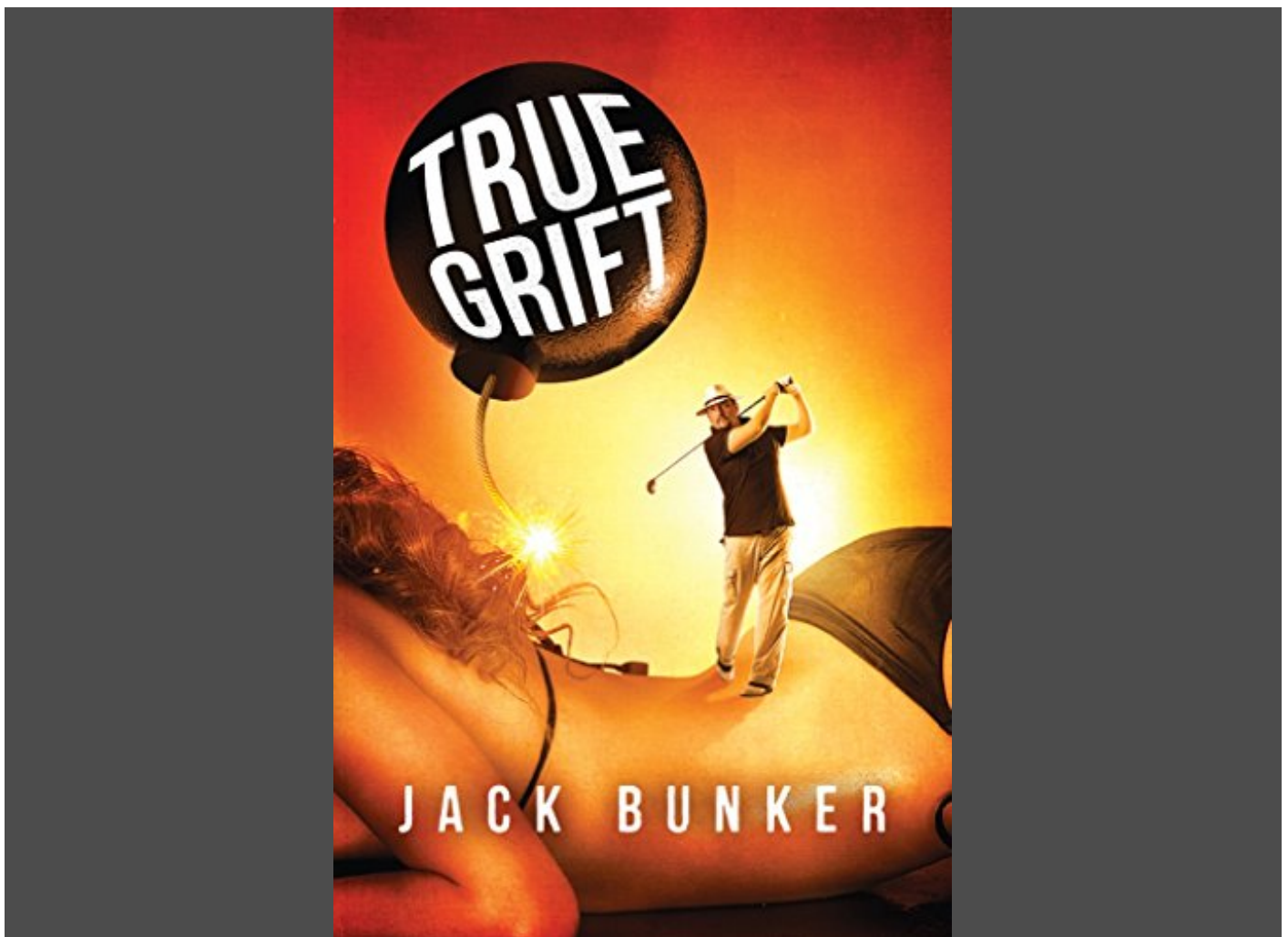


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by Jack Bunker



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A shrewd, darkly-funny, wildly unpredictable crime novel that evokes the very best of Elmore Leonard, John Grisham, and Carl Hiaasen

A bankrupt lawyer and a greedy insurance adjuster concoct a personal injury scam involving a runaway grocery cart and recruit a half-wit golf course greenskeeper as their fall guy. But the plan goes horribly wrong, and as it spirals into a murderous fiasco, the grifters must deal with betrayals, shakedowns, bombs and mobsters to avoid prison... or worse, an early grave in a Southern California landfill.

"If crime paid, they say, it would attract smarter criminals. Jack Bunker's TRUE GRIFT is a rollicking misadventure that might deter anyone who's ever thought about making a quick buck off an insurance company. This first novel is perfect for fans of Elmore Leonard, Carl Hiaasen and Donald E. Westlake – which is to say, all smart readers."

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"TRUE GRIFT is a breezy page-turner that's fun-filled and loaded with laughs from the jump. Donald Westlake fans will love this one," Joseph Wambaugh, bestselling author of "The Blue Knight," "The New Centurions," and "The Onion Field"

"First-time author Jack Bunker displays an effortless, vivid writing style reminiscent of Elmore Leonard with the satirical spin of Carl Hiaasen. It's hard to believe this is his first book. The dialogue is brisk, quick and witty, the situations outrageous but nonetheless believable, and the plotting air tight. The scam-gone-awry with murderous

consequences may be hell for the shyster, but "True Grift" is heaven for the readers," Paul Levine, bestselling author of "Bum Rap"

"True Grift" is a funny, fast-paced, ever-surprising hoot that belongs beside the finest schmoes-on-the-loose novels of Elmore Leonard," Ron Hansen

"With this, his first novel, Jack Bunker proves himself to be a gifted and witty author who knows the law and how the "system" can be manipulated. A great read from first page to last -- you will enjoy every superbly crafted minute of it," Sol Wachtler, former Chief Judge of the State of New York, author of "After the Madness" and "Blood Brothers"

"When an insurance claims manager and a personal injury lawyer who aren't quite as smart as they think they are come up with the perfect insurance scam, what could possibly go wrong? Plenty, as you'll find out in this hilarious novel by Jack Bunker. Fans of Dan Jenkins will love this one," Bill Crider, multiple Shamus & Anthony Award-nominated author of "Outrage at Blanco" and "Between the Living & The Dead"

"Jack Bunker's TRUE GRIFT is a fast and funny read -- sharply written, imaginatively plotted, loaded with wit and local color," Peter Lefcourt, author of "Purgatory Gardens"

"Jack Bunker's impressive debut novel stands out, even among releases by established pros, with terrific characters, fast-moving plot and a great twist at the end that I didn't see coming," Charles Rosenberg, best-selling author of "Death on a High Floor"

"Don't be conned. TRUE GRIFT is the real deal, hilarious and action packed, full of unforgettable characters and a wildly entertaining story," Harry Hunsicker, former Executive Vice President of the Mystery Writers of America, author of "The Grid"



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