

Impeachment prosecutor by day, novelist by night. It wasn't the job description I had planned when I took a position two years ago as legal counsel for the Illinois Speaker of the House, resulting in my role as the House Prosecutor who ousted Governor Rod Blagojevich from office this past January.

But I'm back to my first love—writing—and I'm proud to announce a new series character I am introducing in The Hidden Man.

Jason Kolarich, a mid-30s attorney with a burgeoning law practice, had his life derailed by the tragic deaths of his wife and infant daughter. A former college athlete with a sharp mind and sarcastic tongue, Jason now finds himself with a new outlook, where the ends of justice are more important than the means and rules. Jason is as funny as any character I have ever written; he is physically gifted and backs down from no one; and he can confidently navigate a courtroom.

I have never written a series character, but I found Jason to be the kind of heroic, smart, funny, and “everyman” character that readers are looking for in a series today. I hope you will enjoy The Hidden Man and Jason Kolarich.

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