

Dear Readers,

Welcome to my first quarterly newsletter. I hope you're all happy, healthy, and reading voraciously.

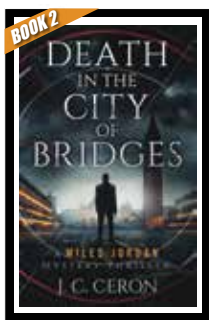
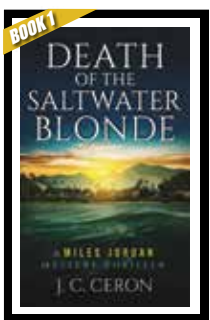
### BOOK 4

My plan for the Miles Jordan series is to flip between the job and vacation.

**Book 1** - Miles is on vacation investigating the murder of an American tourist.

**Book 2** - He's on the job—overseas—as a member of the FBI's Joint Terrorism Task Force.

**Book 3** - Again he's on vacation, working a decades old cold case.



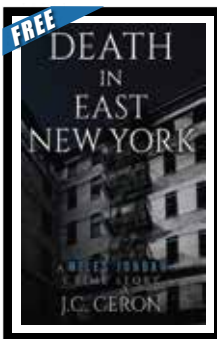
Which brings me to Book 4.

Miles will be back on the job, investigating a string of brutal murders that appear to be the work of a serial killer. Set in New York, I'm considering a plot with two alternating timelines. I'll start researching and outlining in October and plan to start writing in December or January.

**Working title: "Death in the Empire City"**

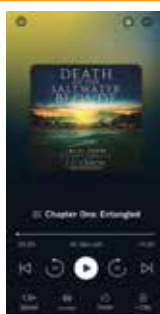
### FREE CRIME STORY

"Death in East New York", the FREE crime story I owe all of you—now a 12,000-word novella—is in the editing stage. I'm working closely with Julie MacKenzie, my awesome editor, to get it in publication shape. I expect the final draft to be complete in mid October.



### AUDIO BOOK RAFFLE

The winner of a FREE audiobook for "Death of the Saltwater Blonde" will be announced in the December newsletter.



### Long Island Authors BOOKS & BITES EVENT

On September 17th, I participated in a meet and greet and book signing event at James Joyce Restaurant in Patchogue, NY. It was my first live event. I enjoyed signing books, talking books, being surrounded by books, and most importantly, meeting readers. I was apprehensive about doing it and thank my wife for pushing me. I now look forward to doing more live events.



### TRIBUTE

On that same day, the crime genre lost one of its best writers. Long Island author, Nelson DeMille passed away after a nine-month battle with cancer. One of my favorite all-time authors, DeMille inspired me to write the crime genre. His influence is felt in the dry humor and occasional sarcasm I built into the Miles Jordan character, which I borrowed from his witty detective, John Corey. Rest in peace, Mr. DeMille.

### CURRENTLY READING

I'm re-reading Plum Island, by Nelson DeMille, book one in the John Corey series.

### MAIN CHARACTER UPDATE

**What is Miles Jordan up to?**  
It's September 2016. He's in New Orleans visiting family and friends, feasting on homemade seafood gumbo and Jambalaya, while making daily trips to Café Beignet. He'll be back in Brooklyn fighting crime by the end of the week.

### QUOTE OF THE QUARTER

"There is nothing either good or bad, but thinking makes it so."

—from William Shakespeare's Hamlet

