**Debut Novel Asks: How Will Virtual Reality Change the World, and Crime?**

***The Terminal Code* is a thrilling new sci-fi murder mystery from new author J.W. Galliger.**

WASHINGTON, DC (August, 26, 2021) - At a time when the role of technology in our lives is being discussed and debated more than ever comes *The Terminal Code*. A classic sci-fi take on the promise, potential and dangers of a world that goes all in on Virtual Reality told through the lens of one man’s journey to solve a locked-room mystery, a virtual murder that crosses the boundaries of reality into real life.

Synopsis:

How do you solve an impossible murder?

Meet Dashiell Kincaid, a cocky security consultant known for his knowledge of SCAPE's virtual reality systems and his problem-solving ability. *The Terminal Code* takes place in 2050, as Kincaid is called to the scene of a murder in New York City, but is quick to find that this one is much more than it seems, as it somehow crossed the bounds of SCAPE and into every day life.

In this modern take of a “locked-room mystery”, most people have abandoned the real world for the pleasure of the virtual, changing the dynamics of humanity, and crime. Kincaid’s quest for the truth reveals a deeper conspiracy than he bargained for and leads him to question the nature of his society, reality, and even himself.

Early Praise:

“Wildly creative and utterly compelling, *The Terminal Code* grips you from start to finish. Think: *The Matrix* meets *The Maltese Falcon*. Bravo!” — **Jeffery Deaver, author of The Final Twist**

“What could go wrong in a virtual reality world? Buckle up. You’re about to find out in *The Terminal Code*.” — **Richard Phillips, best-selling author of The Rho Agenda**

“*CSI* meets *Ready Player One* in *The Terminal Code* and it’s a thriller**!” – A.R. Shaw, Author of *Graham’s Resolution***

About the Author:

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**For more information on *The Terminal Code* visit** [**jwgalliger.com**](http://www.jwgalliger.com) **or check out the book on** [**Amazon**](https://www.amazon.com/dp/B09DTF9C95)**,** [**Kobo**](https://www.kobo.com/us/en/ebook/the-terminal-code-1)**, or bookstores near you.**