

## Sequestered

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### Reviews:

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### Blurbs:

"A fascinating look at what takes place behind the closed doors of the jury room, and one person's moral struggle to do justice. Highly recommended reading for any trial lawyer." *Allen Arnsten -- Attorney at Law, Foley and Lardner, LLP*

"Solomon writes with humor and compassion about what it's like to judge another man's life and live with that decision long after the verdict. A fascinating glimpse into the judicial process and into humanity itself." *Tenaya Darlington -- Former About Life Editor, Isthmus Newspaper; Author, Maybe Baby*

"Solomon offers a unique, earnest, and important perspective on the jury process, and refuses to settle for easy answers. He writes with brave compassion and a stubborn commitment to an open mind." *Alison Jones Chaim -- Director, Wisconsin Book Festival*

"Brian Solomon's first book has more energy than a packed jury box. Solomon's passionate and meticulous reporting offers a glimpse of what a murder trial is really like. A real page turner, *Sequestered* will keep you up nights." *Lisa Lutz -- Private Investigator (Probed the estate case involving Dan Kutz)*

### Author's Bio

Brian Solomon was born in St. Louis, Missouri. He grew up in Baltimore, received a BA from the University of Maryland - Baltimore County, and received a Masters in Public Administration from the UW - Madison. Brian currently works for the State of Wisconsin, helping people find jobs. He is also an active volunteer for environmental and social justice causes.

He lives in Madison with his wife and daughter.

An avid writer, Brian has had numerous essays, editorials, and poems published. He also writes music and still dreams of rock stardom. **Sequestered** is his first book.

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## Excerpt from *Sequestered*

I only took three steps when it finally hit me and I stopped cold. What was I doing? This wasn't a game; this was someone's life. This could be three weeks of my life. Three weeks of hell to make a life and death decision. One more step and I was about to faint, and I truly began to wonder how I'd been able to separate the reality and severity of this situation from the game I had been playing in my mind. This was far from the last time I'd engage in this separation from reality, and certainly not the last time I'd wonder why and how I could do it. I was stupefied at my utter lack of preparation for this moment.

Truly, how had I been able to laugh, shoot rubber bands, and make jokes? A woman was dead; her body missing. A man stood accused; in all likelihood, he was facing life in prison. Somehow, all of us had been able to detach from that reality. We'd been able to create and live very happily in our own fantasy world. I wasn't sure how we'd done it, but it scarcely mattered now.

There was no more detachment and no more games. No more separation or alternate reality. Reality, the **only** reality, waited in a small room, just down the hall. And I was being led right into its waiting arms.

I closed my eyes, took a deep breath, and started walking.

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