APPENDICES

SYNOPSIS OF TELL ME YOUR DREAMS

This novel, <u>Tell Your Dreams</u> tells about three characters named Ashley Patterson, Toni Prescott and Alette Peters. The serial murders happen around their daily life. They are suspected of doing these murders; on top of that, some proofs point out that the victims are together with them before they are dead. Several investigations have been performed by the police and detectives; the result indicates that the murderer is Ashley.

Ashley is taken into jail and she is traumatized how she gets there. A few days later, a friend of her father, David Singer, who is her lawyer, comes to visit her. After their conversations, he advises her to talk to a psychiatrist named Dr. Salem. In few days later, Dr. Salem visits to Ashley in the jail and examines her accompanied by David Singer. The result shows that she has multiple personality (Toni, Ashley and Alette are the same person) which explains why she does not know anything about the murders.

Finally, at the end of the story, the murder has been solved. There are some court sessions discussing about the Ashley's case. In the end of the session, Judge Williams believes that MPD (Multiple Personality Disorder) exists and the decision of the court is that the defendant is not guilty by reason of insanity, and Ashley will be ordered to a mental health facility, where she can be treated. Then, she gets the treatment helped by the psychiatrists. After that, Ashley's personality has become one whole person and she starts a new life.

BIOGRAPHY OF SIDNEY SHELDON (1917-2007)

Sidney Sheldon Schechtel was a son of Russian Jewish ancestry, born in Chicago, Illinois. He had parents whose names were Ascher "Otto" Schechtel (1894 - 1967) and Natalia Marcus.

He wrote eighteen novels such as <u>Tell Me Your Dreams</u>, <u>The Sands</u> of <u>Time</u>, and <u>Windmills of the Gods</u>. He earned a nomination for the Edgar Allan Poe Award from the Mystery Writers of America in the category of Best First Novel through his first novel, <u>The Naked Face</u>. His next novel, <u>The Other Side of</u> <u>Midnight</u>, was on the first place of The New York Times bestseller list as did several ensuing novels, a number of which were also made into motion pictures or TV miniseries.

His novels often had the feature of determined women who persevere in a tough world run by hostile men. The novels also had a lot of suspense and literary devices that make the readers turning the page.

Sheldon got married to Jorja Curtright, a stage and film actress who later became an accomplished and well-known interior designer. She died of a heart attack in 1985. After that he married Alexandra Kostoff, a former child actress and advertising executive of Macedonian origin, in Las Vegas in 1989.

At the age of 89, he suffered pneumonia which caused him to die at Eisenhower Medical Centre in Rancho Mirage, California. He was cremated and buried in Westwood Memorial Park in Los Angeles.

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