MAGELLAN BILLET

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BORN: Harold Earl Malone, Thomasville, Georgia. Acquired the nickname "Cotton," origin undisclosed.

PHYSICAL TRAITS: 6'0. 195 lbs. Burnished blond hair. Green eyes.

PARENTS: Forrest and Peggy Jean Malone. Father, served United States Navy, final rank, Commander, lost at sea aboard USS Blazek. Mother still alive, living in Georgia.

PSYCHOLOGICAL NOTE: Though Malone loved and respected his father, he remained angry for years after his father disappeared. The loss was more loneliness than pain. Their time together had been limited to three years, from ages 7-10 (that Malone can recall) and those memories are vague and scattered. He relates that there is never a day he doesn't think about his father. He never questioned him either. He simply emulated him, sometimes unknowingly. Forrest Malone was the last captain of NR-lA, a highly classified submersible, a career military man and Annapolis graduate. The submarine's existence and disappearance remains classified. He mentioned twice the fact that there had been no cemetery for him to visit. No remains. Nothing but a classified stamp on a file. Throughout his adult life he wondered what actually happened to his father. Eventually, he conducted an independent investigation, all of which is detailed in a folder titled The Charlemagne Pursuit. Note that Malone continues to harbor deep anger toward the Navy over its handling of his father's disappearance.

His mother, a native Georgian, worshipped her husband. Malone related that he's never seen his mother cry, which probably explains his own reluctance to show emotion. Atypical, Malone and his mother did not relocate as his father's duty stations changed. Instead, she maintained a steady home environment in Georgia. At his father's memorial service (held after the loss of the Blazek), when the Navy honor guard presented her a folded flag she refused. She never remarried, and still refers to herself as Mrs. Forrest Malone.

RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION: Malone was born and raised Catholic, though he no longer actively practices the faith.

SPECIAL TRAITS: At the age of twelve Malone realized he had an eidetic memory the ability to remember objects, images, words, and

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numbers with extraordinary accuracy. He also developed a love of books and reading. This translated, as an adult, into book collecting and eventually to him opening his own rare book shop. He is prone to extreme self-motivation and obsessive dedication. Exudes physical confidence and an extraordinary command of his surroundings. Tough, gutsy, decisive, accepts any situation thrown at him, and exhibits exceptional courage under fire. He uses humor to mock reality, dodge an issue, twist an argument, or escape involvement.

PSYCHOLOGICAL NOTE: Team sports never interested Malone, but he loved to swim. He recalls how he and his father spent time swimming together. Horses were another interest, he taught himself to ride as a teenager. He learned early in life to never hurry anything. That simply bred mistakes. Skepticism is something he regards as healthy to survival. But loyalty is essential.

EDUCATION: Malone graduated second in his class from Thomasville High School. He was accepted to the Naval Academy where he graduated in the top third of his class. He has an unusual ability for foreign languages (thanks to the eidetic memory), now fluent in at least a dozen, including Arabic.

PSYCHOLOGICAL NOTE: Has a dislike of tight, enclosed spaces so he shied away from the submarine service, opting instead for Navy flight school. He earned the required marks for fighter pilot training but declined, opting for the Judge Advocate General's corps. His father's contemporaries, many of who had risen to high naval rank, thought that the better course. Out of respect for his father he followed their advice and was accepted at Georgetown University Law School. Earned a Juris Doctorate degree while stationed with the Judge Advocate General's Corps at the Pentagon. He still holds a aircraft pilot's license and an underwater diving certification, both acquired while in the Navy.

PERSONAL RELATIONSHIPS: Married Pam Gauldin shortly after joining Judge Advocate General's Corps. They divorced after nearly twenty years of marriage. One child was born seven years into the relationship, Gary, a son. Post divorce, Malone learned that Gary was the product of an affair his wife had during the marriage. This was in retaliation for affairs Malone himself engaged in early in their relationship. His were discovered at the time of their occurrence, hers' remained concealed until much later. This personal

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conflict played a key role in a recent encounter between the two (see, The Alexandria Link folder), then again in another incident in England (see, The King's Deception folder). Gary Malone, though not linked genetically, is remarkably like Malone. Athletic, smart, loves to travel, he spends the summer months in Denmark. Currently, Malone is involved with Cassiopeia Vitt, a woman of SpanishMoorish descent, who resides in France (see, folders titled, The Venetian Betrayal, The Emperor's Tomb, and The Jefferson Key).

PSYCHOLOGICAL NOTE: Malone openly states that he's not good at dealing with women, and seems drawn to those with deep contradictions. He acknowledges the mistakes made in his marriage, noting that illicit sex had seemed, at the time, as a way to ease his fears.

PROFESSIONAL CAREER: Spent 6 years with Judge Advocate General's Corps. Excelled as a litigator, receiving 8 commendations for meritorious service (all of which were refused). Promoted twice, achieving rank of commander before retiring his commission. Left Judge Advocate General's Corps after being transferred to the Justice Department as one of the original twelve lawveragents for The Magellan Billet. Director, Stephanie Nell, personally selected Malone. Worked 12 years as a Magellan Billet agent and was awarded 9 commendations, all of which were refused. Suffered three serious injuries while on assignment, a fourth came in Mexico City during the assassination of a public prosecutor. Malone brought down three of the assailants and received another commendation, which was also refused (see, The Paris Vendetta folder). After that incident, he retired from the Navy and quit the Justice Department, citing ever-increasing risks and a desire for a change in his life. He refused an exit interview. He then sold his residence in Georgia and moved to Copenhagen, Denmark.

POST-CAREER ACTIVITIES: Malone purchased an old bookshop from Danish billionaire, Henrik Thorvaldsen. Net proceeds from the sale of his Georgia residence made the sale possible. The business is located in Hojbro Plads in a building owned by Thorvaldsen. Malone lives on the fourth floor, above the shop, in a small apartment. He cultivated a close, personal relationship with Thorvaldsen. His Danish residence is possible thanks to a temporary work visa which Thorvaldsen arranged. He's a member of the Danish Antiquarian

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Booksellers Society. Curiously, as was his habit while on active duty, he continues to store a knapsack beneath his bed that contains his Magellan Billet-issued Beretta automatic (which he was allowed to retain), his passport, a thousand Euros, spare identification, and a change of clothes. He has twice been involved with the local police over possession of a firearm (which is not allowed in Denmark). Both times Thorvaldsen exercised influence and squashed the charges. Director Nelle involved Malone with a personal incident soon after he retired (see, The Templar Legacy folder) which demonstrates his continued loyalty toward her. He has also been involved with other investigations at the request of Director Nelle (see, folders The Templar Legacy, The Paris Vendetta, The Emperor's Tomb, and The Jefferson Key) and four of a more personal nature (see, folders The Alexandria Link, The Venetian Betrayal, The Charlemagne Pursuit, and The King's Deception.). There is no reason to assume that this pattern will not continue. In fact, indications are that Malone is receptive to becoming a free lance operative, available for hire. That option is being explored.

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