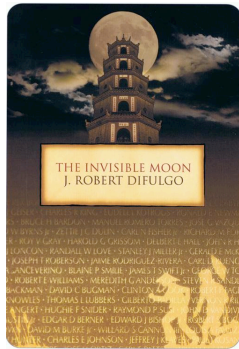


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### Novel tackling the effects of sexual assault in the military to be featured at BookExpo America



New York, NY: Hidden stories are coming to light as a federal lawsuit accusing the U.S. Department of Defense with turning a blind eye to the problem of sexual assault makes its way through court. The plaintiffs, 15 women and two men, are bringing attention to the fact that military settings foster at least double the national average rates of rape and abuse.

The novel *The Invisible Moon* takes on this difficult topic in a sensitive and nuanced way through the eyes of Bryan, a naval officer who experiences not only assault but also love, loss and the shattering of his beliefs while on tour of duty in Vietnam.

Decades after the war, Bryan must revisit the past in order to grapple with post-traumatic stress disorder and solve the mystery of what happened to his best friend Greg. Will his discoveries finally set him on the path to healing or will the truth remain hidden like the invisible new moon?

Readers who enjoy learning about history and culture will appreciate the detail with which author J. Robert DiFulgo describes both military life and Vietnamese places and traditions. His writing is based on his own experiences during the Vietnam War and subsequent visits to the country.

The novel's hard-hitting subject matter will be of interest to anyone following the high-profile lawsuit against the Pentagon. "The government should make a public apology since anyone who serves under the flag and is prepared to die for our country has the right to be protected," says DiFulgo. But beyond politics, *The Invisible Moon* novel tells a story that is human, credible and moving.

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