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### **About the Author**

Called “a master storyteller” by Clive Cussler, James Thayer has written thirteen critically acclaimed novels, many of which have been optioned for films and translated into many languages. Born in Eugene, Oregon, and raised in the state of Washington, he is a graduate of Washington State University and the University of Chicago Law School. He is also the author of *The Essential Guide to Writing a Novel*. Thayer is a member of the Washington State Bar Association and International Thriller Writers, and he teaches fiction writing at the University of Washington extension school. He lives with his family in Seattle.

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