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Dr. McFate is one of the world's leading experts on mercenaries and the future of war. He advises the Pentagon, CIA, Hollywood, and gaming industry, and has appeared on all major news networks.

His career began as a paratrooper and officer in the U.S. Army's 82nd Airborne Division. He served under Stan McChrystal and David Petraeus, and graduated from elite training programs, such as Jungle Warfare School in Panama. He was also a Jump Master.

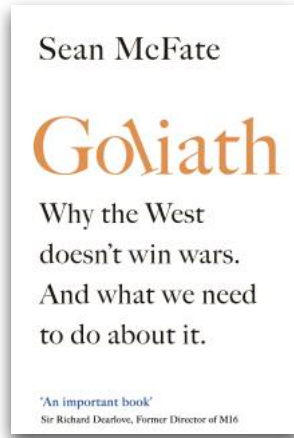
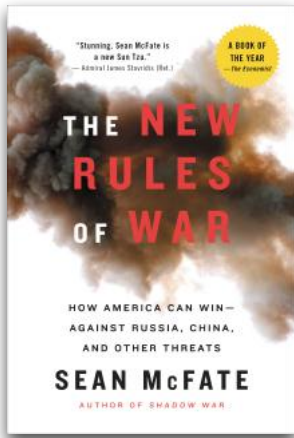
McFate then became a global private military contractor. Among his many experiences, he dealt with African warlords, raised armies for U.S. interest, rode with armed groups in the Sahara, conducted strategic reconnaissances for the extractive industry, transacted arms deals in Eastern Europe, and helped prevent an impending genocide in central Africa.

In the world of international business, McFate was a Vice President at TD International, a boutique political risk consulting firm with offices in Washington, Houston, Singapore and Zurich. Additionally, he was a program manager at DynCorp International, a business consultant at BearingPoint (now Deloitte Consulting), and an associate at Booz Allen Hamilton.

Dr. McFate authored *The New Rules of War* (HarperCollins) which was named "Book of the Year" by *The Economist*. The book has been translated into ten languages, and in the UK is titled *Goliath: Why the West Doesn't Win Wars. And What We Need to Do About It* (Penguin). He also authored *The Modern Mercenary* (Oxford University Press) which *Foreign Affairs* called "essential reading." Dr. McFate is a successful novelist, and his fiction has been translated into six languages. The *Tom Locke Series* is based on his own military experiences, and #1 *New York Times* bestselling author James Patterson said: "Sean McFate just might be the next Tom Clancy, only I think he's even better."

His writing has also appeared in the *New York Times*, *Washington Post*, and *Wall Street Journal*, and he has been interviewed on the *Cable News Network*, *Fox News*, *MSNBC*, *British Broadcasting Corporation*, *Sky News*, *Australian Broadcasting Corporation*, *National Public Radio*, *Vice on Home Box Office*, and *The Discovery Channel*.

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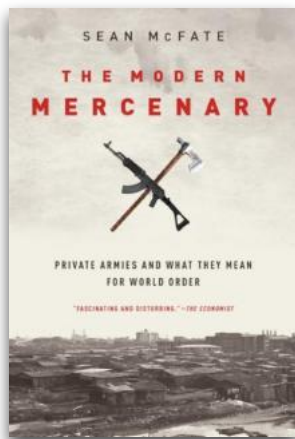
- ★ An *Economist* Book of the Year 2019
- ★ West Point "Commandant's Reading List"
- ★ Amazon Bestseller & Editor's Pick
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- ★ *Evening Standard* pick 2019

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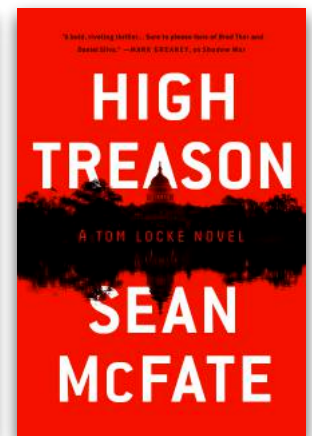
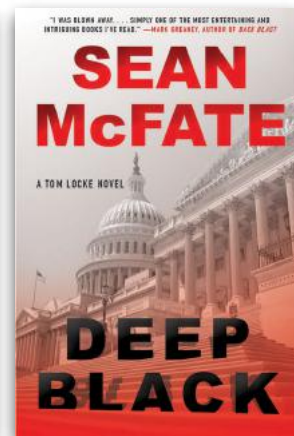
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