## author

## LIZ LAZARUS

**Liz Lazarus** grew up in Valdosta, Georgia, known for its high school football and being the last watering hole on highway I-75 before entering Florida. She was editor of her high school newspaper and salutatorian of her class. Lazarus graduated from The Georgia Institute of Technology with an engineering degree and Northwestern's Kellogg Graduate School of Management with an MBA. She went on to a successful career as an executive at General Electric's Healthcare division. Later, she joined a leading consulting firm as a Managing Director and is currently head of Operations for a healthcare start-up.

Interestingly, Lazarus initially ignored the calling to become a novelist—instead, she tackled other ambitions on her bucket list: living in Paris and learning to speak French, getting her pilot's license, and producing a music CD. But, as she explains, her first book "wouldn't leave me alone—it kept nudging me to write to the point that I could no longer ignore the calling."

Though her first novel, *Free of Malice*, is fiction, the attack on the main character is real, drawn from Lazarus' experience. It portrays the emotional realities of healing from a vicious, physical assault and tells the story of one woman's obsession to force the legal system to acknowledge her right to self-defense.

Reader response to her first novel was so encouraging that Lazarus embarked on a writing career, releasing her second novel. *Plea for Justice* is a thriller that depicts the journey of a paralegal investigating the case of her estranged friend's incarceration. As she seeks the truth, loyalties are strained and relationships are tested, leaving her to wonder if she is helping an innocent man or being played for a fool.

Her third novel, **Shades of Silence**, showcases the resilience of a woman faced with devastating loss, the unexpected friendships forged from tragedy, and the recurring societal themes that confront every generation.

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