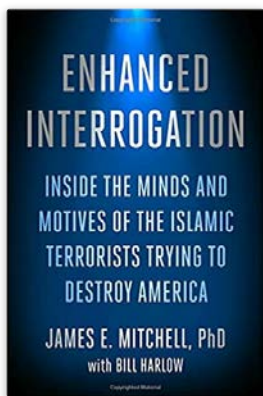




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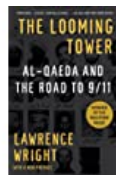
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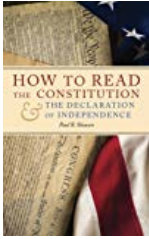
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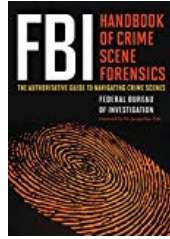




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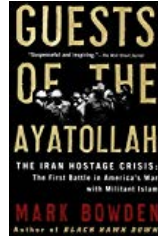
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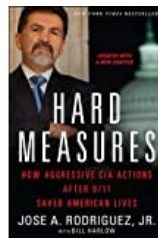
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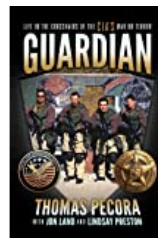
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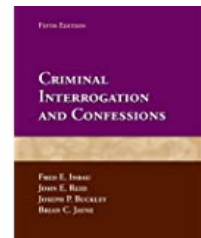
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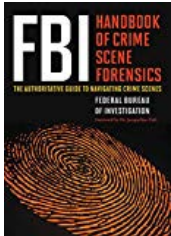
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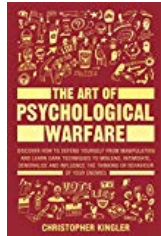
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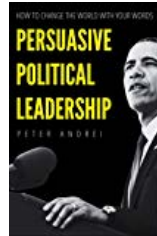
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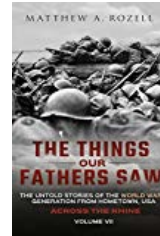
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Dr. James Mitchell recounts the history of the CIA's enhanced interrogation program and in doing so demonstrates the principled manner in which the agency developed the program while under intense pressure from the president and congress to act quickly. One significant point is the decision to restrict enhanced interrogations to a selection of those used in the military's SERE training for two reasons. First, these techniques had been proven safe over decades of training our own armed forces. Second, a restricted selection of techniques

avoided freelance escalation that might occur in the absence of strict guidelines. Dr. Mitchell's description of interviews of high profile terrorist leaders helps us understand the successes, challenges, and limitations of the CIA interrogation program. He unflinchingly looks at certain instances where interrogators failed to follow guidelines; pointing out how CIA investigated, and referred cases to DOJ where appropriate. Mitchell also analyzes certain abuses outside the CIA program to show how they wound up destroying America's efforts to gather intelligence from captives. A sad and disappointing part of this story was how quickly politicians turned on the patriots trying in good faith to run the CIA program. The actions of

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It was interesting to see the description of non-coercive interrogation technique used in conjunction with coercive technique, and that coercive measures were used to enhance the non-coercive methods, not as a means in themselves.

Although I already hold quite a bias against the Democrat Party and the damage that party has done to our national security, I find myself once again amazed at the lengths that the Democrats and their media cheerleaders will go to to foist their propaganda on the American people.

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