

## AUTHOR'S PREFACE

Without the experience of six years (1970-76) as a member of the New York State Legislature, I wonder if I would ever have perceived the political patterns described in this book. During the Albany years, I learned to look for what was really going on by watching what was happening behind the doors and under the tables. It sometimes seemed that the real problems (not the penny ante stuff the press runs after) occurred on such a large scale and at such a level that one couldn't even see them. That principle is applicable to the ten stories in this book, stories that should not have happened, stories about political harassment, suppression, and skullduggery. For a change, this is not skullduggery by elected officials, whom the press is always primed to go after, but by the appointed ones whom the press routinely ignores.

Over a period of 10-15 years, I kept coming across wonderful stories about effective and totally non-toxic therapies which saved many lives and would have saved many more but for political interference. Since politics is a field I know a little about, it occurred to me "maybe someday I can be helpful".

This is not an encyclopedia of everything that's out there in alternative medicine. It is not even about medicine, but rather about political intrusion in medicine and healing.

I have written these ten stories as a reporter telling the tragic truth about politics in cancer and healing. Each story stands alone and can be read independently of the others. Together, they tell a much bigger story of the existence behind the scenes of a solidly entrenched policy that has been – and is – profoundly dangerous to American health.

Not a doctor, I advocate no specific therapy but rather a free market where non-toxic therapies can compete freely and openly with the toxic therapies currently accepted by the medical establishment, and the freedom for doctors and patients to use them. This book is not intended and should not be understood to offer any medical advice. Instead, it reports on things which, sadly, actually happened, and, even more sadly, are still happening.

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