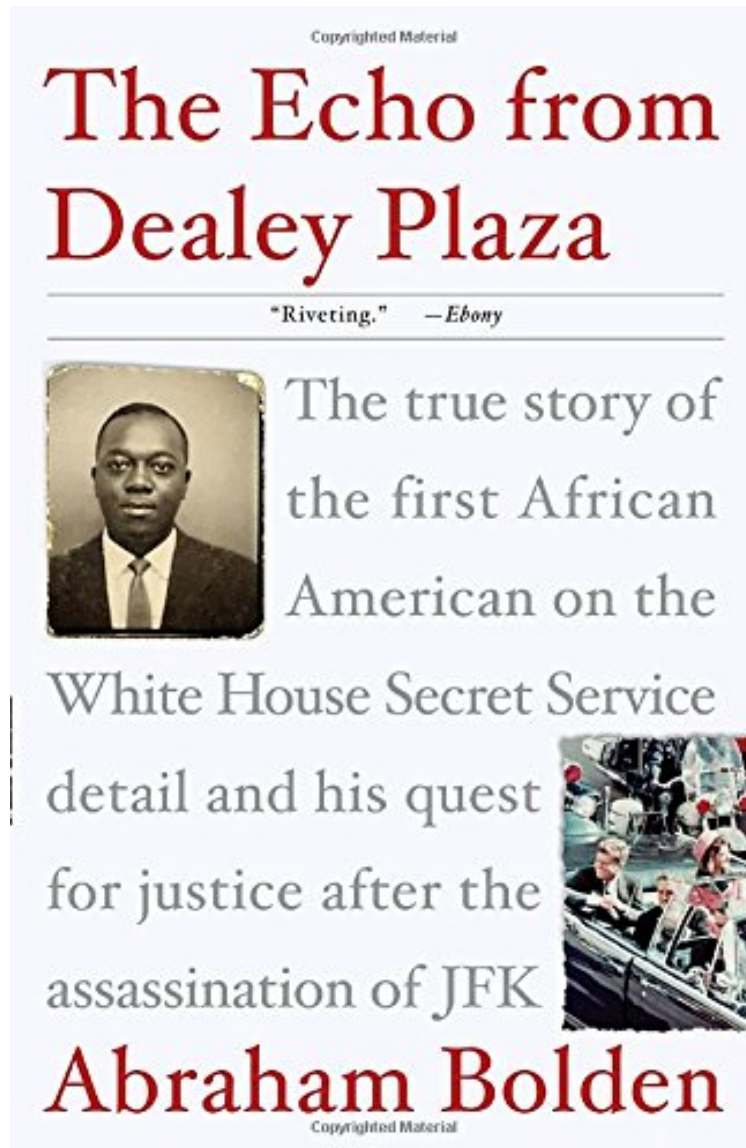


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53 of 54 people found the following review helpful. An Outstanding Book That Is A Must Read By Stephen Courts I wanted the hardbound, which .com does not have. So I ordered this book from a bookstore and I could not put it down. I literally read it in a day. Mr. Bolden was, and is an honorable man. His story is so compelling and shocking that it is truly unforgivable that he has not been pardoned (look at the low lifes like North and Libby who have been, as well as many other guilty government spook like men). Mr. Bolden was unjustly charged and found guilty by a biased and racist "federal judge" and served nearly six years in the prime of his life for trying to tell the truth. He warned many "superiors" in the government of the lax and arrogant attitude of fellow agents, many who drank on the job and simply ignored protocol about protecting President Kennedy. He was framed and railroaded by the Secret Service and the Federal Judicial system for trying to tell the "Johnson Commission" what he knew about the riff-raff guarding President Kennedy. Though the story is not DIRECTLY related to the conspiracy, there is some information regarding the activities of the Secret Service which will shock those who have not studied the assassination in depth. For example, following the murder of JFK, all agents were issued new security IDs and the old ones were destroyed. Why? Missing Secret Service IDs were "lost" prior to that miserable day in Dallas almost 48 years ago. Several men who were not agents had Secret Service credentials when confronted by honest Dallas policemen following the shooting. Inside the Book Depository Building and on the Grassy Knoll for example. I would strongly encourage people to read Abraham Bolden's Story. DO NOT waste your time and money on Gerald Blaine's ridiculous new book about the Secret Service. If you want to know about what the Agency was like in the early 1960's, the racism, the drunkenness and the cavalier attitude towards President Kennedy, read this book. President Obama, PARDON Mr. Bolden today. It is a stain on America what the system did to Abraham Bolden for doing his job and doing it right. Five Stars!! Stephen Courts 16 of 16 people found the following review helpful. Listen to the Echo of Truth By W. Green Abraham Bolden is a hero. I dedicated my novel, which details the 1963 Chicago attempt on President Kennedy SAVING JFK (Time Travel Twins) to: "Abraham Bolden -- U.S. Secret Service". Mr. Bolden is a courageous American who was willing to expose the truth about the Kennedy assassination regardless of personal repercussions. In 1960, President Kennedy selected him to become the first African-American Secret Service man. For a short period, he was part of the White House detail. His experiences on that assignment caused him to "blow the whistle" on the Secret Service. While on duty protecting JFK, he suffered personal overt incidents of racism, and he witnessed dangerous agent incompetence. He reported these incidents and the individuals involved to the chief of the Secret Service. After that, he returned to work in the Chicago office of the Secret Service as an investigator. Fast forward to the Dallas aftermath, Bolden knew of serious Secret Service anomalies that were being swept under the carpet by the agency -- including its knowledge of an active November 2, 1963 hit team in Chicago -- unbelievably two of the out-of-town shooters were held by the Secret Service but later released. In December 1963, information about the arrest of the Chicago hit men and other pre-Dallas plots was bureaucratically frozen. Also Bolden's earlier warnings about agents drinking on the job would be damaging to the "powers that be". In fact, JFK's protectors had been partying in the early morning hours of November 22nd just before his assassination in Dallas. Someone decided it would be best to put the talkative and "uppity" Bolden in his place. His racist colleagues and bosses jumped at the opportunity to hang him with a phony charge and toss him into the Federal prison system (including the Springfield, Missouri mental ward that was known for treating and creating mentally ill inmates -- Springfield gets the "biggies" like Gotti, Noriega, Larry Flynt, and John Anthony Walker). Even if he managed to get out of prison alive and sane, the word of a disgraced former agent would be of no consequence. Such was their plan. He wasn't "suicided" That might be too obvious (although it worked very well for many JFK assassination witnesses, investigators, and participants). Secret Service Agent Abraham Bolden was disgraced, tried, convicted, imprisoned, and forcibly drugged. Outside of a few "assassination buffs", his true story remained unknown for decades. Now Bolden reveals the nature of the crimes against him, and against JFK in his book THE ECHO FROM DEALEY PLAZA. It is never too late to expose the truth. This is a man who suffered greatly, served well, and deserves the respect and support of the American people. Under the conditions he faced in 1963/64 -- JFK, his patron, dead; racism still burning strong within the agency power structure; the travesty of the Warren Commission final report (which never mentioned the Chicago attempt); and the bodies of other JFK assassination "whistle blowers" and non-cooperating witnesses piling higher every day -- Bolden nevertheless stayed true to his beliefs and he paid the price. When you read Bolden's book you will get a sense of this ugly and dangerous period of time -- you will also get a feeling for the intense pressure that crushed down upon any assassination dissenter. Abraham Bolden was a key obstacle in the planned effort to sell the assassination in Dallas as a one-time, lone-nut event. He had to be removed. His book is his attempt to correct his "history", his life, and his contribution to this country in attempting to expose the truth. It is an effective rebuttal to those politicians, newsmen, and government officials who framed him or ignored his pleas. It is also an insider's view of the Crime of the Century and the definitive response to that lame refrain: "Someone Would Have Talked." Bolden talked then -- and now. It's time to listen. 8 of 8 people

found the following review helpful. A huge new puzzle piece  
By Phil Silverman  
As of this writing, this Reviewer has not completed this book but I've read enough compelling detail to recommend this book from a real "player" in, shall we say, the "smoke-filled room", which orchestrated some of the most egregious deflections on a subject that still cries out for clarity, from wherever it may come. Bolden not only relates his own breakthrough as African-American Secret Service Agent but how he was unprepared for, but very quickly adjusted to, sudden detours in and cancellations of projects, the most important one being the protection of a President. Bad attitudes from those in authority plus lax staffing controls conceivably led to reduced security...for the most responsible man on the planet who was known to party like a fratboy on Friday night. And who seemed to enjoy being a bad influence on those hired to possibly save his Life during a turbulent time. New (to me) information on two vanquished plots against John F. Kennedy come to light...plus the bureaucratic mis-steps, then concealment of facts, relevant to 11-22-63. One incredible report involves Lee Harvey Oswald's failed attempt to convince Law Enforcement, at the Dallas jail, to contact an individual whose name sounds not \*unlike\* a very highly placed CIA authority! A very readable work, written in a very entertaining, yet respectful style, considering the subject matter. This cries out for the attention of a cool, young Filmmaker!

A gripping and unforgettable true story of bravery and patriotism in the face of bitter hatred. Abraham Bolden was a young African American Secret Service agent in Chicago when he was asked by John F. Kennedy himself to join the White House Secret Service detail. For Bolden, it was a dream come true—and an encouraging sign of the charismatic president's vision for a new America. But the dream quickly turned sour. Bolden found himself regularly subjected to open hostility and blatant racism, and he was appalled by the White House team's irresponsible approach to security. In the wake of JFK's assassination, Bolden sought to expose the agency's negligence, only to find himself the victim of a sinister conspiracy. *The Echo from Dealey Plaza* is the story of the terrible price paid by one man for his commitment to truth and justice.

From Publishers Weekly  
Conspiracy theories haunt the Kennedy assassination; Bolden offers a new one, concerning discrimination and evidence suppression. Becoming, in JFK's words, the Jackie Robinson of the Secret Service, Bolden joined the White House detail in 1961. Already beset by racism (he once found a noose suspended over his desk), his idealism is further shattered by the drinking and carousing of other agents. Soon after the assassination, he receives orders that hint at an effort to withhold, or at least to the color, the truth. He discovers that evidence is being kept from the Warren Commission and when he takes action, finds himself charged with conspiracy to sell a secret government file and sentenced to six years in prison, where both solitary confinement and the psychiatric ward await. That there was a conspiracy to silence him seems unarguable, but Bolden's prose is flat; so is his dialogue. This story is more enthralling than Bolden's telling of it, but the reader who sticks with it will enter a world of duplicitous charges and disappearing documents fit for a movie thriller. (Mar.) Copyright © Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved. "If a novelist set out to rewrite Franz Kafka's *The Trial* as a modern-day -horror tale, it might read much like Abraham Bolden's *The Echo from Dealey Plaza*."—Chicago Sun-Times "An astonishing tale of aborted justice."—Kirkus "Excellent."—Library Journal "Conspiracy theories haunt the Kennedy assassination; Bolden offers a new one, concerning discrimination and evidence suppression. . . . a world of duplicitous charges and disappearing documents fit for a movie thriller."—Publishers Weekly "Riveting."—Ebony "Balancing his temper and his dignity, [Bolden] persisted in a manner readers will relate to..."—Urban Influence  
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About the Author  
ABRAHAM BOLDEN graduated cum laude from Lincoln University in Jefferson City, Missouri, with a B.A. in music composition. He served in the U.S. Secret Service from 1960 to 1964. Bolden now lives in Chicago and is retired after working for thirty years in the field of quality-control supervision.  
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