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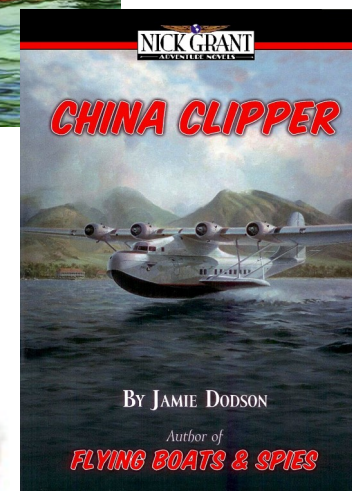
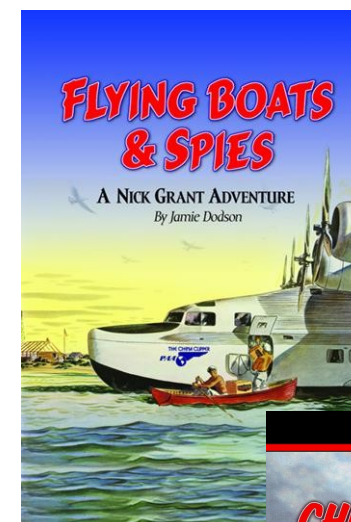
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Jamie Dodson **Biographical Information**

Jamie's first historical fiction novel *Flying Boats and Spies, a Nick Grant Adventure*, was published spring 2008. His second novel *The China Clipper* is scheduled for publication the fall of 2009. Hollywood Production Company **Black Sheep Entertainment** has purchased a movie option for *Flying Boats and Spies*. He conducted five years of extensive research on the era to insure accuracy. He is member of the **Pan Am Historical Foundation**, the **OSS Foundation**, **Military Intelligence Corps Association**. He writes non-fiction for aviation and military magazines.

Jamie is a career Intelligence officer and worked Counter Intelligence, Special Intelligence, and Signals Intelligence for US Military Intelligence. He has served in Special Operations, Army Aviation, Airborne Infantry, and Military Police. He has been involved in operations in Laos, Viet Nam, Cambodia, Germany, the United Kingdom, Hungary, Croatia, Bosnia, Iraq, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Japan, Korea, Guam, Samoa, the Hawaiian Islands and at numerous locations across the US.

Currently, Jamie is an Intelligence Officer and Technology Protection Engineer for the US Army, Aviation and Missile Research, Development and Engineering Center (AMRDEC), Intelligence Division, Redstone Arsenal, Alabama. Jamie holds a Systems Engineering Certificate from the University of Alabama, Huntsville, a Masters in Computers and Systems Management from Webster University and a Bachelor's in Geospatial Science from the University of Colorado.

He is married to Joan Skawski-Dodson, adjunct UAH faculty member and formerly of Chicago. They have traveled the world and lived on three continents with their three children Ian, Neil and Glenna. They have a spoiled Australian Sheppard named Gracie and have called Huntsville, Alabama home since 2001.



Reviews & Praise

"Flying Boats and Spies is a marvelous tale of the men and women who pioneered the sky during an adventurous era. Dodson takes his readers back to those great, old days when aviation was young and nothing seemed impossible. Reading Flying Boats and Spies made me feel like a boy all over again." **Homer Hickam, author of Rocket Boys/October Sky, The Ambassador's Son & The Red Helmet**

"FLYING BOATS AND SPIES is a fast-paced, edge-of-your-seat read. Dodson's knowledge of aviation technology is undeniable, but presented in a way that even a novice can understand. The mystery and espionage are thrilling. Nick Grant is the quintessential all-American boy. Guys will want to be Nick Grant, and girls will fall in love with him." **C. M. Fleming, Author of FINDER'S MAGIC**

"In Nick Grant, the reader gets a taste of Mickey Spillane, a young Chuck Yeager, and Charlie Chan, all rolled into one. But a gripping climax reveals the true Nick--a memorable hero in his own right. A fun read for lovers of adventure and international intrigue!" **Susan Rosson Spain, Author of THE DEEP CUT, a 2006 Marshall Cavendish Award Winner,**

"FLYING BOATS & SPIES is a terrific read! It is a compelling story with engaging fictional and historical characters who take us into the emerging Pacific war. Japanese spies challenge American's vital interests as Nick Grant's adventures plunge the reader into the world of international espionage. Dodson's use of the historical Pan American Clipper setting provides exceptional realism." **Annie Laura Smith, Author of The Legacy of Bletchley Park, Will Paris Burn, and Saving Da Vinci, a World War II trilogy for young readers.**