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## **Destiny Unveiled Proposes Enlightened Public Policy for America**

**While most people carp and moan about what's not working in the nation, author Sylvia Clute, in *Destiny Unveiled*, boldly suggests a new basis for our legal, governmental and political systems.**

(Richmond, VA)—Wrapped inside an entertaining novel, at the heart of *Destiny Unveiled* is a proposal to shift the premise of US domestic and foreign policy in a way that will restore life and integrity to the nation's legal, governmental and political institutions.

In a nonpartisan approach, *Destiny Unveiled* makes the distinction between fear-based and enlightened public policy—two world views that each wields a startling impact on the actions of private individuals and the life of the nation. Included in the book is a table, which, as a teaching tool, sets out the characteristics and the destructive or constructive outcomes of each approach.

"I knew there had to be a better way," said Clute, a career trial attorney. "When I entered law school, I was told our legal system was the best that man could devise. But many clients came to me with broken relationships, and nothing I was trained to do could heal these breaches. Our procedures, our laws, demanded an eye-for-an-eye. There were no win-wins. I realized we live with a vengeance model that permeates our foreign policy, politics, corporate culture and even family life."

After years of research, study and reflection, she wrote *Destiny Unveiled*, a book that weaves its story around issues of sexual harassment, a dirty bomb explosion, an oil crisis between the US and Venezuela, and mysterious Masonic symbols that lead attorney Christi Daniel, disillusioned with her profession, on a search for answers.

The spirit of George Washington serves as Christi's mentor, presenting Seven Spiritual Principles for Governing a People, completing the Founding Fathers' original intentions. The principles, which are based on universal ethics, can be applied to private lives as well as public institutions.

"I haven't finished the book, and already the principles have changed my approach to new and ongoing clients," said Christie Barry, co-owner of a design and landscaping company, at a recent book signing. "When I listen to 24 messages, I don't have the dreaded feeling of anticipating what may be waiting for me...the fear is gone. It is so easy to stay open in my sales calls, and in truly wanting to help everyone as best I can."

Azim Khamisa, author of *From Murder to Forgiveness*, suffered the loss of a son to murder. He and the grandfather of the murderer have teamed to speak around the country about the need for restorative and transformative justice within the nation's criminal justice system. "The book is brilliant," he said. "It is an essential guide, moving us from current systems of vengeance to the paths of restorative justice, and more."

*Destiny Unveiled* will be accompanied by a study guide, for book clubs, universities, civic, political, legal, corporate, criminal justice and religious groups, to be released later in 2007; the New Founders Press, Ltd., publishing company; and Meta United, the online networking site that will support people working at the local and national levels to create enlightened public policy on issues demanding change.

In *Destiny Unveiled*, Clute draws on extensive political and civic experience, research and multiple degrees in law and public policy from Harvard and Boston University to present this new approach.

**About the author:**

As a young woman, Sylvia Clute became an early Peace Corps volunteer in a remote Himalayan village in Nepal. After graduating from law school and establishing a practice, she co-founded the only women's bank in the South, became chairman of the board, and helped change Virginia's laws relating to women and children. Clute holds an MA in Public Administration from the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University, a Juris Doctor from Boston University School of Law, and an MA in Public Administration from the University of California at Berkeley. She lives with her family in Richmond, VA.

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