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Mike Rubin is one of the leaders of the multi-state law firm of McGlinchey Stafford PLLC and handles commercial litigation and transactions as well as real estate, finance, and banking matters. He heads his firm's appellate practice team and is a member of the ABA Standing Committee on Ethics and Professional Responsibility. He has presented over 400 major papers in the U.S., Canada, and England on ethics, professionalism, finance, appellate law, real estate, and legal writing. He is a past-President of the Bar Association of the Fifth Federal Circuit, American College of Real Estate Lawyers, the Louisiana State Bar Association, and the Southern Conference of Bar Presidents. He serves as a Life Member of the American Law Institute and is a Commissioner on the Uniform Law Institute (the organization that writes the UCC and other uniform laws). For four decades, he also served as an Adjunct Professor teaching courses in finance, real estate, and advanced legal ethics at the law schools at LSU, Tulane, and Southern University. He is an author of, co-author of, and contributing writer to more than a dozen legal books and over forty articles; his works are used in law schools and have been cited as authoritative by state and federal trial and appellate courts, including the U.S. First and Fifth Circuits. He has been honored as the Distinguished Alumnus by the LSU Law School and as the Distinguished Attorney of Louisiana by the Louisiana State Bar Foundation.

His latest legal book, on Louisiana finance and real estate, now in its second edition, is THE LOUISIANA LAW OF SECURITY DEVICES, A PRÉCIS (Carolina Academic Press). He also is a novelist. At the American Library Association's annual meeting in San Francisco in 2015, his debut novel, a legal thriller entitled THE COTTONCREST CURSE, received the IndieFab Gold Award Winner as the best thriller/suspense novel published by a university or independent press. Publishers Weekly calls it a "gripping debut mystery," and 225 Magazine writes that it is "not just a thrilling murder mystery, but also a compelling look at life in south Louisiana during its most tumultuous decades." The novel is available in your local bookstores and as a hardcover, e-book, and audio book on the websites of Amazon and Barnes & Noble, and a German edition has been released in Europe. His second novel, a contemporary legal thriller entitled "CASHED OUT," was released nationally by Fiery Seas Press in August of this year and, like THE COTTONCREST CURSE, is available in

your local bookstores and as a paperback and e-book on the websites of Amazon and Barnes & Noble. Award-winning thriller writer R.B. Belsky says: “If you like John Grisham and Michael Connelly’s Lincoln Lawyer, you’re gonna love” CASHED OUT.