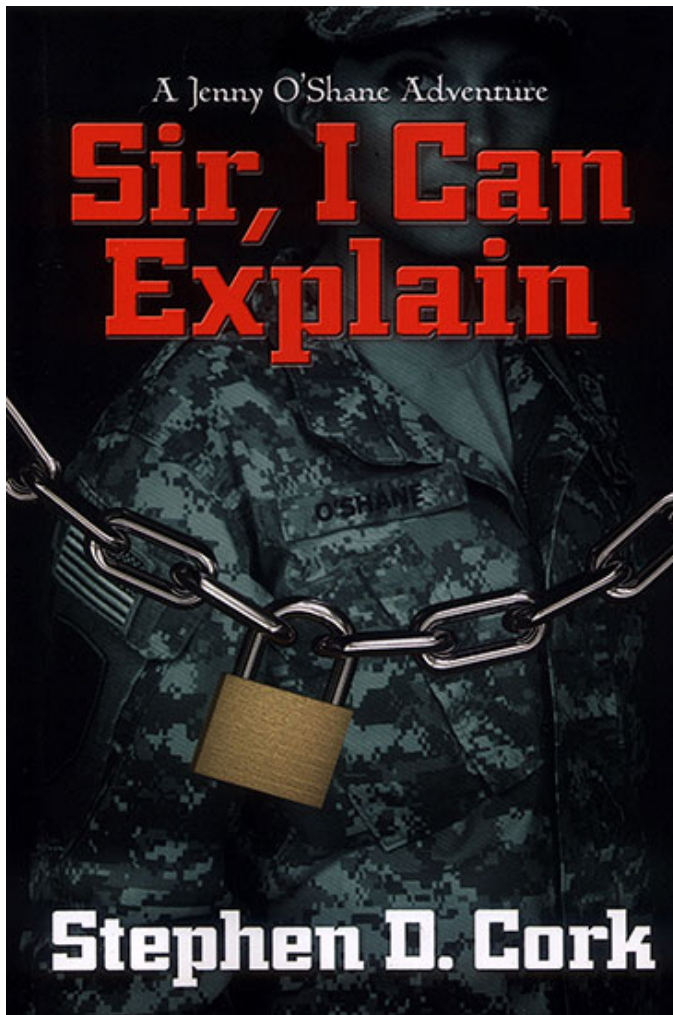


## **Sir, I Can Explain – Fast-Paced Thriller Series Tackles Real-Life Military Issues**



The plot of author Stephen Cork's new book, **SIR, I CAN EXPLAIN** (Koehler Books, September 2013) is literally ripped from the headlines. Each year millions of women and children fall victim to human trafficking; outlaws engaged in forced slavery, prostitution and body part harvesting. Human trafficking is a multibillion dollar business that not only destroys lives but helps fund terrorism. This book depicts the major role the military is playing worldwide to stop it.

**SIR, I CAN EXPLAIN** takes readers on a heart-pumping adventure that spans the globe. A White House ordered top-secret mission combines forces of INTERPOL and the Central Command of the US military to take on a crime syndicate of unimaginable scale. Cork, a retired United States Army Colonel, draws on his own knowledge and expertise gained during a distinguished 30-year career in the military to offer an unprecedented look into the danger and intrigue of elite U.S. military forces.

In the style of Tom Clancy and W.E.B. Griffin, **SIR, I CAN EXPLAIN** takes readers on a rollercoaster ride that guarantees drama and suspense, but also offers a unique twist – the book's main character, Major O'Shane, is a female. Stephen Cork, a strong advocate for women in the military, creates a compelling and believable protagonist in Jenny O'Shane, a quirky, quick-witted character who risks her life on what seems an impossible mission for the good of her country and humanity.

From the shores of the U.S. to the mountains of Argentina to the waters of the Caribbean, **SIR, I CAN EXPLAIN** will have readers on the edge of their seat as they follow Major O'Shane from hero to pariah as she infiltrates the murky underworld of human trafficking in a fast-paced novel that will leave readers breathless.

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