

Here is a link to an interview that I did just before the July 4th holiday for Representative Matt Shea of Washington for my book ***Privacy Wars*** (which predicted both the NSA and IRS scandals).

America's becoming a "Total Surveillance State" is a useful thing to reflect on this Independence Day holiday, and I'm not alone to raise this issue. Several other novelists (including Brad Thor, and crime writers like Michael Connelly) are now including this in their plot lines.

Modern technology goes far beyond the Gestapo's or KGB's wildest dreams. It allows "prisons without walls" and the old novel **1984** has seen a resurgence of sales. To me, it is spooky how Thriller novels have crashed into totalitarian reality.

Brad has defined a word to describe this new genre of fiction. He calls it "Faction," fiction that is based on real-life facts, and real it is. All the presenters at Oregon's largest conservative political event ([Gathering of Eagles 2013](#)) will be given signed copies of ***Privacy Wars*** to thank them. One of the people who endorsed my next novel, ***Soft Target***, retired Navy Captain Larry Bailey, in real life is cofounder of the group [Special Operations Speaks](#), a PAC which is lobbying Congress to support our troops and investigate Benghazi. Oregon's liberal Democratic Senators have joined with their Republican colleagues to investigate NSA and IRS overreach.

Comments and questions about this interview are welcomed. (They don't have it "archived" yet for download, but if I can I will eventually get this up on my web page.)

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