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## About the Author

Michael Freedland is an award-winning journalist and author. He has written extensively about American history, the film industry, and the fight for free speech. His previous books include *Hollywood in Crisis* and *The Rise and Fall of the American Left*.

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