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He has appeared frequently on network and public television and his 10 books include *The Anthrax Letters* (National Academies Press/Skyhorse, revised 2009), named an HONOR BOOK by the NJ Council for the Humanities. He is also co-author of *Local Planning for Terror and Disaster: From Bioterrorism to Earthquakes* (Wiley, 2012). A member of the Aspen Institute's WMD Working Group on Homeland Security, he is co-author/editor of *WMD Terrorism* (an Aspen Institute report, 2012).

