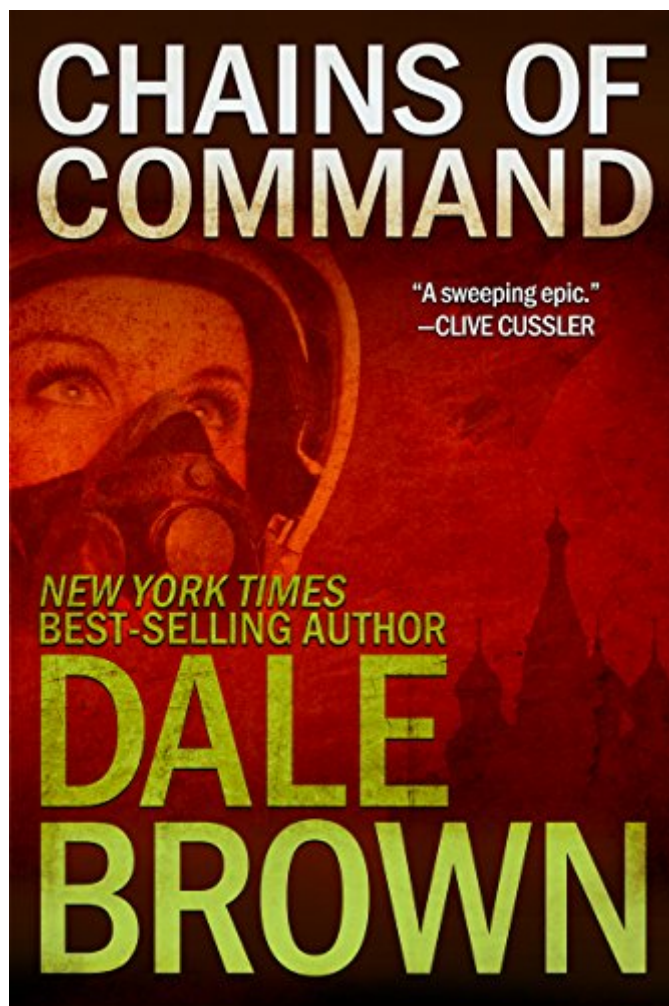


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# Chains Of Command



## Synopsis

The best military adventure writer in the country today. â "Clive CusslerA superb storyteller. â "W.E.B. GriffinHardliners gain control of Russia and motion to retake Ukraine. After detonating an atomic device in Ukraine, the United States flies in a fleet of F-111 combat planes for support â " including some of the first women to fly in combat, who have something to prove. About the Author:Dale Brown is a former U.S. Air Force Captain, and the author of 22 novels, 14 of which went on to become New York Times Best Sellers. He is also the co-author of the DREAMLAND series of techno-thrillers. He lives in Nevada with his wife and son, stays involved in several law enforcement, education, and literacy organizations, and flies for Angel Flight West and Civil Air Patrol.

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## Customer Reviews

Chains of Command is a well written, well-researched book that, while fictitious, closely parallels many current events. The author presents a gook knowledge of military aircraft and their operation, as well as the political tentacles that often affect military operations. One of my benchmarks for appraising a book is what I call "The Believability Factor". This is especially important when writing a

novel set in the social, political and military realities of the times. Dale Brown does a very good job tying his characters and plot to current events, except in a couple of places where he steps over the line, relating some unrealistic happenings that distract from the book's overall "Believability Factor". Author Tom Clancy was undoubtedly the master of the "believable" military novel, and he set the bar very high for all writers who would attempt to follow in his footsteps. Chains of Command is well worth the read. It will capture your attention and entertain you to the last page, especially if you can ignore the few distractions

This is a highly charged, action-packed, adventure yarn! It is dated, but that may be part of its appeal. Think of it as a "period piece", from three decades in the past. Then you can imagine, "What if?" I decided to buy this book when it was cited in an episode of "Great Planes", on The Military Channel, that described the development and combat history of the F-111 fighter/bomber. The F-111 has always held my interest because of its swing-wing design and side-by-side (rather than tandem) seating. Therefore, it occurs to me that, if unusual airplane design does not intrigue you, then this story may not hold your attention. I am an Army brat, so I really enjoyed the true-to-life depiction of the interactions among the wide variety of characters and personalities that make up any organization in the uniformed services. Especially interesting is that a large part of the story is told from the perspective of one of the first female pilots in The United States Air Force. She had flown tanker jets and other types, but flying the F-111 was her chance to break through the "glass ceiling" for women in combat. She, her male counterpart (and love interest), and the F-111, share equal billing as main characters, and I was pleasantly surprised at how well the author brought them all to life. He did a good of painting a nuanced portrait of a woman blazing a trail in a traditionally male role, and a maverick pilot fighting demons from a previous combat experience, assigned to the same squadron, to fly a unique warplane into battle. I am surprised that no one made a movie of this book.

As I was reading this it started to bring back the memories. The force reduction was a change for the best according to the bean counters. But the damage was not visible until desert storm. But the story line was handled beautifully. As for accuracy of the procedures I didn't see any fault. The general feeling for the women in the trenches was pretty close to truth. It is a good read I enjoyed it will suggest it if asked.

For those of us that enjoy reading about possible current events regarding NATO, Soviet, and

American forces mixing it up. This is sure to please even the ones that demand accurate, well researched, and likely scenarios. The author goes to great lengths to provide character development, background information, and technical information adding to the experience. Well done! On a personal note, many years have passed, I relived many experiences, bases, and similar characters as described in this well written story. Reinforced pride in our service member's service past, present and future. I recommend this author highly. You will not be disappointed.

I've read this book before many years ago. The book progresses much slower than I remember. I know the book will pick up because I have read many Dale Brown books and they all become suspenseful at some point. The next one I pick up probably won't let me put it down.

Remember Red Storm Rising? A well written tight plot, with all the techno jargon that gives authenticity to this tale of international intrigue and political warfare. A must read for lovers of the Clancy genre.

While a bit heavy on airplane electronics and weaponry details, it was quite entertaining and well worth the hours. I truly enjoy all of Mr. Brown's novels.

Great as always. The problem is maybe too true. We elect people who would sell their souls on the political cross. God help us if even a tenth has any merit.

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