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Bill Cameron, W.H. Cameron

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Tiny bio (20 words, 153 characters, including spaces):

A denizen of Oregon, Cameron writes the critically-acclaimed mysteries *Crossroad*, *Property of the State*, and the award-winning *County Line*. bcmystery.net

Mini bio (36 words, 255 characters, including spaces):

When not tending his chickens, Bill Cameron shapes unruly words into riveting people in harrowing situations. His critically-acclaimed books include *County Line*, *Property of the State*, and, as W.H. Cameron, the high desert mystery *Crossroad*. bemystery.net

Shorter bio (67 words; 438 characters, including spaces):

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Short bio (101 words; 633 characters, including spaces):

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<u>Full bio</u> (349 words, 2,264 characters, including spaces):

When not tending his chickens, *Crossroad* author W.H. Cameron shapes unruly words into captivating people caught in harrowing situations. As Bill Cameron, he's the critically-acclaimed author of the edgy and stirring mysteries *County Line, Day One, Chasing Smoke* and *Lost Dog*—featuring irascible Portland homicide cop Skin Kadash. His young adult

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mystery *Property of the State*, introducing troubled yet resourceful Joey Getchie, was named one of *Kirkus Reviews* Best Books of 2016.

In a starred review, *Kirkus* described *Property of the State* as, "An eminently satisfying series opener for mystery fans who want their downtrodden detectives to be appealing, clever, and unafraid of action." *Booklist* said, "Joey's intense, gripping narration of his heartbreaking life will haunt readers." *Publishers Weekly* said of *County Line*, "Contemporary sharp-edged noir doesn't get much better than Cameron's mournful novel featuring ex-cop Skin Kadash." *New York Times* bestselling author Chelsea Cain described *Day One* as "an utterly engrossing page-turner." In the *Vancouver Voice*, Carolyn Schultz-Rathbun said, "The body count is positively Shakespearean, but in Cameron's vision of P-town's dark underbelly, love really is strong as death. Maybe stronger." *Chasing Smoke* received a starred review from *Library Journal*, and *Booklist* declared, "it engages the reader on an emotional as well as literary level."

In 2012, County Line won the Spotted Owl Award for Best Northwest Mystery. Lost Dog was nominated for the 2008 Rocky Award and was a finalist for the 2008 Spotted Owl Award. Cameron's short story, "The Princess of Felony Flats," was nominated for a 2011 CWA Short Story Dagger Award. His short fiction has appeared in Alfred Hitchcock's Mystery Magazine, Portland Noir, Murder at the Beach, Killer Year, First Thrills, and A Beast Without A Name: Crime Fiction Inspired by the Music of Steely Dan.

Described by *Publishers Weekly* as a "pulse-pounding tale [that] begs to be read in one sitting," *Crossroad* introduces Melisende Dulac, an apprentice mortician more comfortable with the dead than the living.

Cameron is presently at work on a historical mystery set at the Oregon Coast, plus further intrigues in the life of Melisende Dulac.

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