ALVIN TOWNLEY: LEADERSHIP & LEGACY

Best-selling *New York Times*-reviewed author and Emmy-winning documentary storyteller Alvin Townley has traveled the world to define great legacies and discover inspiring stories of leadership and purpose.

He has trekked into South Sudan; dived on the Great Barrier Reef; visited the infamous Hanoi Hilton; met with renowned national leaders and icons; visited combat zones; and landed on three aircraft carriers in three oceans.

St. Martin's Press, New York, published his first four nationally-acclaimed books. Scholastic released *Captured* for young adults in 2019, and he was part of the Emmy-winning team behind the related PBS film *Jeremiah,* which won Best Historical Documentary.

Alvin has talked leadership with national icons like Michael Bloomberg, Ross Perot, J.W. Marriott, Jr., Robert Gates, Justice Stephen Breyer, *Unbroken*'s Louie Zamperini, and *Apollo 13*'s Jim Lovell, as well as Olympians, entrepreneurs, first responders, Navy SEALs, and leaders of all generations.

Alvin has been invited to speak about leadership and legacy at hundreds of venues nationwide including The White House and U.S. Capitol; CNN, FOX, and NPR have featured his expertise.

An Eagle Scout and NCAA athlete, Alvin studied politics and economics in Frankfurt, Brussels, Paris, and London before graduating Washington & Lee University. He has worked in the U.S. Congress; managed global strategy for a leading 85,000-person firm; led external relations for a Grammy- and Tony-winning national arts center; and recorded stories on five continents.

He lives outside his hometown of Atlanta, Georgia, close to the rivers and trails he loves to enjoy with his wife Suzanne and their two children.

- "Authentic" – Medal of Honor recipient Bud Day
- "Compelling" – Quarterback Peyton Manning
- "Gripping" – *The New York Times*
- "Inspirational" – Defense Sec. Robert Gates

- "Invaluable" – Mayor Michael Bloomberg
- "Riveting" – Senator John McCain
- "Superb" – J. W. Marriott, Jr.
- "Unforgettable" – President Jimmy Carter