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“A gripping chronicle by a corporate whistle-blower who achieved a stunning victory.”

—***Kirkus Reviews***

“*Exposure* treats readers to a fascinating inside look at bare-knuckled corporate governance...[it] should be compulsory reading for company directors and MBA students.”

—***The Economist***

“Woodford has written a brilliantly gripping book, with a great hero at its heart. His story is all the more frightening for being true.”

—**Rosamund Urwin, *The Evening Standard (UK)***

“Michael Woodford took a considerable risk in exposing wrongdoing. He was a study of boldness in action.”

—**Lionel Barber, editor, *Financial Times***

“Woodford’s reaction to the corporate malfeasance and corruption he discovered once he reached the top is even more noteworthy, though perhaps not surprising. Throughout his life he had demonstrated a willingness to speak out against what he perceived as treachery, even when it could result in financial harm or personal danger.”

—***Bloomberg BusinessWeek***

“Michael Woodford could have spent years turning a blind eye to the shady dealings of corporate executives at Olympus. Instead . . . he dove headfirst into allegations of corporate misconduct.”

—***Time*, in naming him a 2011 Person Who Mattered**

“Michael Woodford is a man who did not stand by and do nothing. He stood his ground and he spoke the truth. It’s people like him who keep our society from falling into total darkness. Japan could use more people like him.”

—**Jake Adelstein, author of *Tokyo Vice*, from the Afterword**

“He’s the most celebrated international whistleblower of recent times. His story is filled with mystery, suspense, and betrayal.”

—***Management Today***

“Michael Woodford lost his job for his integrity.”

—*The Economist*

#### About the Author

**Michael Woodford** was named Business Person of the Year by four major newspapers and won the *Financial Times/ArcelorMittal* Boldness in Business Person of the Year award. He lives in London.

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