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"A triple-overtime game keeps readers on the edge of their seats, but nerve-wracking as the action on the floor may be, the baggage that the players bring to the game is equally fraught." —*BCCB*, starred review

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"Volponi's latest combines in-the-moment action, basketball history and the points of view of four college ballplayers with very different lives ... No story or character is simple." —*Kirkus Reviews* 

#### About the Author

**Paul Volponi** is a writer, journalist, and teacher living in New York City. From 1992 to 1998, he taught incarcerated teens on Rikers Island to read and write. This experience formed the basis of *Black and White* and *Rikers High*. From 1999 to 2005, Mr. Volponi taught teens in a drug-treatment program. The experience inspired him to write *Rooftop*. Mr. Volponi is also the author of *Rucker Park Setup*, *Hurricane Song*, and *Response*. An ardent street ball player, Mr. Volponi draws upon his more than four decades of New York City court-sense to write *The Final Four*.

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