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Flunky

By Steven D. Vivian

BOSON BOOKS, United States, 2003. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 234 x 154 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****. I had a great time reading Flunky .a good, ribald academic comedy. Tony Award winner Mark Medoff, author of Children of a Lessor God and The Homage. Money is oil to dignity s water. So muses John Deyme, the eager bumbler of FLUNKY . Fully ambitious and fully talentless, John is determined to impress West Central College president Don Boyle, a savvy practitioner of rough-and-tumble, Chicago-style patronage and politics. As associate dean, John greases the skids for the mercurial Boyle s schemes. John becomes an academic bag man, buying off Boyle s enemies and manipulating faculty union elections. John s willingness to roll in the dirt of realpolitik impresses his superiors, and soon he is assigned dicier tasks, such as destroying public housing to pave the way for West Central s campus expansion. Along the way, John has comic clashes with faculty union zealots, with Jo Ann Staulen, the college s grim PC Dean, and with his drinking pal and fellow flunky Bruce Herrig. John s personal life is also an ever messier tangle: he loves...



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