bookstores, are still put there
Noble or another wellnoble or anot

NO-HASSLE PUBLISHING:

An Author's Guide to Today's Changing Industry

"I read, 'No-Hassle Publishing' and found it helpful. It was useful to read something straightforward and honest. I plan to use it as part of a guide I am building for myself."

-Geremy Howard Katy, Texas

www.aflairforwriting.com



NO-HASSLE PUBLISHING - An Author's Guide to Today's Changing Industry Copyright 2010 Donna Erickson

Limits of Liability/Disclaimer of Warranty:

The author and publisher of this book have used their best efforts in preparing this material. The author and publisher make no representation or warranties with respect to the accuracy, applicability, fitness, or completeness of the contents of this information. They disclaim any warranties (expressed or implied), merchantability, or fitness for any particular purpose. The author and publisher shall in no event be held liable for any loss or other damages, including but not limited to special, incidental, consequential, or other damages. The author and publisher do not warrant the performance, effectiveness or applicability of any sites listed in this book. All links are for informational purposes only and are not warranted for content, accuracy or any other implied or explicit purpose. As always, the advice of a competent legal, tax and accounting or other professional should be sought.

All rights reserved. No part of this book may be reproduced or transmitted in any form or by any means, electronic or mechanical, including photocopying, recording, or by any information storage and retrieval system, without written permission from the author or publisher.

ISBN: 978-1-61658-653-9

First Edition, January 2010; First Printing, January 2010

A Flair For Writing-Publishing Services

Table of Contents:

Author's Note	1
Chapter 1: Finding a Publisher—Traditional vs. Self-Publishing	
Chapter 2: Signing a Contract	10
Chapter 3: ISBNs	15
Chapter 4: Bookstore vs. Online Sales	17
Chapter 5: FAQs	19
Chapter 6: The Path to Publishing	22
Chapter 7: What Led Me Here	23
Chapter 8: Our Team	26
Chapter 9: What Makes Us Different	27
Testimonials	29

DEDICATION

In memory of my father, Samuel Gilman, who--beginning at age seven--spent nearly seventy-eight of his eighty-seven years working and running his family's print shop, American Creative Printers (formerly American Press) in Boston, and later, in Randolph, MA. I believe he would be proud of this book.

NO-HASSLE PUBLISHING:

An Author's Guide to Today's Changing Industry

By Donna J. Erickson

You've written your first book, and you want to publish it. Millions of you are in this position right now.

Before you do anything, please keep reading—to learn my suggestions for helping you do it right the first time. The publishing world is "ready to eat you alive," and you don't want to become their latest victim. I've done a lot of research on this issue, and have found many scams, frauds, and misleading claims out there. I am writing and publishing this book to help new authors avoid being scammed. I have heard too many "nightmare" stories.

In the chapters ahead, I'll show you how to avoid falling prey to their schemes and how to make profitable decisions—in today's changing face of publishing.

In the past, most authors approached large, traditional publishing companies and, like today, faced a lot of rejection. Those who were accepted usually had their works edited in-house for free, as part of the publishing process. Today, nearly all publishers expect manuscripts to be edited before they arrive for publication. And the large advances and extensive marketing campaigns of the past have been reduced or eliminated by traditional publishing sources. These changes, along with the ease and faster completion, have helped make self-publishing more appealing to many of today's authors.