

# *About The Cover*

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Steven King Ainsworth was born in Los Angeles, California on October 3, 1944. He began his convict career in 1968 and spent most of the next thirty years in prison. His last eighteen years have been spent on Death Row, at San Quentin, California awaiting execution for a crime committed in 1978.

Steven's fiction and non-fiction, poetry and art work have been published and exhibited in the USA and internationally. He is a self-taught artist. In his own words:

During my quarter century plus of confinement, I have always been drawn to creative endeavours in order to alleviate the boredom and stress of incarceration. The therapeutic value of creating something positive in the negative environment of prison is immense.

Damned and Condemned  
Steven King Ainsworth  
Death Row, San Quentin  
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