# **GLORY DENIED**

Libretto by Tom Cipullo Based on the book by Tom Philpott

## **ACT I**

# Older Thompson

(spoken) It didn't matter—whatever I did.

# **Younger Thompson**

It doesn't matter, whatever I do.

# **Older Thompson**

I'd had some intelligence training, so I understood what they were doing.

# **Younger Thompson**

But even knowing, I can't change it.

### **Older Thompson**

That's the hell of it. When they control your environment so completely, they can manipulate your morale at will.

# **Younger Thompson**

will.

#### **Older Thompson**

You can fight

#### **Younger Thompson**

fight it

#### **Older Thompson**

to a certain point. You can try

#### **Younger Thompson**

try to minimize the effect

#### **Older Thompson**

but you

#### **Younger Thompson**

you can't get away from it.

Longer interrogation sessions, less sleep, cut wood, blow on the fire,