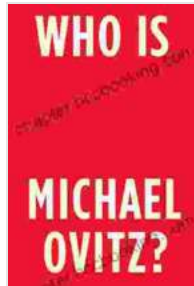


Who Is Michael Ovitz: The Inside Story of the Most Powerful Man in Hollywood



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Ovitz is a brilliant businessman and a master negotiator. He has a keen eye for talent and knows how to get his clients the best deals. He is also a ruthless competitor and has been known to use his power to crush his rivals.

In this book, journalist Michael Wolff tells the inside story of Ovitz's life and career. Wolff has interviewed Ovitz and many of his associates, and he provides a fascinating look at the man behind the power.

Who Is Michael Ovitz is a must-read for anyone who wants to understand the inner workings of Hollywood. It is a revealing portrait of a complex and controversial figure.

Chapter 1: The Early Years

Michael Ovitz was born in Chicago in 1946. His father was a doctor and his mother was a teacher. Ovitz was a bright and ambitious child, and he excelled in school.

After graduating from high school, Ovitz attended Harvard University. He majored in English and was a member of the Phi Beta Kappa honor society.

After graduating from Harvard, Ovitz moved to Los Angeles to pursue a career in the entertainment industry. He got a job as a mailroom clerk at the William Morris Agency.

Ovitz quickly rose through the ranks at William Morris, and he soon became one of the agency's top agents. In 1975, he co-founded CAA with Ron Meyer and Bill Haber.

Chapter 2: The Rise of CAA

CAA quickly became one of the most successful talent agencies in Hollywood. Ovitz had a knack for signing the biggest names in the entertainment industry, and he was known for his aggressive negotiating tactics.

Under Ovitz's leadership, CAA grew into a global powerhouse. The agency represented some of the biggest stars in the world, including Tom Cruise,

Leonardo DiCaprio, and Steven Spielberg.

Ovitz also used his power to influence the entertainment industry. He was a major force behind the rise of the blockbuster movie, and he helped to create the modern studio system.

Chapter 3: The Fall of Ovitz

In the early 1990s, Ovitz began to lose his grip on power. He made a series of bad decisions, and he alienated many of his clients.

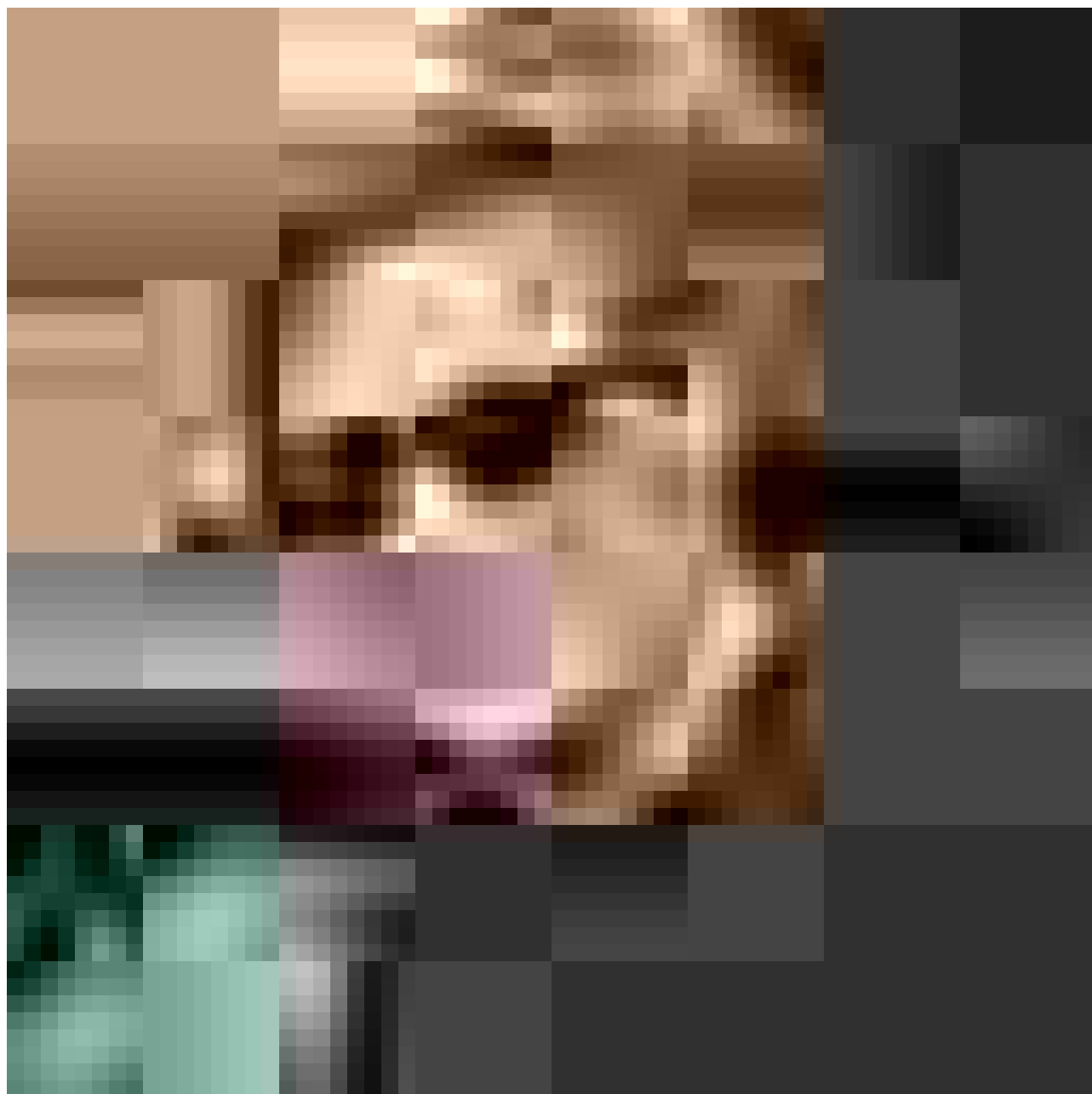
In 1995, Ovitz was forced out of CAA. He started his own agency, Artists Management Group (AMG), but it was never as successful as CAA.

Ovitz has since retired from the entertainment industry. He lives in Beverly Hills with his wife, Judy, and their two children.

Michael Ovitz is a complex and controversial figure. He was one of the most powerful men in Hollywood, but he also made many enemies.

Ovitz's story is a cautionary tale about the dangers of power. It is a reminder that even the most powerful people can be brought down by their own hubris.

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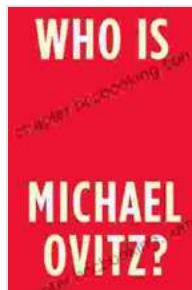


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