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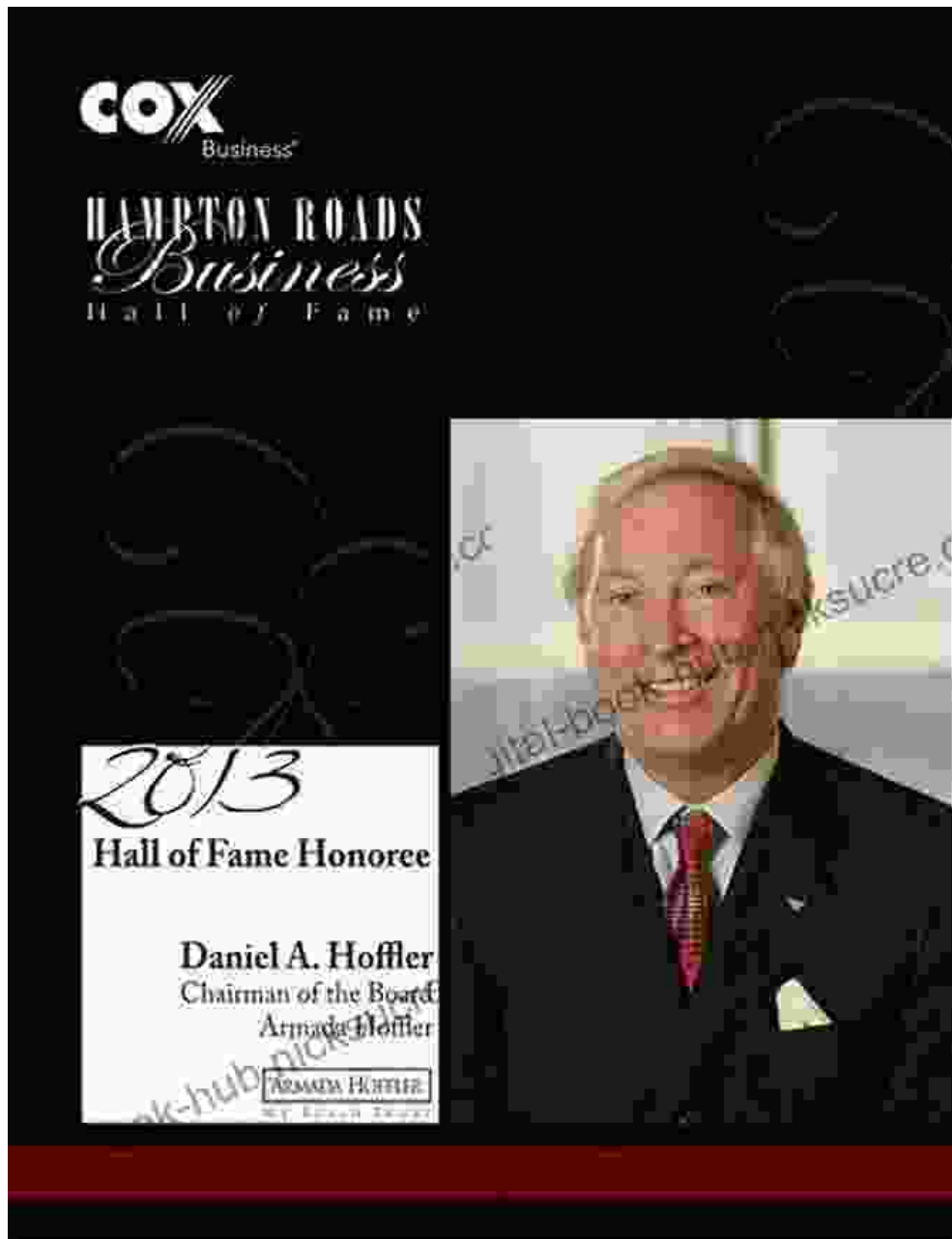
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Dan Hoffler was born on June 5, 1963, in a small town in Pennsylvania. Growing up in a modest family, he witnessed firsthand the challenges and rewards of hard work. From a young age, he displayed an entrepreneurial spirit, starting his first business at the tender age of 12, selling handmade crafts to neighbors.

Hoffler excelled academically, graduating valedictorian of his high school class. He continued his education at the prestigious Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania, where he earned a degree in economics. During his time at Wharton, he honed his business acumen and leadership skills, serving as president of the Wharton Entrepreneurship Club.

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Upon graduating from Wharton, Hoffler embarked on a successful career in investment banking. However, his entrepreneurial spirit soon called him back. In 1991, he co-founded iStar Financial, a real estate investment company that quickly became a major player in the industry.

Hoffler's vision and leadership guided iStar's growth into a multi-billion dollar enterprise. Under his leadership, the company expanded its portfolio

to include residential, commercial, and hospitality properties. Hoffler's innovative approach to real estate, including the acquisition of distressed assets during the Great Recession, earned him recognition as a visionary investor.

Philanthropy and Social Impact

Beyond his business success, Hoffler is deeply committed to philanthropy and social impact. In 2004, he established the Hoffler Family Foundation, which supports a wide range of causes, including education, healthcare, and the arts.

Hoffler's philanthropic efforts have had a profound impact on communities across the United States. He has donated millions of dollars to support scholarships, after-school programs, and healthcare initiatives. He is also a passionate advocate for affordable housing, working with organizations to develop innovative solutions to the housing crisis.

Leadership and Recognition

Hoffler's leadership extends beyond his business and philanthropic endeavors. He is actively involved in numerous organizations, including the Urban Land Institute, the Wharton School Board of Overseers, and the President's Council on Colleges and Universities.

Hoffler's contributions have been widely recognized. He has received numerous awards and honors, including the Wharton School's MBA of the Year Award, the Urban Land Institute's Prize for Excellence, and the

Carnegie Corporation's Great Immigrants Award. In 2022, he was inducted into the Philadelphia Business Hall of Fame.

Dan Hoffler's journey is a testament to the power of hard work, vision, and compassion. From his humble beginnings to his extraordinary accomplishments as an entrepreneur, philanthropist, and changemaker, Hoffler has made a significant impact on the world. His story continues to inspire others to pursue their dreams and make a positive difference in their communities.
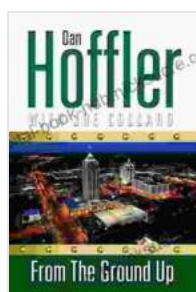
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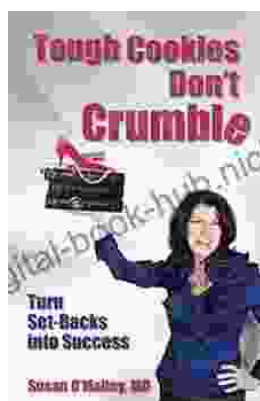
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