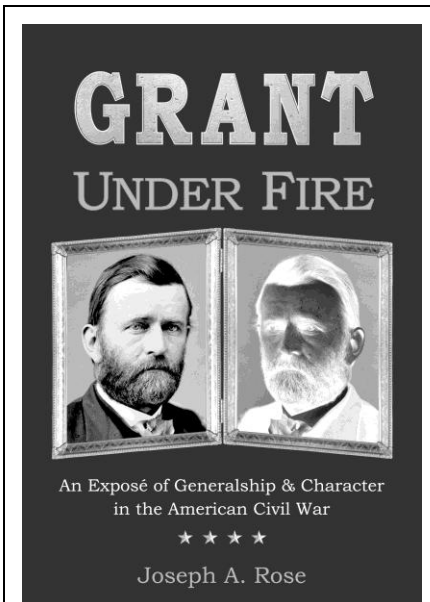


## **GRANT UNDER FIRE**

### ***An Exposé of Generalship & Character in the American Civil War***

A book by Joseph A. Rose challenges Ulysses S. Grant's reputation as a military genius and as a reliable chronicler of America's bloodiest conflict.



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