

CONTENTS

Foreword by *Stuart E. Eizenstat* xi

Cast of Characters xv

Glossary xix

Map xxiv

The Building xxv

Prologue xxvii

PART ONE

- 1 I've Come to Claim My Family's Building 3
- 2 H. Wolff 9
- 3 My Mother's Birth 17
- 4 Well-heeled Nomads 29
- 5 The Gathering Storm 33
- 6 Palestine 41
- 7 *Entjudung* (The Removal of Jews from the
German Economy) 55
- 8 "What Would I Do Without the *Lüneburger Heide*?" 67
- 9 Making Her Own Way 73
- 10 After the War: Love and Marriage 79
- 11 Those Who Survived and Those Who Did Not 87

PART TWO

- 12 A Question of Ownership 97
- 13 My Life in Britain 101
- 14 What Had My Grandmother Once Told Me? 105
- 15 Our Investigation Begins 109
- 16 Lawyers and Wills 115

17	The Smoking Gun	119
18	Proving the Line of Inheritance	129
19	The <i>Reichsbahn's</i> Motive	135
20	Claims and Counterclaims	139
21	Who's Who in Nazi Germany	149
22	Dr. Hamann and the Victoria Insurance Company	153
23	Back to Berlin: The Frustration Grows	159
24	The Formal Claim	165
25	Getting Their Own Back	171
26	Light at the End of the Tunnel	177
27	Negotiating a Price and Dividing the Payout	181

PART THREE

28	New Archives, New Answers	189
29	The Evidence from Sachsenhausen	193
30	The Fate of Dresdener Strasse 97	197
31	Fritz's Life During the War	201
32	Exit from the Reich	211
33	Deutsche Bank	215
34	The Victoria's History	219
35	The Terrible Truth about Kurt Hamann	227
36	Coda	241

Epilogue 247

Select Bibliography 249

Acknowledgments 253

Index 257