Query wording

My last thriller, “Storm Crashers” won gold as Best Popular Fiction at the Florida Book Awards, and was optioned by Twentieth Century Fox. I’ve just completed a new thriller that might solidify a new genre: Holiday Thriller. It’s titled, “Don’t Be Home for Christmas.”

Kyle Colbert just wants to go home for Christmas. He savors his train commutes from a hectic Manhattan job to his idyllic small town. But as he arrives on Christmas Eve, his family tries to kill him. His neighbors and entire community want him dead. He can’t flee to authorities because even the FBI is in a lethal pursuit. With a $1,000,000 reward for his “Death or Whereabouts,” he must stay alive long enough to solve the mystery and stop an even larger tragedy.

You think your holidays are stressful?” I was inspired to write the story after the annual debate whether “Die Hard” is a Christmas movie or not. So I decided to write my own story with relentless action, thrills and dark humor, and put “Christmas” in the title to remove all doubt.

The manuscript is complete at 70,000 words. I’ve also adapted a screenplay. I’d be happy to sign a release. Please let me know if you’d like to see more.

**Words I like:**

* Orders to shoot on sight
* Everyone he knows suddenly wants him dead
* Have turned against him
* Everyone he meets will try to kill him…