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John Alite and the question of whether he's violating the terms of his Supervised Release

18 Attachments, 9.2 MB

Richard,

I appreciated talking with you yesterday. By way of introduction, here's a link to my author's page on amazon which contains a brief bio and lists my published work for HarperCollins.

http://www.amazon.com/Peter-Lance/e/B001HD1116/ref=sr_tc_2_0?qid=1425767896&sr=1-2-ent

As discussed, my initial question concerns the policy of The U.S. Probation Department you described that forbids you from either confirming or denying whether a former federal prisoner is on Supervised Release.

As a journalist, it seems to me that this defies the ability of an average person to supply information to your department on whether or not one of the ex-cons you supervise is violating his or her parole.

As noted, please cite me the specific Federal statute, rule or regulation that seems to protect the privacy of ex-felons over the safety interests of the public. As a veteran investigative reporter it actually took me several days with calls to various officials of the Justice Department to get your number.

WHY THIS MATTERS RE: JOHN ALITE

The validity and relevance of my request takes on a sharp focus as a

result of the research I've done in the last few weeks on John E. Alite, a one-time low level associate of the Gambino crime family who was sentenced by Judge Susan Bucklew in U.S. District Court for The Middle District of Florida on April 26th, 2011 to 120 months after pleading guilty to his involvement in two murders, four murder conspiracies, at least eight shootings and two attempted shootings, not to mention a series of armed home invasions in New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Florida.

His case number is: **8:04-cr-0038-SCB-TGW-2.**

On January 10th, 2012 Judge Bucklew reduced his sentenced by 20 months after federal prosecutors made a second downward release motion claiming that he provided "substantial assistance" in the conviction of a number of "members" and "associates" of organized crime.

At the time of his original sentencing Mr. Alite was also sentenced to 60 Months of Supervised release. See attached a pdf of the Judgment which sets for the terms of that release. **8:04-cr-348-T-24TGW:**

On information and belief Mr. Alite now resides at: 78 Brick Road, Cherry Hill, NJ 08003, which would put him under the jurisdiction of your office in Camden, less than eight (8) miles away.

As I told you, on Monday, speaking by phone with Susan Saylor, Judge Bucklew's criminal deputy in Tampa, she confirmed for me that Mr. Alite remains on Supervised Release and that despite the modification of his initial prison sentence, the duration and terms as set forth in that Judgement remain in full force and effect.

Three of the Standard Conditions of Supervision restricting Alite's movement are:

1) the defendant shall not leave the judicial district without the permission of the court or probation officer and;

9) the defendant shall not associate with any persons engaged in criminal

activity and shall not associate with any person convicted of a felony, unless granted permission to do so by the probation officer.

13) as directed by the probation officer, the defendant shall notify third parties of risks that may be occasioned by the defendant's criminal record or personal history or characteristics and shall permit the probation officer to make such notifications and to confirm the defendant's compliance with such notifications.

Further one of the Special Conditions of Supervision is that:

X. The defendant is prohibited from associating with specific groups, such as organized crime figures or families.

EVIDENCE THAT JOHN ALITE HAS VIOLATED THESE TERMS WITH IMPUNITY:

As noted during our conversation, as a journalist I first became aware of John Alite in detail last August (2014) when John A. "Junior" Gotti called me and asked me to consider writing the Foreword to his new biography "Shadow of My Father."

He'd been aware of my fourth and latest book for HarperCollins, "Deal With The Devil," a detailed study of the FBI's 30+ year relationship with Gregory Scarpa Sr. aka "The Grim Reaper" and "The Killing Machine."

The story I chronicled in a book of 652 pages documented with nearly 2,000 annotations and documentary appendices, told the unexpurgated truth about the Bureau's "unholy alliance" with Scarpa Sr. who was perhaps the most vicious and violent "made man" in Cosa Nostra history -- a capo in the Colombo family who "stopped counting" after 50 murders.

This is a link to the Introduction to "Deal" which was excerpted by [salon.com](http://www.salon.com):

http://www.salon.com/2013/06/30/its_not_just_whitey_bulger_meet_another_mafia_killer_aided_for_decades_by_the_fbi/

At the time of his call I told Mr. Gotti that I would not consider writing the foreword until I had fully researched the history of his initial guilty plea (to racketeering) his six and a half year prison term and the four (4) separate federal prosecutions that followed (with a 5th parole tax action).

In the last trial in 2009 which became known as "Gotti Jr. IV" the governments "star" witness was John Alite.

His credibility as a witness (or lack thereof) was underscored in this A.P. story following the mistrial, after which the government finally decided to stop trying to convict the son of "The Teflon Don."

<http://abclocal.go.com/story?section=news/local&id=7147461>

Afterward, some jurors said they were evenly split throughout their deliberations on all counts. But they were unanimous on one point: The government's star cooperator, admitted mob enforcer and former Gotti friend John Alite, bombed on the witness stand.

"The whole jury agreed he was the least credible," said one juror who refused to give his name. The jurors identities were withheld by the court for their protection, a common practice in mob cases.

After months of research I wrote the Foreword which I'm attaching as a pdf, but this entry on my website dated January 11th, 2015, when the N.Y. Daily News first broke the story of "Shadow," explains my sense, at the time of publication, that John Alite aka "John Alletto," was never more than a non-Italian, low-level associate (of Albanian-American extraction) who had not been associated with Gotti's Jr. since they were in their early 20's.

<http://peterlance.com/wordpress/?p=5724>

In fact, despite the massive photographic, video and audio surveillance by the FBI of Mr. Gotti over the years, the government failed to

produce a single picture or recording of Mr. Gotti discussing any of the crimes named in the "Gotti IV" indictment with John Alite, whom Mr. Gotti had provable banished from New York years earlier for selling drugs.

GOTTI'S RULES

Despite his stunning lack of credibility, Mr. Alite and Mafia reporter George Anastasia, an ex-Philadelphia Inquirer reporter convinced my publisher HarperCollins to print Mr. Alite's account of events.

The book, which feature's Mr. Gotti's picture prominently on the cover is called "Gotti's Rules."

It was published in January, a few weeks after "Shadow of My Father" and after that Mr. Alite embarked on a "book tour" that took him to the states of Florida, Pennsylvania, Delaware and Ohio -- Further, since his release from prison in the Spring of 2012 he's made dozens of trips to New York, leaving the state of New Jersey with apparent impunity.

On his Facebook page Mr. Alite has discussed traveling to England and he's currently scheduled to speak at The Mob Museum in Las Vegas on September 10th.

<http://themobmuseum.org/events-posts/september-10-author-talk-with-john-alite-ex-nyc-mobster-associate-of-gambino-crime-family-and-former-bodyguard-to-john-gotti-jr/>

This is the link to photos of his recent trips out of NJ:

<https://www.facebook.com/johnny.alite.1/photos>

SEE PHOTOGRAPHIC EVIDENCE OF HIS OUT-OF-NJ TRAVEL BELOW:

QUERY: whether or not he got the permission of his federal probation officer each time he left New Jersey as mandated in the Conditions of his supervised release? Only his probation officer -- whose identity

seems to remain a state secret - would know that or be able to document it for your.

ALITE'S ASSOCIATION WITH O.C. FIGURES

As you'll see further documented below, on multiple occasions he's published pictures of himself with convicted members of organized crime, including:

PASQUALE "PATSY" ANDRIANO

The son of a murderous Genovese member whom Alite calls his "cousin" in "Gotti's Rules," Andriano was the confessed shooter in the murder of John Gebert, whom he killed on July 12th, 1996 at the age of 19."

Andriano, as you'll see from the attached SDNY motion from the prosecution of Gambino killer John Burke was a government witness (CW) in that trial -- and, like Alite was released from prison after his cooperation.

http://ca7.fd.org/Indiana_Southern/Documents/Jasper-%20Rule%2029%20Motion.pdf

In fact, Andriano was originally indicted with Alite in the alleged Gambino-related murder/racketeering prosecution in Tampa of Ronald J. "One Arm" Trucchio. This was the case in which Judge Bucklew sentenced Alite after his plea; though in this [Gaineville.com](http://www.gainesville.com/article/20041201/WIRE/212010340) article Andriano was mistakenly ID'd as Adriano.

<http://www.gainesville.com/article/20041201/WIRE/212010340>

By the way, when Andriano killed Gebert at Frankie & Johnny's bar in Queens, as he hid under a pool table, an innocent bystander was shot.

Below you'll see multiple recent pictures from Alite's Facebook account of him with Andriano, including them hanging out with Alite's sons at an unidentified beach resort and an upscale Long Island nightclub.

Understand that Andriano isn't just some mob associate, he's the convicted murderer of Gebert, one of the main counts in "Gotti Jr. IV" and it's clear that John Alite is regularly crossing state lines to party with him.

JAMES JIMMY CALANDRA

Known as "Jimmy Gap," Calandra was a violent member of the Bonnano "Bath Avenue Crew." In 1999 he was indicted as part of a larger Bonnano racketeering case for the felony murder of Judith Shemtov, a 46 year-old woman shot point blank in her doorway during a botched robbery attempt at her Staten Island home.

<http://www.nytimes.com/1999/10/17/nyregion/1991-killing-is-said-to-be-revenge-for-robbery-of-mob-figure-s-daughter.html>

http://mafia.wikia.com/wiki/James_Calandra

On or before July 24th, 2015 Alite, who has recently cast himself as a "motivational speaker," left NJ and traveled with Calandra to Cleveland for a benefit billed as a "benefit" for the Epilepsy Foundation.

At the event Mr. Alite claimed to "suffer" from epilepsy (though that alleged condition is never mentioned in "Gotti's Rules").

Theresa Neuhoff, a local news service who covered the fundraiser, first quoted Alite as claiming he'd committed over "40 murders," But when I questioned her in an email exchange, she changed the account to over "40 shootings."

Her first report:

Alite, who spent 20 years in prison, spoke about committing more than 40 murders. He shared his feelings of shame and regret for the crimes he committed.

Her modification:

Alite, who spent 20 years in prison and was involved in over 40 shootings, shared his feelings of shame and regret for the crimes he committed.

<http://www.news-herald.com/opinion/20150730/neuhoff-former-mafia-members-explain-why-the-life-should-not-be-glamorized>

But she also reported that Mr. Alite had "spent 20 years in prison," a number that defies belief given his reduced sentence of 100 months for which he got credit for six plus years time served.

During his time in Cleveland Mr. Alite apparently got so close to Ms. Neuhoff that they visited the beach together. This is a picture of them from Mr. Alite's Instagram account.

I include it here because after I politely questioned Ms. Neuhoff about whether Mr. Alite had leaned on her to change the story, he sent me the threatening email below in which he falsely accused me of threatening her.

It's a point that goes to Mr. Alite's state of mind, judgement and tendency to lash out those who question his behavior. Given his history as a violent criminal that should be relevant to any probation officer charged protecting the public from convicted ex-murderers like him.





Query, re: Cleveland, whether or not your department deemed this meeting of ex-mobsters a worthy cause, did Mr. Alite get permission to travel from NJ to Ohio and mix with "Jimmy Gap?"

ALITE'S THREATENING EMAIL

Last Tuesday, August 4th, after, as a reporter, I questioned Ms. Neuhoﬀ about her account of the event, Mr. Alite sent me the following email with the subject line "Jerk off."

It's revealing, not just because of the threats and false accusations he made about me (highlighted in bold) but because he seemed to be challenging me and John A. Gotti to meet him last Friday night in Little Italy in New York.

This suggests again that your office is keeping Mr. Alite on an very long leash or at least that's what he thinks.

From: John Alite <jonlucas.ja@gmail.com>

Subject: Jerk off

Date: August 4, 2015 8:03:40 AM PDT

To: netgraph@earthlink.net, "Douglas C. Anton Esq. (201-487-2055)"
<douganton@aol.com>

I received a email asking for a tape of my event in Cleveland. Then another retracting the first. I was curious why until I saw who wrote it and why. It only fits that you work for the Gottis. Passive aggressive threat to a women. I see you fit right in with them. **Heroin addict who was chased from his work n television. Arrogant spineless who chases crumbs after a dog who won't leave his house.** Let him know it's good that his not on official house arrest and saves the cost of paying the Marshalls. Scared to travel to the boroughs or I'd invite you both to dinner and talk about a proposal together. **IL be on Mulberry street Friday night with friends discussion over a tv. Project. Your both welcome to come. 8 o'clock.**

Besides that I'm curious why your trying to intimidate a women when that's exactly your reputation trying to sleep with reporters from Daily mail etc. Lol. Please keep your threats to a minimum. News flash Gotti is a rat since 2005 at least from what we know. Me I'm a cooperator who was once very violent but enjoys my life and what I do now helping kids. You guys should try it instead of being obsessed with me. It's over the mob his family lies and cons. So move on as I did. So if your bent on being a **boy toy with no pride** for him then continue getting your crumbs. Your reputation is soiled as it is now your becoming a joke following Gotti around to the media people. Keep a bit of pride for your own sake. . Thanks the video will be up for you and everyone to see by Friday. If you like to be at my next charity talk and event please feel free. You can be my personal guest IL treat you with respect and dignity if you stop behaving like a **lap dog** but a respectable man . Thanks again John Alite.

In that email, not only does Alite falsely accuse me of being a "heroin addict who was chase (sic) from his work n (sic) television, a "lap dog" and "boy toy" of Gotti for whom I "chase crumbs," but he also falsely claims that I tried to "sleep with reporters from Daily mail etc."

These are the rantings of a man who feels that he can intimidate a journalist with impunity. But his threats don't stop with me. On April 20th, apparently in retaliation for criticism of him by a British woman named Janine Finch" He texted a picture of her (from her Facebook

page) showing Mrs. Finch and her husband with this comment:

"Hi everyone (sic) This is Janine finch69 the women who we need to poster all over how not to act. This is your typical bully coward who we want our children to be nothing like. She is (sic) crude individual. Next month when I come to the UK I will pass her address out for you all to know her. Please understand this is someone that hides under a different name and is the worse (sic) example of a mother adult and human being."



Richard, I ask you, how do you reconcile that kind of cyber bullying by

Mr. Alite and his menacing and defamatory email to me with Condition 13) under the Conditions of his Supervised Release, i.e.

13) as directed by the probation officer, the defendant shall notify third parties of risks that may be occasioned by the defendant's criminal record or personal history or characteristics

Query whether Mr. Alite is notifying his probation officer or any "third parties" of his the risks he poses?

As a veteran reporter who's covered O.C. for years I doubt it.

Worse, he's so cocky and confident of not being "violated" that he audaciously publishes these threats.

ANOTHER JACK HENRY ABBOTT

Every probation officer alive should be well aware of the notorious case from 1981 in which a number of New York literati including Norman Mailer, campaigned to get Jack Henry Abbott, who'd been convicted of forgery, manslaughter and bank robbery out of prison. They backed Abbott because of his celebrated prison memoir "In The Belly of the Beast."

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jack_Abbott_\(author\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jack_Abbott_(author))

But six weeks after he was released Abbott snapped after an argument in a Manhattan cafe and stabbed a young man to death. His name was Richard Adan, then 22, an aspiring actor and playwright himself who'd been working as a waiter there. Abbott was locked up and later committed suicide in prison.

So what kind of threat "on the outside" is John Alite?

I ask you to read the attached Forward to my book and pay special attention to the section on pages xxiv-xxv.

As you'll see see, the jury in "Gotti Jr. IV" was stunned when Alite

seemed to revel while describing how he tortured a poor electrician he'd hired; stripping him, "piping" him, forcing him into a frigid pond on his New Jersey property; shooting at him and then tying him up naked in his unheated garage in the middle of winter while Alite casually went to dinner.

That's the kind of treatment one would expect from ISIS, al Qaeda or The Taliban; not a star federal witness and certainly not a man who is headlining a fundraiser for a Cleveland non-profit.

This potential "ticking time bomb" lives in your jurisdiction and the more power he feels, the greater the likelihood that he'll strike out at some poor individual who has the audacity to criticize him.

The irony in all of this in my comparison of John Alite to Abbott, is that Jack Henry actually had literary talent, whereas Mr. Alite, aka "Johnny Corvette," was a low level Mafia wannabe who, as AP reporter Tom Hays wrote (in the piece above) "bombed" as a witness.

Richard as the Duty Officer of the U.S. Probation Office in Camden I ask that you take all of this very seriously.

Please furnish me with the following:

- 1) Whe name and contact information of John Alite's probation officer so that I can contact him or her if I come upon any additional information that he's violating the terms of his Supervised Release.
- 2) Whatever your legal justification is for not divulging the status of his release and
- 3) Any follow-up to this email that your office might effect.

MY COMPLAINT TO THE FBI

Last week after I got his threatening email I contacted Jay Trezevant, the AUSA who was Alite principal handler as a CW during "Gotti Jr. IV" A few days later I got a call from SSA Joseph Brine and SA Jaime

Acquirre in the FBI's LA Field Office.

I spent about an hour with them on the phone and sent them following information. While the federal prosecutors they consulted didn't think that Mr. Alite's "Jerk off" email rose to the level of a prosecutable crime, they told me they would continue to assess the situation.

SA Aquirre was also kind enough to give me the number of the Department of Probation in Newark which led me to you. I'm going to copy he and SSA Brine on this email along with AUSA Trezevant, so that all DOJ employees are in the loop.

If any of the screen attachments/jpgs, etc. don't show up in this email I will make a pdf of it and send it to you.

Please get back to me as soon as possible.

Many thanks,

www.peterlance.com

310-804-6800

Note: I'm also going to send a printed copy of this email to Judge Susan Bucklew, whom I'm sure has no idea how John Alite has been serving out his Supervised Release.



[J. Alite Supe....pdf \(4.8 MB\)](#)



[Final Shado...pdf \(573 KB\)](#)

Shots of Alite with convicted Mafia murderer Patsy Andriano;second from right



mpalite216



At an L.I. club "Body English" In Carle Place, NY, Andriano is at far left



Andriano is in the middle in the picture below:

New one from last
night Patsy in
middle



alitejohn

3h



And some guy Sal

Shots of Alite and Calandra at the epilepsy fundraiser. Calandra's on the right, Alite, third from right.

Neuhoff: Former mafia members explain why the life should not be glamorized



Former mafia members Jimmy Calandra, far right, and John Alite, third from the right, spoke about how they are trying to turn their lives around at benefit for the Epilepsy Foundation at LaVera Party Center on July 24.

Partying afterward. Calandra at far left.



John Alite shared Perry Hovater's photo.

July 25 at 10:08pm · 🌐



Perry Hovater

My new crew!! Look out!

41 Likes 2 Comments

Various shots of Alite during his "book tour" to N.Y. Pennsylvania, Delaware, and Florida, along with sporting events he attended in Philly and New York (Queens).

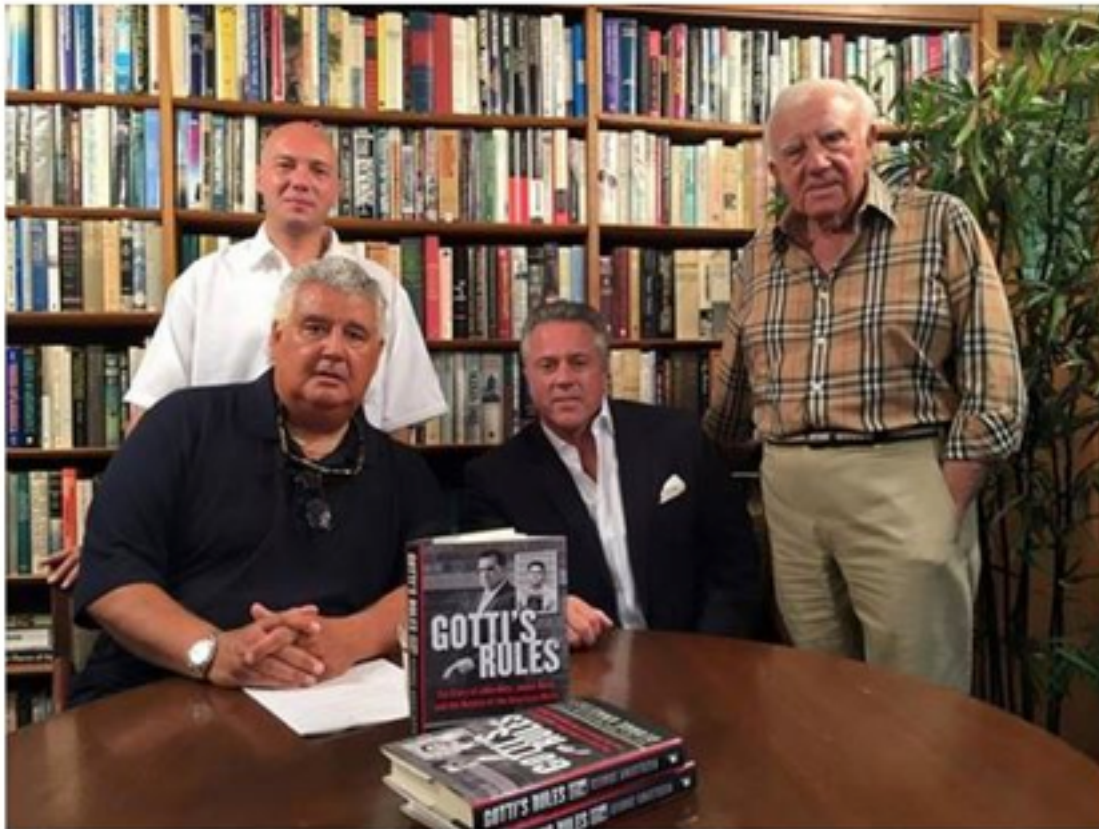
Pennsylvania:



John Alite

May 28 · 🌐

Today's T.V. show in Wayne County P.A. on Bullying was a pleasure with John Ricciutti. And buddy Joe and Jason.



124 Likes 10 Comments 6 Shares

The Bronx:



John Alite

June 12 · 🌐

Lunch in the Bronx Teeing up for the next book.





228 Likes 43 Comments 1 Share

Tampa:

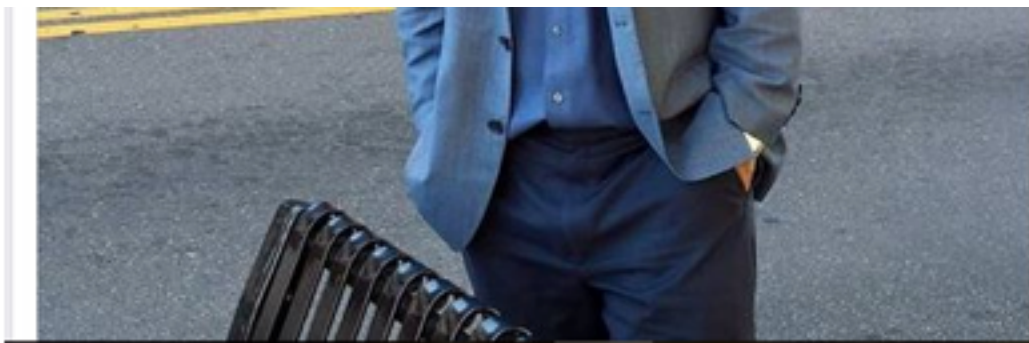


John Alite

May 18 · Edited · 🌐

Ybor city Tampa. Another book coming soon.





Delaware:



Jason Malone

May 12 · 🌐

BOOK SIGNING UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE. — with John Alite.



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Massepequa, LI:



Philadelphia at Phillies game.



John Alite

May 8 · 🌐

Small world two nites in a row ran into my friend Buddy and His wife Laura. Tonight Laura at Philadelphia n Met game in Philly. Beautiful nite.



86 Likes 11 Comments

Met Game at home:

Alite at Citi Field, Queens, NY:



John Alite

April 13 · New York, NY · 🌐

Met opening game with the boys Jason Joe Billy Cuz Mike n Myself.
Motivating Mets to win



110 Likes 23 Comments