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So far, I've uncovered some astonishing evidence and I've been able to talk to a number of people who observed the incident immediately after the fact. I've also spoken to some surviving veterans of the Newport Police Dept. and others who were related to the detectives who worked the case. One of my goals is to tell the real truth behind who Eduardo Tirella was. As I've learned after connecting with his family in NJ, he was a truly remarkable Renaissance man who had a highly successful Hollywood career and for nearly a decade designed the interiors of all of Miss Duke's homes in Hawaii, L.A. NYC, New Jersey and Rough Point in Newport. Tragically he was about to leave her to resume his life in Los Angeles-- literally intending to remove his paintings and other effects from Rough Point on the afternoon he was killed. As some have speculated Eduardo was gay and was not Doris Duke's lover but he was her "constant companion" for years and

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personally curated many of the great works of art you can see today if you take a tour of that amazing "summer cottage" @ 680 Bellevue Avenue. One little known fact about "Eddie" as his family called him, was that he was a war hero -- a veteran of The Battle of the Bulge where he won The Bronze Star and two Purple Hearts for his service to Gen. Patton. See a photo of that decoration attached. I ask any of you who are truly interested in the facts behind his death to email me @ pl@peterlance.com. Anyone who knows me understands that I ALWAYS keep my sources confidential. Anyway, I look forward to hearing from you.

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