

Newport Police Dept. Reopening of “The Duke Case” Timeline July 1st to Nov. 4th 2021

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7.1.21	<p>Robert E. “Bob” Walker Jr. (BW) the former paperboy for Rough Point, calls the NPD after reading “Homicide At Rough Point” (HARP) and tells Lt. Corey A. Huck (CH) that he wants to come forward with his eyewitness account of the events leading up to and immediately following the homicide of Eduardo Tirella (ET) killed by Doris Duke (DD) on 10.7.66.</p> <p>According to BW, CH asks him if he is trying to “unburden” his “soul.”</p>	<p>BW interview recorded on video by Peter Lance outside Rough Point on 7.4.21; Interview of BW by Det. Jacques Wuest (JW) conducted on 7.2.21, transcribed by PL following production of the audio recording pursuant to an APRA request filed on 8.16.21.</p>
7.2.21	<p>CH arranges for BW to be interviewed by JW, the NPD’s cold case detective, whose legal name is Jacqueline Marocco, but who uses JW as her professional name.</p>	<p>JW letter/email to PL on 8.2.21</p>
7.2.21	<p>JW interviews BW for Approximately one (1) hour and fifty (50) minutes in CID Interview Room # 1 at the NPD.</p> <p>Within the first few minutes BW says, “Why I’m here? I’d almost like to touch on that. Your Lt. Huck said to me... he didn’t ask me a lot of questions. He just said, “Do you want to unburden your soul?” No. (laughs) (emphasis added). That’s not what it is at all... I don’t feel a burden. It’s personal to me. I’ve carried this for a long, long time.”</p>	<p>Transcript of the 7.2.21 interview.</p> <p>BW tells JW that after reading PL’s account of ET’s death, in (HARP) regarding Sgt. Fred Newton’s theory of ET’s death, it was “pretty close to spot on” with his memory of the actual events and that he’d related the same story to two former Marine buddies and four Newporters as early as 1973.</p>

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7.2.21	<p>BW gives JW the names of the Marines: Paul Gall & Tim Moore and the Newporters, Dan Sullivan (who gave him The Newport Daily News paper route) Jim Koziera, Jack Toner and BW's brother Tim so that JW can call them to corroborate his account. He tells her that over the years he's told the same story to "at least 50 different people" and since reading HARP 3-4 months earlier, he'd "probably told (another) 25 people."</p>	<p>On 7.3.21 after meeting PL during an event at The Brenton Hotel, BW tells him that toward the end of the interview (page 53) after JW shut off the recording she said, "We're not going to bury this in a box. This is a new investigation. We will investigate this in its entirety." BW then tells PL, "I gave her names and telephone numbers to call – I know for a fact... she started calling (them) immediately (to) corroborate that I've been telling this story for 50 years."</p>
7.2.21	<p>JW tells BW that while she has read PL's 7.16.20 Vanity Fair article of 8,000 words, she has not yet read the book.</p>	<p>Transcript of the 7.2.21 interview.</p>
7.3.21	<p>After meeting at The Brenton event BW tells PL the same story he told JW on 7.2.21. PL corroborates with the same six sources BW gave JW and they confirm that BW had told them the same story in detail starting in the early 1970's. (continuing at right)</p>	<p>PL arranges with Bob to go up to Rough Point the next day (7.4.21) and records a series of interviews with him so that BW can describe where he was when he heard the lead-up to ET's death and where he was just after, when he confronted DD in person.</p>
7.4.21	<p>In multiple interviews on video, which the editors at Vanity Fair later edit together into a 5:08 piece BW tells PL that on 10.7.66 at the age of 13 when he was on his 10 speed bike at the corner of Ledge Road and Bellevue Ave. South (BAS) about to deliver to Rough Point, he heard "a man and a woman screaming." (continuing at right)</p>	<p>BW says he then peddled quickly toward The Service Gate at Rough Point which is at the junction of BAS and Bellevue Ave. Then, when he reached the corner and delivered the paper in a mail slot, he immediately turned and saw DD get out of the car.</p>

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7.4.21	This is a transcript of BW's int. with PL	The video link is at pl@peterlance.com
	<p>BW: "That's when I heard two people obviously arguing and screaming at each other. The next thing I heard was the roar of a motor, the crash, the screaming of a man... ever so slight skidding sound and deceleration of the motor, a pause in the screaming, a man beginning to scream again, the roar of the motor again, the man's scream turning to horror of 'Noooo,' ... and then a secondary crash after the first crash." (continuing at right)</p>	<p>BW: And I cleared the corner. I was probably about right over there on my bike. (pointing) I wasn't going so fast though. I was just approaching her from behind because when she got out of the car... and took like six or seven steps across the street and just stood there like this, looking down.</p> <p>BW crosses Bellevue Ave. toward the crash site opposite the Main Gates and simulates DD's demeanor as he recalls her looking under the station wagon.</p>
7.4.21	<p>BW: Maybe about right here, I started turning the bike into the crash zone. To where the car was. And I'm coming this way (gesturing) And she's kind of like at a 45 degree angle to me now, but she still doesn't see me. And I come up behind her, on the side of her, and I'm hitting the brakes. And when I stopped pedaling the bike goes click, click, click. And she looks at me and I said, 'Can I help you, ma'am? And she said (yelling) 'You better get the hell out of here!' (continuing at right)</p>	<p>BW: I was taken back. So I started to go around the car, And she started ghosting me like this. (demonstrates) She was kind of blocking my view. And by the time I got to like the middle of the car... I'm looking at the car and I look over there and I say, "Do you want me to... go up the driveway and see if I can... 'You get out of here now!' she says. And I'm like, <i>okay</i>, you know, and I got up to, like the equivalent of the back of the car, almost ready to clear and leave. And I said "Do you want me to call the police?" And she said, 'Get outta here NOW!' And I went... At 13 years old, I didn't need to be told any more.</p>

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7.4.21	BW then tells PL why he hadn't come forward to the NPD at the time:	Video continuing.
7.4.21	<p>BW: When I turned 18, just before I went in the Marine Corps, I went back to my father and I said, 'Geez, Dad, What was it? What was this all about? Why did this happen? Why did you handle the situation the way you handled it?' And he told me, he said, "Bob, you know, I'm a member of the community. I know this woman, her reputation proceeded her. She had people on her payroll that were not -- that were very unscrupulous, and I immediately was more concerned about the life of my child than I was about the life of anybody else involved in the thing. I needed to protect you."</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(continuing at right)</p>	<p>BW: He quite literally said, "You know, Bob, at the particular time, when you told me that story, I immediately recognized that you could have shown motive. You could have shown intent. You could have shown the demeanor of her, of her attitude when she got out of the car. Everything you said could have completely changed everything. I was concerned that you, as a key witness, would be doing your paper route on the Ocean Drive and a truck's going to drive over the top of you from behind." He said, "The life of my child was more precious to me than the issues that occurred with a woman on Bellevue Avenue. And that's why I acted the way I acted." At this point in the video Bob discusses his call to Lt. Huck, without mentioning him by name:</p>

7.4.21	<p>BW: He said to me, "Are you trying to unburden your soul?" And, and I went back and made sure I clarified that the next day to say, "No, I'm not trying to unburden my soul. (emphasis added) I don't feel any burden on my soul." I was a 13 year old kid. I was following the orders of my parents, my father in particular. And it's just the way it was. And you didn't cross my Dad. And that was the end of it. By the time maybe I could have done something about it when I was 18 years old, my moment and time had gone.</p>	<p>PL NOTE: As noted, during his 7.2.21 interview with JW (on page 2 of the transcript) BW repeats the same comment he'd made to CH by phone the day before:</p> <p>BW: Why I'm here? ... You know I'd almost like to touch on that. Your Lt. Huck said to me... He didn't ask me a lot of questions. He just said, "Do you want to unburden your soul?" No. (laughs) That's not what it is at all... I don't feel a burden. It's personal to me. I've carried this for a long, long time."</p>
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7.30.21	In preparation for what became a 4,500 word piece published by VanityFair.com on 8.5.21, PL emails JW with a series of questions to confirm what BW told him about JW's interview with him on 7.2.21	PL email to JW 7.30.21 2:29 PM PT.
8.2.21	JW emails PL with a 1 ½ page letter on her NPD stationary in which she makes the following statements:	JW to PL 8.2.21 9:39 AM PT. A pdf of her email/letter can be downloaded here.
	<p>JW: "In response to what Mr. Robert Walker told you, I can confirm that what he told you of his accounts of the incident on Oct. 7, 1966 are the same accounts of what he told me...</p> <p>"I am the only Detective assigned to the Doris Duke case. (emphasis added). I did read your Vanity Fair article prior to Mr. Walker coming in to familiarize myself with the history of this case. Also, to continue educating myself with the history, I've started reading your book. (emphasis added)</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(continuing at right)</p>	<p>JW: "...I have spoken to most of these parties, who have confirmed what Mr. Walker told me, therefore finding Mr. Walker's account of the incident on Oct. 7, 1966 credible. (emphasis added).</p> <p>"...I did tell Mr. Walker something to the effect that I am now assigned to follow up with this case and it's not going to be ignored. This case is now open for further review due to new facts coming forward. It is too early to make the determination to alter the conclusion that Eduardo Tirella's death was the result of 'an unfortunate accident.'</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(continuing at lower left)</p>
	<p>JW: "Regarding this, Myself and the Newport Police Department would like to look further into this (due to the new information we've been given) and rectify any possible misinformation concluded in the past, if any. After an extensive search throughout the building, unfortunately the Newport Police Department does not have any records from this case. (emphasis added) (continuing at right)</p>	<p>JW: "If you would be willing to help in this matter, to help bring justice for Eduardo's family, to see if we can prove any possible misleading information from the past, the Newport Police Department and I would love to bring justice for Eduardo and his family. I've been with the Newport Police Department for over twenty two years and a Detective for nine of those years."</p>

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8.2.21	In an reply email to JW PL writes re: BW: PL: "As he told me in an video interview.. his memory of hearing the lead-up to and culmination of the two crashes, meshed precisely with what I had reported in HOMICIDE AT ROUGH POINT . That is when he made the decision to come forward to you and to me —	PL email to JW 8.2.21 10:11 AM PT. Behind the book's title, PL gives JW a link to a 438 page pdf of a REVIEW COPY of HOMICIDE AT ROUGH POINT and then makes this offer to help her: PL: "With respect to your investigation I will continue to monitor it.... if you have any questions, please feel free to contact me." (emphasis added).
8.5.21	VanityFair.com publishes PL's 4,500 word piece entitled, "The Doris Duke Cold Case Reopens: The Only Known Eyewitness Speaks for the First Time." ¹	As noted, the piece is accompanied by that 5:08 video compilation of PL's 7.4.21 interviews with BW.
8.5.21	The Associated Press runs a story on PL's VF' piece and the reopening of the case headlined, "1966 death of heiress' employee under renewed scrutiny."	It's picked up by more than 5,000 online, print and broadcast media outlets worldwide and results in follow-up stories in The Daily Beast , The Advocate and Town And Country .
8.9.21	The story is also covered by Sean Flynn in The Newport Daily News and is printed on page one of The Providence Journal . Although Flynn leads with "Ex-paperboy's story has police reviewing 1966 crash," at the very end of the piece he quotes Lt. Corey Huck who undercuts JW's assertion published in VF.com and The A.P. that the "Duke case" has been reopened.	Sean Flynn's Pro Jo piece ends this way: "Huck added the case officially is assigned for 'follow-up' and "had not been reopened at this time." (emphasid added).

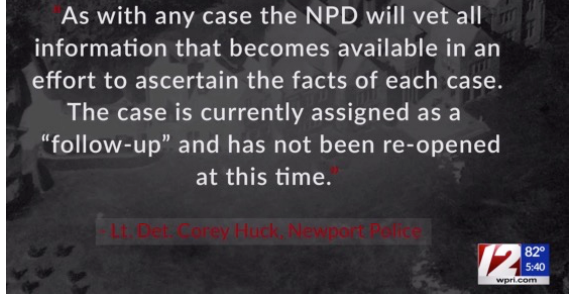
¹ PL NOTE: the VF story recounts BW's memory of seeing DD outside the vehicle behaving deliberately and unwounded vs. the state that Edward Angel (EA) the first officer on the scene found her in: inside the wagon, apparently in shock and with minor facial wounds. In the piece I quote EA regarding what, on the surface, appears to be a conflict between his account and BW's. But later he tells me: "If the former paperboy's account is credible it could very well mean that [Doris Duke] was covering up her actions and was pretty deliberate about it. She had a history of losing her temper over the years. So she would have been capable of that kind of act; first in killing him and then immediately thereafter in the cover-up. If [the paperboy's] testimony is to be believed, this changes everything... It certainly throws a whole new light on the case." I end the VF piece with the analysis of veteran retired NYPD Brooklyn South Homicide Det. James Moss who calls Doris Duke's behavior immediately following Eduardo's violent death as consistent with that of a "pure psychopath."

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8.10.21	<p>PL sends JW a detailed email responding to her request for help in her 8.2.21 email.</p> <p>In the email PL lays out a detailed, point-by-point guide for JW to easily understand how his findings prove that DD murdered ED with intent.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(continuing at right)</p>	<p>Each of the six (6) points PL cites are supported by Sgt. Fred Newton’s theory of the crash, as told to PL By Edward Angel, the first officer on the scene who PL quotes in both VF stories and in his book. It was only after BW read that account in HARP that he decided to come forward to the NPD because the book synced precisely with his memory of the events.</p>
8.10.21	<p>In that email to JW PL cites four (4) affirmative acts committed by DD prior to crashing the Dodge wagon through the gates of RP with ET on the hood as detailed in Chapters One, Two, Thirty-Two and Thirty Three of HARP, the links to which PL includes in the 8.10.21 email.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(continuing at right)</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. She slid behind the wheel. 2. She released the parking brake by hand. 3. She shifted from Park to Drive 4. She slammed down on the accelerator leaving tire-wide gouge marks in the gravel.
	<p>Continuing the text of PL’s email to JW:</p> <p>“By Sgt. Newton’s account, as related to me by retired Patrolman Angel, Miss Duke then roared toward Eduardo who jumped up on the hood of the wagon to save himself, sustaining a broken right hip but alive as the billionaire burst through the wrought iron gates, knocking out five of the baluster rungs in the lower portions of the gates and bending them over a metal “stop” at the foot of the driveway before bursting out onto Bellevue Avenue.”</p>	<p>PL then informs JW of two (2) more affirmative acts committed by DD:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. She then tapped the brakes, causing ET to roll off the hood onto Bellevue Ave. 6. Then, after a few moments, Miss Duke decided to commit and roared forward, dragging him across Millionaire’s Row whereupon the wagon mounted the curb, knocked down 20 feet of post and rail fence on Quatrel, the estate across the street, before veering left and crashing into a tree with Mr. Tirella dead under the rear axle.

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8.10.21	<p>In that same detailed email, PL discusses in detail the cover-up of the truth on 10.11.66 ordered by the then Police Chief, Joseph A. Radice (JAR) who conspired with DD's lawyer Aram Arabian (AA) to create a fabricated 3-page transcript of a so called "interrogation" with Miss Duke that never took place, as detailed in Chapters Six and Seven & Ten of HARP.</p> <p>PL then adds: "...based on the statement made by Lt. Corey A. Huck, to Sean Flynn, veteran reporter for The Newport Daily News, whose Friday printed piece appeared on page 1 of yesterday's Providence Journal your superiors at the Newport PD seem to be undermining you. " (emphasis added)</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(continuing at right)</p>	<p>PL NOTE: At this point, more than five (5) weeks after interviewing BW on 7.2.21, JW has still not finished HARP, which makes the case for the intent-to-kill murder of Eduardo by Doris Duke.</p> <p>Still, this 8.10.21 email to Det. Wuest provides her with all of the evidence she needs to change the corrupt "unfortunate accident" conclusion of Chief Radice to a finding that:</p> <p>The death of ET was proximately caused by a series of intentional acts committed by Doris Duke.</p> <p>For the next six (6) days JW makes no contact with PL seeking his help or any clarification of the evidence he's provided.</p>

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8.16.21	As such, on this date, six (6) weeks after her interview with BW on 7.2.21, PL files an APRA request for the audio recording of that interview.	APRA Request filing and PL email to JW copying Joseph Nicholson Jr. (JN) Newport's City Manager, Chief Gary Silva (GS) Lt. Huck (CH), Sgt. Greg Belcher (GB) and Kevin Morriera (KM) who had handled an earlier APRA request from PL as he researched HARP
8.19.21	Three (3) days later JW sends this reply to PL via email in which she writes: JW: "I apologize for not responding to your e-mail sooner, I was not here most of last week and when I was, I was tied up with unforeseen issues. I did want to get back to you to thank you for your support and to assure you that I am not subject to recrimination within my department and there is no reason to fear a "cover up" is going on. (emphasis added) I did not see the Providence Journal, but I can also assure you that my superiors certainly do not undermine me. " (emphasis added)	JW email/letter to PL 8.19.21
8.19.21	At that point in the letter, after assuring PL that her superiors were not undermining her, JW writes: <i>"I don't want you to think I'm being rude, but I am unable to call you personally, as all media questions are to be forwarded through my chain of command to Lt. Det. Corey Huck." She then notes that she is "still in the process of reading HARP "along with all of my other tasks."</i>	JW email/letter to PL 8.19.21
8.19.21	PL replies to JW the same day: linking to Lt. Huck's comment to Sean Flynn in the ProJo of 8.9.21 that "the Duke case" "had not been reopened at this time."	PL email to JW 8.19.21.

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8.19.21	<p>PL notes that Lt. Huck’s assertion “is a direct contradiction of what you told me in your initial letter to me of August 2nd which was cited in my 4,500 word piece on VanityFair.com and quoted worldwide in The Associated Press story that appeared in 1000’s of print and broadcast entities including The Boston Globe</p> <p>“In that A.P. story you were quoted this way: ‘The Newport Police Department would like to look further into this (due to the new information we’ve been given), and rectify any possible misinformation concluded in the past, if any, for Eduardo and his family,’ Detective Jacque Wuest, who has been assigned to reopen the case, said in an email Thursday.”</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(continuing at right)</p>	<p>PL then refers JW to the various links he included in his 8.10.21 email to help JW evaluate the evidence more efficiently:</p> <p>“Given your time constraints, I refer you to the email (below) that I sent you August 10th, in which I make it clear that "I report (ed) irrefutable evidence of intent-to-kill homicide by Miss Duke in Chapters, One, Two, Thirty-Two and Thirty Three, of my book.</p>

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8.19.21	<p>PL: "If you don't have time to read the entire book, but drill down on those chapters along with my original Vanity Fair piece, as well as my most recent piece quoting Edward Angel, and you watch THIS VIDEO of my interviews with Bob, YOU'LL HAVE ALL THE EVIDENCE YOU NEED to change the false conclusion of the Newport PD in 1966 that Eduardo Tirella's death was the result of "an unfortunate accident" to an official conclusion that <u>his death was the result of a series of intentional acts committed by Doris Duke.</u></p>	<p>PL email to JW 8.19.21.</p> <p>PL NOTE: Despite JW's assertions to the contrary, if there was any doubt about Lt. Huck's attempts to obstruct her investigation into "the Duke case" (which she insisted has been reopened on 8.2.21) THE VERY NEXT DAY, WPRI's Kim Kalunian (KK) files a TV news report after interviewing Bob Walker and talking to Lt. Huck.</p> <p>(continuing at lower left)</p>
8.20.21	<p>When KK contacts the NPD for a comment on the status of the investigation Lt. Huck tells her the following:</p> <p>"As with any case, the NPD will vet all information that becomes available in an effort to ascertain the facts of each case. The case is currently assigned as a 'follow-up' and has not been re-opened at this time. Lt. Corey Newport Police"</p>	<p>That's the same statement Lt. Huck made to Sean Flynn for The Newport Daily News and Providence Journal in Sean's piece published on 8.9.21.</p>
	<p>KK features the comment in a full screen graphic in her story which ran 3:46</p>	
		<p>PL NOTE: While I took JW's word in her 8.19.21 emails that her "superiors do not undermine" her, <u>it's now clear that Lt. Huck has and he continues to do it publicly. Further, by ordering JW not to talk to me after she requested my help Lt. Huck is obstructing her investigation into the cause of ET's death.</u></p>

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8.20.21	Sgt. Greg Belcher responds to PL's APRA request and furnishes him with a recording of BW's interview with JW on 7.3.21.	The expedited compliance by the NPD came after PL copied City Manager Joe Nicholson (JN) on his 8.16.21 request.
	PL spends the next week doing a 58 page transcript of the 1:49:48 interview.	
8.26.21	<p>PL emails JW on the progress of the transcription. Citing Lt. Huck's directive to her that "all media questions are to be forwarded through my chain of command to Lt. Det. Corey Huck," PL suggests to JW that he's "more of a SOURCE than a media contact."</p> <p>"I simply want to offer my knowledge about the case and Sgt. Fred Newton's conclusion (which motivated Bob to come forward) and clear up any questions you might have about either of my two Vanity Fair pieces on 7.16.20 and 8.5.21 and my book (a pdf review copy linked here)</p>	<p>PL email to JW 8.26.21</p> <p>Since, JW has still not read his book at this point, PL offers to send her a Kindle edition which will allow her to more easily access his 915 end note annotations which encompass sixty (60) pages.</p> <p>PL closes the email, once again, by asking JW to reach out by phone, noting that he's available 7 days a week from 12:30 ET to very late PT</p>
8.31.21	<p>PL emails JW (copying City Mgr. Nicholson) a pdf of the 59 page BW transcript, reiterating that:</p> <p>"As noted in my August 26th, 2021 email to you, I remain ready and willing to help you in any way I can with the investigation you opened on July 2nd, 2021 into Doris Duke's killing of Eduardo Tirella in 1966 — a investigation you opened after you interviewed Robert E. "Bob" Walker Jr. for some two hours on July 2nd 2021 in The Newport PD's CID Interview Room No. 1.</p>	<p>The transcript reveals that at the time of JW's interview with BW <u>she seemed confused</u> as to the movements he described as he overheard the events leading up to ET's death on 10.7.66.</p> <p>So PL sends JW a link to VF's compilation of the interviews he shot with BW outside Rough Point on 7.4.21, which makes the events crystal clear.</p> <p><u>Again, PL urges JW to contact him: by text or email "in order to set a time for an interview wherein I can answer any unanswered questions you may have."</u></p>

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9.1.21	<p>JW emails PL the following:</p> <p>Hi Peter, Thank you for your prior e-mails and advising you would keep our discussions confidential and would remain ready and willing to help in any way you could with this investigation. I was wondering if you would be willing to send me copies of the complete police report and autopsy report that you have? (highlight added). I know there is a lot in the book already, but due to some things being very small, I would appreciate having the actual report as this would be very helpful. Thank you for the copy of the transcript with Bob and the Death Certificate.</p>	<p>JW Email to PL 9.1.21</p> <p>PL NOTE: as will become clear in the events detailed in the rest of this TIMELINE, that request from JW for PL to send her “the complete police report,” which she first requested in her initial 8.2.21 email is the first discernable evidence of “bad faith” on JW’s part. In that 8.2.21 email she asserted: “After an extensive search throughout the building, unfortunately the Newport Police Department does not have any records from this case.” Now’s she’s asking PL for it again, when, as we’ll see in the footnote below, she had the full report on 9.1.21²</p>
9.1.21	<p>PL emails JW the following:</p> <p>“Det. Wuest, I am willing to talk with you to answer any of your questions by phone, per my earlier offers, but as a journalist I cannot send copies of my work product to third parties. I hope you understand. Further, if you read my book you know that <u>I suspect that the official police report still resides within the confines of the Newport PD.</u></p> <p>However, re: the autopsy report and portions of the police report cited in my book, this is a link to a BONUS PDF that people who order the Audible edition of the book receive. Once you open it you can easily blow up the images you referenced below which might appear too small in your printed edition of the book. As to the book, since Bob Walker came to you on July 2nd, it’s been nearly two months since you’ve opened the investigation, so I’m hoping by now you have finished HOMICIDE AT ROUGH POINT or read chapters: One, Two, Thirty-Two Thirty Three —</p>	<p>As Bob told me during my interview with him on 7.4.21, it was his reading of those sections in my book which dovetailed with his own memory from that fatal night, that caused him to come forward and contact The Newport PD on 7.1.21 with his call to Lt. Huck. This is how I quote him from VF.com:</p> <p>BW: “When I sat down to read your book, I was drawn back in time. I thought about it all night. I thought about it the next day and then for the next five days. I thought about the consequences [of coming forth]. I thought about all the ups and downs, the right and wrong, the ins and outs, and I was like, ‘I need to tell this story. The truth needs to come out. The community that I live in needs to know. The world needs to know. This was the sensational murder of a wonderful person who was wrongly taken from the earth. It needs to be righted. It needs to be told.’”</p>

² PL NOTE: According to Donna Lohmeyer, **one hour and five minutes BEFORE JW sent that second request to PL for “the complete police report,” JW got a copy from DL; suggesting that JW’s request to PL was an attempt to try and find inconsistencies between the report he obtained and the one JW received from DL. But the transcript of JW’s interview with Officer Edward Angel on 9.17.21 (link attached below) strongly suggests that the Newport PD ALREADY HAD the full and complete report. How do we know? Because during her interview with EA JW refers to “a drawing” that he did of the Point of Impact showing where he found ET’s skin and blood “in the middle of Bellevue Ave.” That “drawing” was not included in the official police report obtained by PL or DL so if JW had it, the report had to exist within the walls of The Newport PD at a time JW said it was missing.**

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9.2.21	<p>PL emails JW:</p> <p>“Det. Wuest, Today TOWN & COUNTRY ran this piece citing HOMICIDE AT ROUGH POINT, Bob Walker <u>and your reopening of the Duke case</u>. As you can see, the story and your probe are getting increasing worldwide attention focusing on Newport.</p> <p>“Please get back to me so that we can set up a time for us to speak by phone; at which point I can answer any remaining questions you may have and you can complete your investigation.”</p>	<p>PL email to JW 9.2.21</p> <p>PL NOTE: That T&C piece, which cites Det. Wuest’s reopening of the case, is further indication of the global interest in the NPD’s new investigation.</p>
9.14.21	<p>Getting no reply from Det. Wuest for nearly two weeks, PL sends her a pdf compilation of their email traffic since PL first contacted her on 7.30.21 copying City Manager Joseph Nicholson Jr. and noting that:</p> <p>“It’s been nearly two and a half months since Robert E. ‘Bob’ Walker Jr. called the Newport PD with his first hand account of hearing the lead-up to and the ultimate crash that took the life of Eduardo Tirella.”</p> <p>In reiterating Lt. Huck’s two public media comments asserting that “the Duke case” had not been reopened and his instruction to JW that she should not contact him,</p> <p>PL asserts that: "a compelling case can be made that (Lt. Huck) should recuse himself from any involvement in your investigation."</p> <p>“At this point — absent interference from Lt. Huck or Chief Silva to impede your investigation — I fail to understand why it has taken you so long to fulfill the pledge you made in your August 2nd email to me to ‘bring justice to Eduardo and his family.’” (continuing at right)</p>	<p>PL continues: “You have had ample time to read my book, my two VF’s pieces, the transcript of your interview with Bob and watch VF’s compilation of his recorded interviews with me on July 4th.</p> <p>“Not only is there massive interest in your investigation in Newport, RI, but as a veteran reporter I can assure you that the international media want to know whether Doris Duke, an iconic world figure, committed murder and got away with it.</p> <p>“As I’ve documented in a book with 60 pages of annotations, it was a murderous quid pro quo in which the billionaireess avoided criminal charges by giving tens of thousands of dollars to Newport, restoring 70+ colonial era homes and helping Newport stave off bankruptcy.</p> <p>“As Sam Dangremond, author of the Town And Country piece, points out: “Doris Duke’s actions after the famous automobile accident in which she was involved are another reason Newport gained national prominence, especially for its architecture.”</p> <p>“Absent any interference from above, I must ask: what is your delay in setting the record straight and bringing justice for Eduardo Tirella?”</p>

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9.15.21	Frustrated himself with JW's lack of progress in the investigation, Bob Walker sends her this email which results in her making an unannounced visit to his home:	BW email to JW 9.15.21
	<p>"Hello Det. Wuest, Bob Walker here. It has been a while since we spoke on July 2nd at the NPD regarding Doris Duke. Since then, much has transpired in my life. I am sure you can imagine many people have contacted me from my childhood to the present day, 99% good and some of a questionable nature.</p> <p>"Over this time I have come to hope that my coming forward is not all for nothing. (emphasis added) Peter Lance, whom I've had much contact with over the last couple of months, copied me on the email he sent you Tuesday evening. By now, hopefully you have had a chance to review.</p> <p>"I couldn't agree more with Peter's sentiments. It seems to me that you have everything you need to change the false conclusion by Chief Radice back in 1966 that Eduardo Tirella's death was the result of "an unfortunate accident," to a finding that his death was a murder committed by Doris Duke.</p> <p>"Considering the testimony I gave to you I believe the same rage and fury she suddenly turned on me was the same mentality she had just demonstrated in the murder of Eduardo Tirella. The way she behaved when I saw her standing outside the wagon within seconds of the second (and fatal crash) was that of a cold blooded killer — not someone who was in shock over the "accidental" death of her longtime friend and advisor.</p> <p>"I suspect my sudden arrival and her aggressive dismissal of me brought out of the rage and blood lust she had when she committed to kill Eduardo and she began to realize other (witnesses) would soon follow.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(continuing at right)</p>	<p>"The fact that when she loomed over me she had NO INJURIES on her face, and that she got back into the Dodge Polara, and wounded herself with the facial cuts and scratches officer Eddie Angel found when he arrived on the scene, show that she went into cover-up mode immediately.</p> <p>"As I told you and as was reflected in Peter's video interviews with me that accompanied his Vanity Fair piece, I was ordered to keep quiet at the time because my father was literally afraid for my life; that I would never make it to the witness stand alive and that one night I'd be doing my route around The Drive and I'd be a victim of a convenient hit and run.</p> <p>"As I told Peter in my interviews with him, it was only after I read his book and saw how what he discovered about Sgt. Fred Newton's uncovering of the truth was identical to my memory, that I felt compelled to come forward and talk with you. Last week I attended my 50th High School Reunion — there were about 150 people and without exception, everyone congratulated me for coming forward — but their biggest question was, 'Are the cops finally going to tell the truth?'</p> <p>"I assured them that I believed you were conducting a thorough investigation and with the preponderance of evidence history will be corrected to reflect that sadly, the richest woman in America did get away with murder.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(continuing below at left)</p>

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9/15/21	<p>BW continuing:</p> <p>“It is my hope and belief that her money and power will not prevail 55 years later and what was wrong will be made right. Eduardo's soul was not tragically lost, it was brutally taken. May the truth set him free.</p> <p>“I'm not sure of what else I can do, but if you have any other questions for me or there is anything else you need or don't understand, please call me — But I think with what Peter has sent you and what I told you, I think you have everything you need to comfortably conclude that Doris Duke committed murder outside Rough Point on 10.7.66. Thanks Jackie, Bob Walker 401-300-6766”</p>	<p>PL NOTE: Later that night, Bob called to tell me that within an hour of sending that email Jacque Wuest made a surprise visit to his home on Ellery Road, knocked on his door and asked to talk to him.</p> <p>When this story is ultimately told, the propriety of that sudden visit can be examined, but, one thing is clear:</p> <p>What JW said in that private face-to-face meeting (according to Bob) suggested that at that point, 10 weeks into her probe, she was backpeddling.</p> <p>(continuing below left)</p>
9.15.21	<p>PL NOTE: Why? Because one of the questions Bob said that JW asked him was “How do we know that you just didn't read Peter Lance's book, make up a story and decide to come forward?”</p> <p>Keep in mind that in her 8.2.21 email to me. JW found “Mr. Walker's account of the incident on Oct. 7, 1966 credible.”</p> <p>Why would he make up a story given the possible consequences: If he caused the NPD to reopen the case based on false assertions it would open him up to ridicule in the Newport community and possible criminal charges of obstruction of justice.</p> <p>Bob also told me that during that meeting JW said, “Peter Lance has told you something that is wrong;” further proof that she was now acting in bad faith, and attempting to undermine my credibility while emailing me with continuing requests that I assist her investigation.</p>	<p>At that meeting JW also told Bob that she had been promoted to Sergeant, and that she'd be moving to the Traffic Division, but taking her “cold case load” with her begging the question:</p> <p>If it had taken JW this long to wrap up a case that could have been resolved in a matter of weeks, how could she make any headway on it once she was doing double duty?</p> <p>At some point during that meeting BW suggested that if JW had any further doubts, she should interview Officer Edward Angel (EA) the first patrolman on the scene, who found DD inside the Dodge Polara, apparently wounded, in contrast to the cold blooded woman BW saw get of the wagon unwounded then chase him away from the scene.</p> <p>(continuing below left)</p>

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9.15.21	<p>PL NOTE: Bob told me that he'd reminded Det. Wuest that I'd quoted EA in my 8.5.21 VF piece, saying: "If the former paperboy's account is credible it could very well mean that [Doris Duke] was covering up her actions and was pretty deliberate about it. She had a history of losing her temper over the years. So she would have been capable of that kind of act; first in killing him and then immediately thereafter in the cover-up. If [the] testimony is to be believed, this changes everything...It certainly throws a whole new light on the case."</p>	<p>Phone conversation between BW & PL right after JW's unannounced visit.</p>
9.17.21	<p>PL NOTE: Two days later, JW interviewed Edward Angel at The Newport PD.</p> <p>On 9.24.21 PL filed an APRA request for the audio of that interview, which PL later transcribed.</p> <p>As we'll see that transcript demonstrates that more than two and a half months after reopening "The Duke Case," Det. Jacque Wuest was moving into cover-up mode, making statements to former Officer Angel that suggested she had given up on her 8.2.21 pledge to "bring justice for Eduardo and his family."</p> <p>Additional proof of her bad faith was her use of "the official police report" on Eduardo's death to refresh Edward Angel's recollection during his 9.17.21 interview. (continuing at right)</p>	<p>PL NOTE: The transcript shows that after multiple NPD officials, including retired Lt. José Costa and Chief Gary Silva (in 2019) denied that the NPD had possession of the official Duke/Tirella police report and -- as recently as her email to PL of 8.2.21 -- JW asserted that "the Newport PD does not have any records from this case," that The NPD had it all along.</p> <p>What's the evidence for that? As noted, JW's uses of "a drawing" of The Point of Impact that EA had made following Eduardo's death. That drawing which JW showed to EA during his interview was affixed to the original police report and not contained in the copies of the report obtained by PL or Donna Lohmeyer. Only the Newport PD could have had possession of that drawing.</p> <p>As the days passed I encountered additional evidence to suggest that the current Newport PD was beginning to behave like the Department under Chief Radice in 1966 which covered up the true facts behind Eduardo's death. On 9.20.21 I sent the email below to JW with the subject: "Going Dark on the Duke case."</p>

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9.20.21	<p>PL email to JW 9.20.21 11:12 AM PDT</p> <p>“During an unannounced visit to his house Wednesday, you asked Bob whether he had come up with his story about how he heard the lead-up to Eduardo’s killing, then confronted Doris Duke <u>only AFTER he'd read my book</u>, even though, weeks earlier, you’d corroborated his account with multiple sources (including two retired Marines) to whom he’d told that story as early as 1973.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(continuing at right)</p>	<p>PL email to JW 9.20.21</p> <p>“At that point, your line of questioning clearly suggested that Bob (one of the most credible sources I’ve ever interviewed) was a liar.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(continuing below left)</p>
	<p>“Further, your admission to him that you still hadn’t read my book after all these months, suggests either bad faith on your part or that you have been obstructed in your work by your superior, Lt. Corey Huck, who has <u>twice denied to the media that the case was reopened</u> and ordered you not to talk with me.</p> <p>“I shouldn’t have to remind you that Oct. 7th will be the 55th anniversary of Eduardo’s violent death at the hands of Doris Duke.</p> <p>“You’ve now been promoted to Sergeant and you told Bob that in your new role in The Traffic Division you are taking your cold case load with you.</p> <p>“Wednesday will represent three (3) months since you questioned Bob in CID Interview No. 1, for two hours — the record of which I spent a week transcribing and sent to you.</p> <p>“Following the coverage of Bob’s revelations in my piece in VF.com and by The Associated Press August 5th, the world media has become fascinated by the prospect that The Newport PD will now jettison the corrupt “unfortunate accident” conclusion of Police Chief Joseph Radice in 1966 and reach a truthful assessment of the case based on this mountain of new evidence.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(continued at right)</p>	<p>“So it’s now fair to ask Det. Wuest: if it’s taken you 3 months to make as little progress as you have, how will you be able (in your own words) “to bring justice for Eduardo and his family” when you are taking on new responsibilities, and, according to what Bob said you told him, going off on three weeks vacation?</p> <p>“I ask you to be a professional and show me the courtesy of a response.</p>

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9.22.21	JW replies to PL at 7:38 AM EDT with the SUBJECT: Response	JW to PL email 9.22.21 4:48 PM PDT
	<p>“Mr. Lance, I’m writing to update you on your e-mail from September 14, 2021. Yes, I talked to Mr. Walker after receiving his e-mail since he was a reporting party for this case. Out of respect to him, as a reporting party, I wanted to clear some things so that I could make sure he understood what was going on, on my end.</p> <p>“I advised him that I would be responding to your e-mail and I would be passing on the same information to you. Mr. Walker told me he was going to advise you I stopped by, but I still wanted to get back to you so you heard it from me. (continuing at right)</p>	<p>“Again, I will state that no one is impeding my investigation. It is my case and no one else is involved, get involved, or tells me how and / or what to do. My immediate supervisors are there to assist if I have any questions and / or concerns and give helpful advice if it is needed. Respectfully, Det. Jacque Wuest”</p>
9.22.21	<p>PL Reply to JW 9/22/21 11:50 AM PDT with the SUBJECT: Bringing justice to Eduardo and his family.</p> <p>“Det. Wuest, I appreciate you getting back to me with your assurance that “no one is impeding (your) investigation;” a point you reiterated to me in your email of August 19th. But after what is now more than three (3) months since you reopened “the Duke case,” you haven’t given me a hint as to what, if any, progress you’ve made and you’ve left several issues which I raised in my multiple emails to you unanswered. “ (Highlight added). (continuing at right)</p>	<p>“1) In your initial email to me of August 2nd, 2021 you asked for my help in your investigation, but despite my multiple offers to speak to you by phone, you have never scheduled a time when I could answer any of your questions by phone. Why not?</p> <p>“2) Is it because your Lieutenant, Corey A. Huck, has forbidden you from speaking to me; an order, which is evidence (despite your denials) that you are being impeded in your search for the truth? (continued below left)</p>

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9.22.21	<p>“3) Why, as of Sept. 15th when you went to Bob’s house and told him that you had not yet finished my book, has it taken you this long to examine my findings, which, taken together with Bob’s confession, give you everything you need to “bring justice for Eduardo.” You didn’t even have to read the entire 438 page book, which most people get through in a few nights. I’ve cited the key chapters in multiple emails to you from August 10th to Sept. 16th. See below.</p> <p>“4) Why, during your meeting with Bob on 9.15 did you seem to back track and ask him whether he had read my book and <u>then</u> come forward to you?</p> <p>“On 8.2.21 you found him “credible” but months later you seemed suggest that he was lying to you about why he came forth? Why did you raise that question at this late date? (continuing at right)</p>	<p>“5) I note that your email to me this morning is signed Det. Jacque Wuest, though you have been promoted to Sergeant. You told Bob during the meeting at his house that you would hold onto your “cold case” load while taking on new responsibilities in The Traffic Division. So I’ll ask again: If it’s taken you 3 months to make as little progress as you have, how will you be able (in your own words) “to bring justice for Eduardo” when you are taking on new responsibilities and going off on three weeks vacation?</p> <p>“6) Why did you tell Bob at that meeting that you would have to get “The State Police” involved in the case and that you couldn’t close your investigation of Eduardo’s homicide without the criminal courtroom standard of “proof beyond a reasonable doubt?” That threshold doesn’t matter in this instance since Doris Duke, the “person of interest” died in 1993 and can’t be indicted. So there can be no trial. (continuing below left)</p>
	<p>“Your investigation, which Lt. Huck, not once, but <u>twice told the local media had not been “reopened,”</u> does not require a legal finding of “murder.” You can reach a finding of fact, based on the evidence you’ve had since August 10th: that <u>the death of Eduardo Tirella on October 7th, 1966, outside the gates of Rough Point was proximately caused by a series of intentional acts committed by Doris Duke.</u></p>	<p>“Absent any phone conversation with me (which I’m happy to schedule forthwith) you have all the evidence you need. But, because the pdf of my August 10th email doesn’t have viable hyperlinks, I’m attaching this point-by- point road map, highlighted in red, so that you can to reach a finding in the next 24 hours — not in three weeks or another 3 months but now:</p>
		<p>PL NOTE: below left and continuing across consecutive double columns, I reiterated all of the evidence which JW has had available to her since my email of August 10th, 2021</p>

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9.22.21	<p>THE EVIDENCE OF INTENT-TO-KILL MURDER</p> <p>“In HOMICIDE AT ROUGH POINT, the book, backed up by sixty (60) pages of end note annotations, I report irrefutable evidence of intent-to-kill homicide by Miss Duke in Chapters, One, Two, Thirty-Two and Thirty Three, the latter two chapters entitled, THE CASE FOR MURDER and IT MOVED LIKE A ROCKET.</p> <p>“In granular detail, accompanied by crime scene photos, taken by Ed Quigley moments after Mr. Tirella’s death, a photo of the damaged gates taken by Jerry Taylor the day after and other forensic documents including Eduardo’s long-missing autopsy report and death certificate, you can see that all of that evidence supports the “up on the hood” theory of the homicide, determined within hours of the incident by Sgt. Fred Newton, the Newport PD’s chief accident investigator, as documented in interviews to me by former patrolman Edward Angel, the first officer on the scene.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(continuing at right)</p>	<p>PL email to JW 9.22.21</p> <p>“Sgt. Newton, who later became Newport Police Chief, was not then in a position to challenge the sitting Chief, Joseph A. Radice, who corruptly reached that “unfortunate accident” conclusion and closed the case within 96 hours of Mr. Tirella’s death -- with Doris Duke as the only apparent witness to the homicide —</p> <p>That’s how the official cause of death stood until Bob came forward to the NPD with a call to Lt. Huck on July 1st, 2021.</p> <p>“As documented in my book, Sgt. Newton concluded that as Eduardo stood at the gates to open them...</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(continuing below left)</p>
	<p>DORIS DUKE COMMITTED A SERIES OF INTENTIONAL ACTS:</p> <p>“1) She slid behind the wheel; something her caretaker Harold McFarlane told RI Registry of MV investigators <u>she never did when leaving the estate</u>;</p> <p>“2) She released the parking brake on the two-ton 1966 Dodge Polara wagon by hand;</p> <p>“3) She shifted from Park to Drive and;</p> <p>“4) She slammed down on the accelerator, leaving tire wide gouges in the gravel driveway photographed by Eduardo’s brother-in law Robert Aughey the next day — photos of which were entered into evidence at the 1971 wrongful death civil trial in Providence <u>in which Miss Duke was found liable for Eduardo’s death</u>.</p> <p>I have a copy of his testimony at that trial and quote from it in the book.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(continuing at right)</p>	<p>“By Sgt. Newton’s account, as related to me by Officer Angel, Miss Duke then roared toward Eduardo who jumped up on the hood of the wagon to save himself, sustaining a broken right hip but alive, as the billionaire burst through the wrought iron gates, knocking out five of the baluster rungs in the lower portions of the gates and bending them over a metal “stop” at the foot of the drive-way before roaring out onto Bellevue.</p> <p>At this point she committed two (2) more intentional acts:</p> <p>“5) She tapped the brakes, at which point, injured but alive, Eduardo rolled off.</p> <p>“6) Then, after a few moments, Miss Duke decided to commit and roared forward, dragging him across Millionaire’s Row whereupon the wagon mounted the curb, knocked down 20 feet of post and rail fence on Quatrel, the estate across the street, before veering left and crashing into a tree with Mr. Tirella dead under the rear axle.</p>

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9.22.21	<p>“Therefore his death, as determined by Sgt. Newton, was the result of six (6) intentional acts.</p> <p>“Yet in a statements to <u>The Newport Daily News</u>, the day after on <u>October 8th, 1966</u>, the chief wrongly claimed in paragraphs (2) and (8) that Miss Duke had “crushed” the decedent against the gates — a conclusion controverted by <u>the photo of the scene taken by Ed Quigley after Eduardo’s body had been removed</u>. Not only does it show Sgt. Newton working the gates, but there is zero debris or blood trail at the point where the gates went over the metal “stop” riveted into the driveway to keep the gates from opening outward.</p> <p>“Only later when he began to fill out his report, did patrolman Angel tell me he found “blood and skin” a number of feet into Bellevue Avenue, consistent with Sgt. Newton’s “up on the hood” conclusion.</p> <p>“Further, Officer Angel made A DRAWING of what he believed to be the POINT OF IMPACT (POI) in “the middle of Bellevue Avenue” where he found skin & blood, later called “scuff marks” in Sgt. Newton’s official report. (continuing at right)</p>	<p>THE PHOTOGRAPHIC EVIDENCE AND THE AUTOPSY REPORT</p> <p>While <u>this photo of the gates the next day taken by Newport photographer Jerry Taylor</u> shows that all of the damage was to the lower portion of the gates, <u>this Autopsy Report by the RI Medical Examiner</u>, which had been missing for years, indicated that except for a “fracture of right hip,” which Eduardo sustained when he went “up on the hood” all of Eduardo’s fatal injuries were to his upper body, the result of him being dragged across Bellevue Avenue under the two ton station wagon with Miss Duke at the wheel, intentionally crushing him to death after he rolled off when she’d tapped the brakes.</p> <p><u>The Death Certificate confirms that, even noting that the victim was “struck by auto while opening iron gates and then dragged under the vehicle.”</u></p> <p>“Eduardo was struck at the time he jumped up on the hood to save his life; fracturing his hip, but at that point he was still alive and was only “dragged under the vehicle” after Doris Duke, behind the wheel, burst through the gates, tapped the brakes, causing that “slight skid” that Bob Walker heard, whereupon Eduardo rolled off the hood onto Bellevue, only to be crushed to death moments later. (continuing below at left)</p>
	<p>“Bob Walker told me (and you) that just before he reached the service gate he heard a man cry out “Nooooo,” in what was clearly Eduardo’s last plea to Doris for his life.</p>	<p>(continuing below at left)</p>

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9.22.21	<p>THE FABRICATED TRANSCRIPT</p> <p>“As reported in my book, when Chief Radice corruptly conspired with Aram Arabian Miss Duke’s attorney, to declare the case “an unfortunate accident” and allow her to escape criminal charges, most of the details to support Sgt. Newton’s theory were excised from the police report. However....</p> <p>Chapters Six, Seven and Ten document how the initial “accident” conclusion was based entirely on the word of Miss Duke (thought to be the only witness to the incident until Bob Walker came forward) as reflected in this paper thin “transcript” of a four question/five answer “interview” conducted in Miss Duke’s bedroom at Rough Point on Sunday, October 9th, 1966.</p>	<p>“On the basis of that brief interview, witnessed by Registry of Motor Vehicles investigator Lewis A. Perrotti, who told me that “the fix was in” by the time he and his partner, the late Al Masserone, got to that bedroom, Chief Radice closed out the case, only to “walk back” that conclusion within hours on Monday October 10th, 1966 after the then RI Attorney General, J. Joseph Nugent, cautioned against a rush to judgement in The New York Daily News.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(continuing below at left)</p>
9.22.21	<p>“Almost immediately, Chief Radice declared the case still open and then, as documented in Chapter Seven THE FABRICATED TRANSCRIPT, the Chief conspired with Arabian who suggested that The Newport PD write up a fake Q&A of an “interrogation” purportedly done at Rough Point on Tuesday, October 11th, 1966.</p> <p>“Once that “transcript” was signed off on by Arabian and Miss Duke, the “unfortunate accident” story held — as it has for nearly 55 years until Bob Walker, the only known living witness was interviewed by you on July 2nd.</p>	<p>This is a link to that fabricated “transcript” which shows “prima facie” (on its face) to be a fraud, since in answer to the very first question, the interrogator (purportedly the Chief of Detectives Paul Sullivan) got Miss Duke’s birth date wrong, requiring her to cross out 1928 and write in 1912, then initial it: D.D.</p>
	<p>“Clearly if a live stenographer had been present during an actual interrogation, then he or she would have caught that mistake and corrected it in the final transcript. But this extraordinary example of police corruption, which for more than half a century has supported the “unfortunate accident” myth, is not only an ongoing blight on the reputation of The Newport PD — but continues to mislead the citizens of Newport, RI and cause ongoing pain to Eduardo Tirella’s living family members</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(continuing at right).</p>	<p>“Now consider how Bob Walker’s account, dovetails precisely with Sgt. Fred Newton’s “up on the hood” conclusion in Eduardo’s death. In my most recent VanityFair piece on August 5th, 2021, he says that he felt compelled to approach The Newport PD only after he realized that what he heard on the late afternoon of October 7th, 1966 synced perfectly with Sgt. Newton’s theory of the homicide as told to me by retired NPD Patrolman Angel, who also underscored the importance of Bob’s revelations.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(continuing below at left)</p>

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9.22.21	<p data-bbox="350 275 930 338">REMOVING AN CONFUSION YOU MAY STILL HAVE</p> <p data-bbox="350 380 930 684">“Since I painstakingly transcribed the audio of your two hour interview with Bob in CID Interview Room No. 1 on July 2nd, 2021 and sent you the transcript, it became clear to me that, hearing his story for the first time and only having read my initial piece in VF published July 16th, 2020, you were a bit confused.</p> <p data-bbox="350 726 930 1346">“To fully appreciate Bob's near photographic memory of the events of Oct 7th, 1966 which he told me were “seared” into his memory, I took him up to Rough Point on July 4th, 2021, two days after his confession to you, and he made it clear precisely where he was as he quickly peddled from the SE corner of Ledge Road to the service gate at Rough Point, during which he heard every beat of the last moments of Eduardo’s life and then, turned to confront Doris Duke herself, who got out of the crashed Dodge Polara (unwounded) prevented him from seeing under the vehicle, then angrily chased him from the scene.</p> <p data-bbox="350 1388 930 1734">“The essence of my interviews with Bob were compiled in this 5:08 video by the editors of Vanity Fair, whose attorneys vetted and reviewed all of my findings prior to publication online on August 5th. If you haven’t seen that video by now you should watch it forthwith. As soon as you hit “play” you have to increase the audio via the icon at the bottom of the screen.</p> <p data-bbox="529 1755 797 1793" style="text-align: center;">(continuing at right)</p>	<p data-bbox="946 275 1458 338">THE CONTINUING ANGUISH OF EDUARDO’S FAMILY</p> <p data-bbox="946 380 1466 632">“Having declared in your initial email to me that “this case (is) not going to be ignored” and that you “would love to bring justice to Eduardo and his family,” your failure to expeditiously evaluate the treasure trove of evidence presented to you by me and Bob Walker, continues to weigh on them.</p> <p data-bbox="946 674 1466 1052">Just recently I came across this June 4th, 2021 report by The NBC affiliate in Boston on the 20+ year investigation into the murder of Molly Bish, which led to the largest police man hunt in Massachusetts history. Based on a recent informant’s tip, the Worcester County D.A. identified Frank Sumner Sr. as the principal person of interest in her abduction and murder. Sumner died in 2016, just as Doris Duke died in 1993.</p> <p data-bbox="946 1094 1466 1346">But that has not kept the Worcester County authorities from staying on Molly's case. If you watch the report you will see the continuing anguish in the faces of Molly’s sister and mother, who, as it turns out, saw a man resembling Sumner near the point of Mollie’s abduction.</p> <p data-bbox="946 1388 1466 1734">The Bish family and the Tirella family each share an enduring need for justice and closure. The difference between those two cases is that while the police in Warren Massachusetts can't be 100% sure of the killer’s ID, WE KNOW WHO KILLED EDUARDO — not only do we know it was Doris Duke, but she was found civilly liable for his death in the 1971 wrongful death trial which I detail in my book.</p> <p data-bbox="946 1755 1438 1793">So I reiterate: what are you waiting for?</p> <p data-bbox="1097 1793 1414 1831" style="text-align: center;">(continuing below at left)</p>

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9.22.21	<p>“Will your promotion to Sergeant, in which you’ll be working in the Traffic Division and carrying your same cold caseload, impede you further?”</p> <p>“Following the coverage of my second piece on VF.com by The Associated Press, there is now worldwide interest in the progress of your investigation.</p> <p>“Please get back to me and let me know if you need anything else in the way of help from me wrap up your investigation so that the corrupt conclusion by then Chief Joseph Radice, that Eduardo’s death was the result of “an unfortunate accident,” can be forever erased from the official records of The Newport PD. Respectfully Peter Lance</p>	<p>PL NOTE: When I didn’t hear back from JW I sent a copy of that detailed email to her to Bob Walker. After reading it he called and gave me an additional detail about JW’s unannounced visit to his home on 9.15.21 – something she told him, suggesting that she was trying to undermine my credibility with him.</p> <p>So I sent JW a follow-up email hoping to get a response before she left for vacation. (see below left).</p>
9.22.21	PL to JW 8:31 PDT Subject: 82 Days	
	<p>“Det. Wuest, Before you leave on vacation I would appreciate you responding to the email I sent to you today.</p> <p>Clearly, given the detailed road map I’ve provided, proving the case for “intent to kill murder,” it shouldn’t take you long to conclude your probe. Just now on my website, while giving you the benefit of the doubt, I was compelled to point out that you’ve now been working on the reopened “Duke case” for 82 days. I will continue to update that number every day your investigation drags on.</p> <p>But there’s another matter I’d like to raise with you and, frankly, I don’t know if, somehow, it has affected just how long you’ve taken to “bring justice to Eduardo and his family.”</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(continued at right)</p>	<p>“I copied Bob Walker on the email I sent you this morning and he just called me, saying that he couldn’t agree more with the need for you to expeditiously conclude your findings.</p> <p>He then said that “The other night when Jacque was at my house, she said something that surprised me. She said that ‘Peter Lance has told you something that was wrong.’”</p> <p>Bob said that at the time he didn’t inquire about what you were alluding to, so let me ask you now:</p> <p>What have you possibly found in your protracted 82 day investigation that suggests I had a single fact wrong in my work or that I communicated something “wrong” to Bob Walker?</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(continuing below at left)</p>

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9.22.21	PL to JW 9.22.21 8:31 PDT	
	<p>“While I continue to give you the benefit of the doubt, I'm surprised that while you haven't had the time to finish my book, you found the time to raise a question to Bob that goes to my credibility.</p> <p>Please get back to me before you go on what I understand is an an extended European river cruise.</p> <p>Respectfully, Peter Lance</p>	<p>PL NOTE: Det. Wuest was still in Newport at the time I sent this email which was received without an “out-of-office” reply.</p> <p>Later when I followed up, I got an “out of office” reply saying that she would return to work on 10.25.21, presumably after her three week vacation to Europe.</p> <p>Two days later on 9.24.21, I filed an APRA request for the audio of JW's interview with Edward Angel</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(see below left).</p> <p>When I got it and transcribed it, that interview revealed unmistakable evidence that as of 9.17.21, more than ten (10) weeks into her investigation, Det. Jacque Wuest had developed a mindset demonstrating that she was no longer committed to bringing “justice to Eduardo” as she'd pledged in her email to me 8.2.21</p>
9.24.21	PL APRA Request with follow-up email to Sgt. Greg Belcher.	
10.7.21	<p>PL email to JW at 1:53 PM PDT, attaching a copy of the 22 page transcript of her 43:48 minute interview with Edward Angel on 9.17.21, during which she used the official police report of The Newport PD -- which she had twice claimed in emails to PL, that the NPD did not have -- to refresh former Officer Angel's recollection.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(continuing at right)</p>	<p>PL email to JW 10.7.21</p> <p>“Det. Wuest, I understand that you've been away on a three week vacation to Europe. But today is the 55th anniversary of Eduardo Tirella's death and the 99th day of your investigation into the reopening of “the Duke case.”</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(continuing below at left)</p>

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10.7.21	<p>“In your email to me of August 2nd, 2021 you stated: ‘After an extensive search through the building, unfortunately the Newport Police Department does not have any records from the case.’ See screen capture below:</p> <p>“Then, nearly a month later on September 1st you emailed me asking if I would be ‘willing to send (you) copies of the complete report and autopsy report,’ noting that the excerpts I had of the file in my book were “very small.”</p> <p>Clearly, the implication was that the NPD did not have the official report.</p> <p>“But on September 17th at The Newport PD you interviewed Patrolman Edward Angel, the first officer on the scene on 10.7.66, who confirmed Sgt. Newton’s “up on the hood” theory of Eduardo’s Death.</p> <p><u>At that time, it was clear that you had the entire police report, including the hand written diagram Officer Angel made on that fatal night initially designating the Point of Impact (PIO) as in the middle of Bellevue Avenue where he found skin and blood “skuff marks” at the spot where Eduardo (injured but alive) rolled off the hood of the Dodge Polara wagon where-upon Doris Duke intentionally drove over him, dragging him across Bellevue to his death.</u></p> <p>PL’s email to JW on 10.7.21 continues below</p>	<p>PL NOTE: as cited in a footnote on page 13 of this TIMELINE, on 9.1.21, one hour and five minutes BEFORE Det. Wuest sent her second email to me asking for “copies of the complete report” on Eduardo Tirella’s death, she obtained a copy from Donna Lohmeyer, begging the question why was she trying to get it from me?</p> <p>FURTHER, THIS POINT IS CRUCIAL:</p> <p>Neither the official NPD report of the Duke/Tirella investigation that I had, nor the one furnished to JW by Donna Lohmeyer on 9.1.21 contained “the drawing,” that Officer Angel made on 10.7.66 indicating the Point of Impact (POI) where he found Eduardo’s skin and blood, “in the middle of Bellevue Avenue.” Yet Det. Wuest used that drawing during her 9.17.21 interview with EA. Evidence that the Newport PD – as I suspected – had the complete report all along.</p> <p>All of this underscores the bad faith of The Newport PD in this probe. Why? Because in a meeting in City Manager Nicholson’s office in June, 2019 Chief Gary Silva repeatedly insisted to me that the NPD did not have the official file on Tirella’s homicide, which Chief Radice concluded – in league with Doris Duke’s lawyers -- was “an unfortunate accident.”</p>
10.7.21	<p>“Det. Wuest, apart from the bad faith you’ve demonstrated in your multiple emails assuring me that you were earnestly pursuing this new investigation in light of Bob Walker’s groundbreaking admissions to you on July 2nd, the transcript of Edward Angel’s interview also reflects your apparent incompetence.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">(continued at right)</p>	<p>“For example: at the top of page 4 you ask Officer Angel, “Do you know if Fred Newton’s alive?” I don’t have to remind you that Sgt. Newton is the linchpin of the intent-to-kill evidence in this case and a former Chief of The Newport Police Department. The fact that a 22 year NPD veteran like you in a town as small as Newport <u>would not know that he had died in 1999 - the year you apparently started on the force — strains belief.</u></p>

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10.7.21	<p>“Further, as evidence of your apparent bias in continuing to push Chief Radice’s false “accident” theory of the crash on page 18 of the transcript you say, “Hard to prove intent when everybody’s deceased.”</p> <p>“Does that sound like a statement from an open minded finder of fact? No. It’s sounds like 10+ weeks after you opened the case you’d reverted to the point of defending the “unfortunate accident” story.</p> <p>Shortly thereafter in Officer Angel’s interview you actually come up with a scenario in which, Doris Duke, “sliding over” might have somehow accidentally moved “the thing” (referring to the shift lever which was on the wheel) stating that, “It happened to me in the old cars we had. It would jump forward. It happened to me before.”</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(continuing at right)</p>	<p>“Apart from the fact that no automobile in modern memory has contained a gear shifting system in which a driver could accidentally take a car out of “Park” and move it into “Drive” you were also clueless as to whether the 1966 Dodge Polara “death” wagon contained a parking break. (See the transcript at the top of page 19).</p> <p>“While all of that is detailed in my book on page 176, when I Fed Exd Officer Angel a copy of that transcript Saturday, <u>I included five (5) pages from a sworn response to interrogatories in the civil case brought by Eduardo Tirella’s family vs. AVIS Rent-A-Car</u> (owner of the wagon) in which an Avis official testified under oath (quoting Doris) that, <u>“I moved over to the driver’s seat. I put my left foot on the brake and moved the gear shift from ‘park’ to ‘drive.’”</u></p>
	<p>“In addition, I sent Officer Angel a copy of the <u>6.18.71 UPI coverage of the Tirella family’s wrongful death trial in Providence</u> in which their attorney, Edward Freidman, <u>unchallenged by Duke’s lawyers</u> asserted that “Tirella stopped the car 15 feet from the gates...put the brake on and left the car in ‘park,’ as he went to open the gates. He said Miss Duke slid into the driver’s seat, released the brake and put the car into gear.” All those details are included in the sixty (60) pages of end note annotations in my book, which you would have known about if you’d taken the time to read it. (continuing at right)</p>	<p>“Yesterday after I’d sent the transcript and the additional evidence to Officer Angel. I interviewed him by phone and in that conversation (which I documented) he told me the following: “Right now I feel, with Bob’s statement being believed, it was an intentional act. His statement, with your investigation and what I observed at the scene when I got there — that’s it. That’s the knockout and I told Jacque that: If the kid is telling the truth there’s been a big cover up.” (continuing below left)</p>
	<p>“In your first email to me on August 2nd you said that you found Bob “credible.” So once you accept his account (which dovetails with Sgt. Newton’s findings) that Doris Duke killed Eduardo with intent, the fact that she cold bloodedly got out of the wagon, uninjured, angrily chasing Bob from the scene, then upon hearing the siren of Officer Angel’s oncoming unit, got back inside, wounded herself and began feigning shock, you’ll appreciate how her behavior, in the words of veteran Brooklyn South Homicide Detective James Moss (NYPD Ret.) was that of “a pure psychopath.”</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(continuing at right)</p>	<p>“If you continue to have any doubts, reread <u>my August 5th Vanity Fair piece</u> and <u>watch the video of Bob</u> When you interviewed him on July 2nd you seemed confused about just where he first heard “a man and a woman arguing,” and how he quickly peddled up from Ledge Road to the RP service gate just moments before the second (and fatal) crash across the street from RP’s main gate. That video will help to further corroborate Bob’s account which, he says was “seared” into his memory.</p> <p>So that’s it. As Edward Angel told you, “if the kid is telling the truth... that’s the knockout.”</p>

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11.4.21	<p>PL email to JW:</p> <p>“Det. Wuest, I never heard back from you after I sent you the detailed email attached below on 9.22.21, eighty-two (82) days after you commenced a probe into Eduardo Tirella’s death prompted by compelling new evidence from Robert E. “Bob” Walker, Jr., the former paperboy for Rough Point who was interviewed by you for two hours on 7.2.21 after he’d read my book HOMICIDE AT ROUGH POINT and realized that my findings: that Doris Duke murdered Eduardo with intent, synced precisely with his recollection of events.</p> <p><u>This is a link to the 58 page word-for-word transcript</u> of your interview with Bob, which I transcribed the week of 8.21-28.21 after getting a copy of the audio of the 1:49:48 interview via an APRA request. On October 30th, <u>I did a 24 page transcript</u> of your interview on 9.17.21 with former NPD Patrolman Edward Angel, the first NPD officer to arrive shortly after Bob Walker was chased from the scene by Doris Duke, whom Bob told you, emerged from the 1966 crashed Dodge Polara wagon unharmed and staring down at the wagon deliberately and with cold blood.</p> <p>“Initially Bob's account seemed to be in conflict with that of Officer Angel, who, minutes later, found Doris inside the wagon, apparently in shock and suffering from facial wounds. But as he told you during that interview, after believing for years that Eduardo’s death was accidental, Bob’s account caused the former patrolman to reconsider that assessment. As he noted on pages 18-19 of the transcript: (continued at right)</p>	<p>“If, in fact, she was outside that car before I got there, uninjured – and what I observed --- it gives you a sense that maybe there was intent and an intent to cover up what had happened.” Further, in a recorded interview he did with me for my 8.5.21 VF.com piece, Officer Angel said this:</p> <p>“If the former paperboy’s account is credible, it could very well mean that [Doris Duke] was covering up her actions and was pretty deliberate about it. She had a history of losing her temper over the years. So she would have been capable of that kind of act; first in killing him and then immediately thereafter in the cover-up. If [the paperboy's] testimony is to be believed, this changes everything... It certainly throws a whole new light on the case.” In your 8.2.21 email to me you wrote that you found “Mr. Walker’s account of the incident on Oct. 7, 1966 credible.”</p> <p>“So with the evidence compiled in my investigation, including my 438 page book, my initial Vanity Fair piece published online and in the magazine on 7.16.20, my most recent piece on VF.com published 8.5.21, (both of which were heavily vetted by Condé Nast’s lawyers) combined with your interviews of Bob Walker and Edward Angel — both of whom support Sgt. Fred Newton’s “up-on-the-hood” theory of Eduardo’s death -- it shouldn’t take you long to bring your investigation (now in it’s fifth month) to a close. (continued below at left)</p>

