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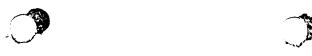
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KEVIN IVES (DECEASED) - VICTIM; DON HENRY (DECEASED) - VICTIM;

ITAR - MURDER FOR HIRE;

USE OF MINORS TO DISTRIBUTE DRUGS;

DOMESTIC POLICE COOPERATION

Synopsis: victim DON HENRY, telephonically expressed his gratitude for the FBI's efforts in captioned matter.

Details: On May 17, 1996

HENRY, the Little Rock Office of the FBI, and requested to speak with this agent.

Bureau in its attempt to answer the many questions concerning the death

press," Victim KEVIN IVES,

the professionalism displayed, and the services provided by the Bureau, if this would be

I thanked for his complimentary remarks, and informed him that, in cases which have not resulted in charges being filed, the FBI is precluded from directly or indirectly commenting on the matter -- the decision to express his views is a matter left solely to his discretion.

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USE OF MINORS TO SELL AND DISTRIBUTE DRUGS;

DOMESTIC POLICE COOPERATION

Interview of Synopsis:

by Arkansas State

Police Investigator J. B. Broguon.

Details: Attached to this memo is an interview of a claims to have knowledge of the deaths of Don Henry and Kevin Ives. advised that he saw the boys with large sums of money and drugs. The boys told that they were selling drugs for the police.

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USE OF MINORS TO SELL AND DISTRIBUTE DRUGS;

DOMESTIC POLICE COOPERATION

Synopsis: Tip sent to writer from

"Unsolved Mysteries."

Details: Attached to this memo is a tip sent to writer from of "Unsolved Mysteries." This information was taken by an operator at "Unsolved Mysteries" where the following information was reported:

The anonymous caller advised that the prosecutor in Saline County was involved in the deaths of captioned victims. The caller went on to say that he is in law enforcement and would only be contacted by placing an ad in the Conway newspaper.

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In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

→ 10825 Financial Centre Pkwy, Little Rock, AR 72211 February 2, 1998

Honorable Paula J. Casey United States Attorney Eastern District of Arkansas Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

> Re: Unknown Subject;

> > Kevin Ives (Deceased) - Victim; Don Henry (Deceased) - Victim; Interstate Transportation in Aid of Racketeering - Murder for Hire;

Use of Minors to Sell and

Distribute Drugs;

Domestic Police Cooperation

Dear Ms. Casey:

As you are well aware, this office has been engaged in the investigation of the deaths of Kevin Ives and Don Henry in Saline County, Arkansas, intermittently since their deaths in August, 1986. The issues being investigated were multiple and included, not necessarily inclusive, the cause of death, jurisdiction, and even if a crime occurred. This was done under the caption of Interstate Transportation in Aid of Racketeering -Murder for Hire and Use of Minors to Sell and Distribute Drugs.

Simply stated, this investigation has not revealed information that supports those investigative categories or even sufficient information to support a continuance of our investigation. We cannot state with certainty a murder even occurred, there is no indication of interstate character beyond the train that ran over the victims, and there is no definitive information that supports the drug distribution matter. there are all sorts of rumors and accusations that even involve our respective offices, there are no credible interviews nor is there any forensic evidence that supports continued

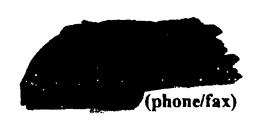
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Certainly there is some unresolved and even troubling information about this matter, but I do not believe we can continue to investigate this matter under the aforementioned violations. However, we will continue to remain alert for any information that may be pertinent to this matter and either refer it to the appropriate state or local authorities, or if appropriate, reopen our investigation.

Sincerely yours,

Ivian C. Smith Special Agent in Charge FBI, State of Arkansas 166C-LR-35380-464 is missing



June 29, 1998

I.C. Smith, Special Agent in Charge Arkansas Federal Bureau of Investigation Suite 200, Two Financial Centre 10825 Financial Centre Parkway Little Rock, AR. 72211-3552

Dear Mr. Smith:

I visited you and Agent Michael Smith in your office. We On Friday, May 29, wanted perjury charges filed against John Brown and were advised by Assistant U.S. Attorney Bob Govar to request an FBI investigation. Although I discussed the probability that our request to you would be a waste of time, we decided to comply with the recommended procedure.

Our accusation of perjury stems from a swom affidavit signed by John Brown and used by the attorney for Jay Campbell and Kirk Lane in their defamation suit against Pat Matrisciana, the producer of the Obstruction of Justice video. All the elements of perjury are clear. The affidavit contained several lies that are materially detrimental to Matrisciana's defense, and there is indisputable proof of the falsity of Brown's statements. You did not ask for the production of our proof but said you would take our request to U.S. Attorney Paula Casey. You promised us a reply by early the next week, but we have not heard from you to date. Interestingly, however, you admitted that John Brown had called earlier and discussed the affidavit incident with you. Did you already have your mind made up to ignore our request?

and I advised you of new evidence in the murders of Don Henry Kevin. Although, I was miffed at your lack of interest at the time, I have become incensed upon reflection. When I I explained that an eyewitness's account has been corroborated, your response was, "I have difficulty with the second autopsy [performed by Dr. Joseph Burton], and I'm not convinced it sufficiently proves the boys were murdered." To reiterate, we offered to lay out corroborated evidence of an eyewitness to murder, and you said you are not convinced a crime was committed. You further noted your "concern" that a jury would rely on the findings of Fahmy Malak's autopsy. In the first place, Mr. Smith, Burton's autopsy report reflects the determination of a team of expert forensic pathologists that the boys were murdered; in the second place, the deaths have been officially ruled homicides by a grand jury; in the third place, the asinine opinion of Malak has been completely destroyed. How dare you ignore the existence of an eyewitness, because, against all reason, you think Burton's autopsy is not credible. Where, in God's name, did you and Fahmy Malak receive your training? 166C-LR-3538

I then took the opportunity to ask you the status of the FBI's request that former U.S. Attorney Chuck Banks be charged with obstruction of justice for preventing Dan Harmon's indictment by the 1990 federal grand jury. You were not in the Little Rock office in early 1994, when I learned of the 1997

recommendation, and you avoided a direct answer to my inquiry by claiming you have not seen anything about it "in writing," but I pressed for an explanation. There was ample evidence against Harmon when Banks announced to the media that no evidence existed, and Bob Govar, who headed the 1990 investigation, has said he would testify that Banks lied. I were amazed at your response that "Mr. Govar should be investigated for failing to report a crime." Then, as our conversation progressed, you admitted the FBI is also aware of evidence that Harmon has run a criminal enterprise since 1984. So, why do you suggest Govar be investigated for failing to report a crime of which you are also aware? We asked that question in the meeting, but you didn't answer. Do you care to answer now?

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Harmon's April, 1997, indictment was under RICO, so he could have been charged with crimes ten years back, including his involvement in the August 23, 1987 murders of Kevin and Don. Even though an eyewitness came forward in 1993 and passed an FBI polygraph test placing Harmon on the tracks with the boys that night, Harmon's indictment did not include any crime prior to August of 1991. I have always suspected the reason was to protect Banks, and you confirmed that to me. You said, "Paula Casey made the decision to not include the crimes for which Banks had already cleared Harmon, because Harmon would use that as a defense."

I resent the excuses you and Paula Casey use to protect criminals, and the hammer you hold over the head of a whistle-blower. Bob Govar is willing to give testimony that Chuck Banks obstructed justice, and you want Govar investigated. How typical. Govar gets investigated, but Banks is protected. And, even though you have evidence that Harmon has been committing crimes since 1984, Paula Casey chose to ignore that evidence and protect Banks for providing Harmon with a defense. That defense, however, would not be available to Harmon if Banks were indicted. Harmon and Banks are both criminals and are both being protected.

You expressed concern that I might post on our website things you do or say that I don't like. Since the purpose of our website is to expose the cover-up of the murders of Kevin and Don, you can be assured that your participation in protecting the criminals involved will be reported. You and Paula Casey have the power of the federal government behind you. You can decide who is to be punished and who is to be protected. I, however, have the power of the internet behind me, and I can report the truth in spite of attempts by the government to cover it up. Our website is making a record, and the truth will be accurately assessed by history.

If you wish to reply, I will be glad to have our webmaster post your response.



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Synopsis: Retaining evidence

Details: This case was closed on 2-3-98. To remain with in the policies as set forth in the MIOG, the evidence for a closed case must be handled. On Friday, 2-5-99, SSA stated to writer that ASAC WILLIAM TEMPLE decided to retain the evidence for a one year period of time in case new circumstances appear and the case would be reopened.

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ARMED AND DANGEROUS

Synopsis: Retaining evidence in a closed case.

Details: This EC is to document the closed file so as to retain the evidence in this case due to its high profile. If some new circumstance presents itself, then the case will be re-opened. A tickler of 8-3-01 will be imposed to review the situation.

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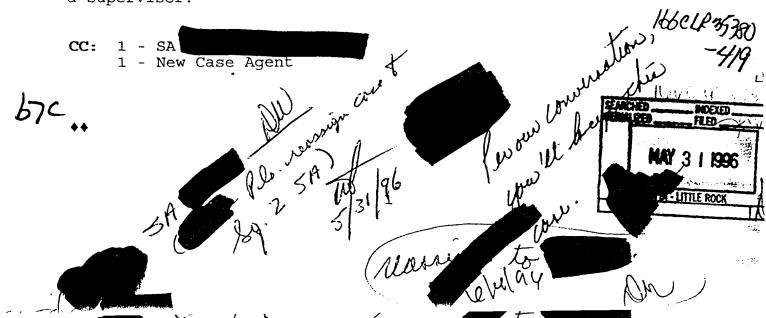
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Any Agent reassigned this case needs to be very cognizant of the media involvement in this case.

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The Lonely Crusade of Linda Ives

By MICAH MORRISON ALEXANDER, Ark,-Linda Ives appears to be a simple housewife-born in 1949, graduated from Little Rock's McClellan High School, and married to Larry Ives, an engineer on the Union Pacific railroad. But her tale is one of the most Byzantine in all Arkansas, involving the murder of her son and his friend, allegations of airdropped drugs connected to the Mena, 'Ark., airport, a series of aborted investigations and, she believes, cover-ups by local, state and federal investigators.

The case started nine years ago, when Bill Clinton was governor of Arkansas. Today, with Mr. Clinton in the White House, it is still rattling through the state, with one of the principal figures making bizarre headlines in the local press as recently as the last few weeks. Above all, the "train deaths" case opens a window into the seamy world of Arkansas drugs.

Just the Facts, Ma'am

The bare facts of the case are these: At 4:25 a.m. on Aug. 23, 1987, a northbound Union Pacific train ran over two teenagers, Kevin Ives and Don Henry, as they lay side by side, motionless on the tracks. Arkansas State Medical Examiner Fahmy Malak quickly ruled the deaths "accidental," saying the boys were "un-conscious and in deep sleep" due to smoking marijuana. "We didn't know anything about marijuana at the time," Mrs. Ives says. But when medical experts found the explanation implausible, "we really began asking ques-tions." The families held a press conference challenging the ruling, which received wide publicity in Arkansas.

This in turn provoked an investigation by a local grand jury in Saline County, a largely rural area between Little Rock and Hot Springs. Ultimately the bodies were exhumed and another autopsy was performed by outside pathologists. They found that Don Henry had been stabbed in the back, and that Kevin Ives had been beaten with a rifle butt. In grand jury testimony, lead pathologist Joseph Burton of Atlanta said that the boys "were either incapacitated, knocked unconscious, possibly even killed, their bodies placed on the tracks and the train overran their bodies." In Septem-

ber 1988, the grand jury issued a report stating, "Our conclusions are that the case is definitely a homicide."

The teenagers told their parents they were going out for a night of deer hunting by spotlight. From the beginning allegations of a drug connection haunted the case. One police report filed seven months after the deaths reads, "Confidential Informant states that she has been told that the area the two boys died in is a drop zone for dope." The case soon became a local cause célèbre. A Republican candidate for sheriff in heavily Democratic Saline county held a press conference by the railroad tracks where the two teenagers died, promised to crack down on "drug lords" operating in the area, and won an upset victory.

On taking office, however, the new sheriff passed the investigation along to Chuck Banks, U.S. attorney for the Eastern District of Arkansas during the Bush administration. Mr. Banks's office was probing allegations of drug-related corruption among Saline County officials. At the same time, another investigation was opened by Jean Duffey, a deputy prosecutor heading a newly created drug task force for the state's Seventh Judicial District. Drawing on interviews with area residents and informants, the task force developed a theory that the area was used as a site for drug drops by plane. "We had witnesses telling us about low-flying aircraft and informants testifying about drug pick-ups," Ms. Duffey, recalled recently 7 (Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

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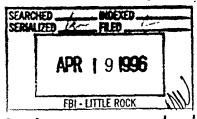
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Ms. Duffey also says that her supervisor, outgoing Prosecuting Attorney Gary Arnold, gave her a strange order upon her new appointment. "He told me, 'You are not to use the drug task force to investigate any public officials.' At the time, I assumed it was because of the U.S. attorney's investigation. But as soon as my undercover agents hit the streets, they beganlinking public officials to drug dealing. So I began funneling that information to the U.S. attorney's office."

Eight months after taking the post of drug task force coordinator, Ms. Duffey was fired amid allegations of financial mismanagement, child abuse and official improprieties. The Arkansas State Police subsequently found no basis on which to charge her with mismanagement of task force funds and state welfare authorities cleared her of the abuse allegation. Ms. Duffey next received a subpoena that apparently would have forced her to reveal the identity of her informants-to some of the very people being probed for drug corruption, she claims. She chose to ignore the subpoena, she says, "rather than showing up in court and refusing to testify and being jailed for contempt. I feared for my safety in an Arkansas jail. Then the judge issued a felony arrest warrant-'failure to appear' usually is a low-level misdemeanor-and told the newspapers I was a fugitive. That's when I left the state."

Ms. Duffey attributes the "smear campaign" and subpoena that forced her from the state to Dan Harmon, who had won the Democratic nomination for prosecuting attorney for the Seventh Judicial District. While he did not take office until January 1991, he had considerable influence in 1990 because the Democratic nomination insured he would eventually gain the post. Interviewed this week, Mr. Harmon says that Ms. Duffey is a "crackpot" and that he was "planning to replace her when all hell broke loose."

Ms. Duffey says that matters were a great deal more serious than a personal dispute between her and Mr. Harmon: "My agents were turning up information linking Mr. Harmon to drugs, that's what the real problem was." Mr. Harmon also was identified in leaked investigative documents as a "target" in the 1989-1991 U.S. attorney's drug-corruption probe, and Ms.

Duffey says the reason she did not respond to Mr. Harmon's attacks was that the U.S. attorney's office was assuring her that his indictment was imminent. But in November 1990 the case supervisor, Assistant U.S. Attorney Robert Govar, was removed from the investigation and U.S. Attorney Banks took charge.

In June 1991, Mr. Banks announced that the investigation was over. "There's not going to be any pressing of indictment against Mr. Harmon or any other public official," he said. "We found no evidence of

any drug-related misconduct by public officials." Mr. Banks added that there would be no arrests in connection with the deaths of Kevin Ives and Don Henry.

The Clinton Administration Responds

Bill Clinton's gubernatorial administration assumed a role in the Ives and Henry case shortly after Dr. Malak's marijuana-induced accidental death ruling. Dr. Malak, an Egyptian-born physician appointed medical examiner during Mr. Clinton's first term, already had been buffeted by a number of controversial cases. With public pressure growing over botched tests and faulty handling of evidence in the train deaths affair, Gov. Clinton called in

two out-of-state pathologists to review the work of the medical examiner and the state crime lab, where the autopsies had been conducted.

But when the Saline County grand jury probing the case attempted to subpoena the outside pathologists, Gov. Clinton balked. Betsey Wright, his chief of staff, submitted an affidavit saying she did not "know when the two pathologists will return to Little Rock" and that their contract with the state was to "make a job performance evaluation, not to provide a second opinion on specific cases." The grand jury responded by issuing a subpoena to Ms. Wright herself on May 25, 1988, and the next day issued its initial ruling of "probable homicide" in need of further investigation.

Two months later, Gov. Clinton revived a long dormant state Medical Examiner Commission to handle the Malak controversy. The panel was headed up by the director of the Arkansas Department of Health, Joycelyn Elders. In January 1989, the Medical Examiner Commission ruled on the Malak case. There was "insufficient evidence at this time for dismissal" of Dr. Malak, Dr. Elders announced. Nine months later, Gov. Clinton introduced a bill to make the state more competitive in hiring forensic pathologists - by giving Dr. Malak a \$32,000 pay raise; the state Legislature later cut the raise by half. Ms. Wright says the salary was raised in anticipation of removing Dr. Malak and attracting a new medical examiner. Dr. Malak was eased out of his job and given a position as a Health Department consultant to Dr. Elders a month before Gov. Clinton announced his presidential run.

A Los Angeles Times report in May 1992 notes that Dr. Malak's other controversial cases included one involving Mr. Clinton's mother, nurse-anesthetist Virginia Kelley. It said Dr. Malak's 1981 ruling in the death of one patient Mrs. Kelley was attending helped her "avoid legal scrutiny" in that death when she was already a defendant in a negligence suit in another patient's death. The suit was eventually settled by the hospital; Mrs. Kelley's hospital privileges were revoked in 1981 and she withdrew from practice.

Linda Ives has developed more sinister explanations for the Clinton administration's solicitude for Dr. Malak, charging that "high state and federal officials" have joined in an attempt to cover up the deaths of the boys and drug-related activities in Saline County. Taking allies where she can find them, she recently teamed up with California-based Jeremiah Films to produce a just-released videotape of her story. The company previously produced the notorious "Clinton Chronicles" videotape. but Mrs. Ives promises that she has "exercised full editorial control" over the new tape, and says that portions of the proceeds will go to "a special Civil Justice Fund we've established to find a courageous lawyer and finance a wrongful death lawsuit."

Of course, Mrs. Ives's own perceptions are colored by a nine-year obsession with her son's death. "I firmly believe my son and Don Henry were killed because they witnessed a drug drop by airplane connected to the Mena drug smuggling routes," Mrs. Ives says. "It's the only thing that could explain everything that has happened." It's well established that self-confessed cocaine smuggler and Drug Enforcement Administration informant

TO BU 4-19-96 DES Barry Seal operated out of Mena, in western Arkansas. Although he was murdered 18 months before the death of the boys, reports of Mena-connected drug activities persisted for years.

Police records also show that one of the early investigators on the train deaths case was Arkansas State Police Officer L.D. Brown, a former security aide to Gov. Clinton who is now cooperating with Independent Counsel Kenneth Starr's Whitewater probe. He says that he was ordered off the train deaths case in 1988. "I was told

it had something to do with Mena and I was to get off it," Mr. Brown said in a recent interview. The superior officer who gave him the order died of cancer in 1994.

Last July, in an interview with American Spectator editor R. Emmett Tyrrell, Mr. Brown claimed that he worked briefly for Barry Seal, and that when he informed Gov. Clinton of Mr. Seal's activities, Gov. Clinton told him that it was "Lasater's deal" and that he was not to worry about it. Dan Lasater is the Little Rock bond dealer and Clinton supporter arrested for cocaine distribution in 1986, in the same probe that netted Roger Clinton, the president's brother. While Mr. Lasater has received far less publicity than Hillary Clinton's financial transactions, veteran Arkansas observers have long viewed him as one of Mr. Clinton's most troubling connections. The new round of Senate Whitewater hearings reauthorized yesterday will provide a glimpse of Mr. Lasater, since the next stage of investigation will delve into some of his deals.

As Mr. Lasater was being charged with cocaine distribution in 1986, the DEA confirmed that he was the target of a drug trafficking probe involving his private plane and a small airstrip at the New Mexico resort, Angel Fire, which he had purchased in 1984. In the transcript of his interview with the FBI, Mr. Lasater identifies a police officer named Jay Campbell as an old friend. He also says that Mr. Campbell was a member of a DEA task force and had flown on his plane. Mr. Campbell-working a narcotics beat at the time for a nearby town's police force-was subpoenaed by the original Saline County grand jury and appears in police reports on the train deaths case.

Mr. Lasater could not be reached for comment. Mr. Campbell, now a lieutenant in a Pulaski County (Little Rock) narcotics unit, says that Mr. Lasater was only an "acquaintance" and that he was not a member of a DEA task force at the time, though he later served on several federal probes. He vigorously denies any involvement in the train deaths case and says he was "dragged into" the probe by a publicity-seeking Dan Harmon, then serving as special prosecutor for the Saline County

Dan Harmon and Today

One of the most constant and puzzling counterpoints in Linda Ives's lonely crusade has been Mr. Harmon, today still prosecuting attorney for the Seventh Judicial District. Initially, he led the aggressive Saline County grand jury that had the bodies exhumed. He even worked on the case as a volunteer before requesting that the presiding judge appoint him special prosecutor to supervise investigation of the deaths. Mr. Harmon had previously served as an elected county prosecutor in 1978-1980, then declared bankruptcy and briefly decamped to California before returning to Arkansas and private practice. Mr. Harmon won his 1990 election as prosecuting attorney by capitalizing on publicity gained as special prosecutor in the train deaths, and has held the post ever since.

At the time of his election, Mr. Harmon was a suspect in the U.S. attorney's corruption probe. "Dan Harmon. . ." states a February 1990 U.S. Attorney's Office memorandum leaked to the Arkansas press, "has been identified as a target in this investigation." One of the cocaine dealers targeted in the probe allegedly was connected to Mr. Harmon. The dealer, the memo says, "may have been involved, indirectly, in the murders of Kevin Ives and Don Henry." Mr. Harmon was cleared in June 1991 when U.S. Attorney Banks announced that he had found no evidence of drug-related misconduct by officials.

It appeared that the crusade was over. But in 1993, Mrs. Ives persuaded yet another new Saline County sheriff to reopen the train deaths probe. Detective John Brown was assigned the case. He says he was soon approached by a high-ranking state official who told him "it would be best if I just left this thing alone." But Mr. Brown did not leave it alone. In fact, Mr. Brown says that he turned up a new witness in the case. According to Mr. Brown, the witness claims that he saw Mr. Harmon on the tracks the night the boys were killed. Mr. Harmon dismisses the charge as "totally ridiculous."

But the new witness appears to have triggered an FBI probe. Mr. Brown says he was in the process of checking out the allegation when he mentioned it to a local FBI official who, much to Mr. Brown's surprise, immediately took the witness into protective custody and polygraphed him. "The FBI then said they were taking over the case and wanted everything I had," Mr. Brown recalls.

Jean Duffey, the former drug task force head, says the FBI contacted her in March 1994—three years after she fled the state—telling her that a new investigation of the train deaths and official corruption was under way, and asking for her assistance. Linda Ives also says that after about 18 months of extensive contacts, the FBI broke off communication with her last August, shortly after a summary of the case was forwarded to current U.S. Attorney Paula Casey.

In November, Mrs. Ives had a final meeting with FBI officials. Apparently, the FBI was backing away from the case, particularly the second autopsy. At the November meeting, Mrs. Ives says, "[FBI agent] Bill Temple told me, 'It's time for you to realize a crime has never been committed.'" Mrs. Ives and Ms. Duffey then

went public with the charge that the FBI was participating in a "cover-up," of the controversial case.

The FBI has not responded to numerous requests for comment on its agents' conversations with Mrs. Ives. In virtually the only FBI comment on the case, I.C. Smith, the Little Rock FBI chief, gave a brief interview to the local Benton Courier in which he denied that his office was covering anything up. He said that the main obstacle was "the very real problem of determining whether federal jurisdiction would apply." Mr. Smith also suggested that Agent Temple had been "misquoted" and would not have spoken in such a "coldhearted manner" to Mrs. Ives.

Mrs. Ives sticks by her story, and ridicules Mr. Smith's suggestion that jurisdiction might be at issue. "It's a federal corruption probe they've been working for 18 months," she says. "It's ludicrous to believe the FBI would work a case that long without knowing if they have jurisdiction."

In a memo on the Benton Courier article sent to Mr. Smith (and also sent to six Arkansas media outlets), Ms. Duffey says Mrs. Ives's account of the conversation was confirmed by Phyllis Cournan, another FBI agent in the room at time. Ms. Duffey's memo also says that in 1994 Ms. Cournan told her that the FBI had recommended that Mr. Banks, the former U.S. attorney, be charged with obstructing justice. Mr. Banks, now in private practice in Little Rock, did not respond to requests for comment.

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Meanwhile, Dan Harmon has again been making news in Arkansas. His exwife, Holly DuVall, was arrested Nov. 30 after making a call from Mr. Harmon's phone to an undercover agent to buy a small amount; of methamphetamine. Eleven days earlier, she had made news when local police searched her rented condominium near Hot Springs at the manager's request, following an altercation. They found an empty cocaine evidence package that should have been locked in the safe at Mr. Harmon's drug task force; federal investigators were soon visiting the condo and Mr. Harmon's office.

On March 18, Ms. Duffey went public with charges against Mr. Harmon on a local TV broadcast, "The Pat Lynch Show." One newspaper, the Malvern Daily Record, ran with the story, under the headline "Duffey alleges Harmon at scene of teens' murder." Four days later, Mr. Harmon announced that he was a Democratic candidate in the primary for Saline

County sheriff.

The next day, he was arrested on felony kidnapping and aggravated assault charges after allegedly dragging Ms. Du-Vall from her car and taking her on a 100-mile per-hour ride. After a few days in jail and a brief hunger strike, Mr. Harmon held a press conference to deny kidnapping Ms. DuVall and denounce his arrest as a "political" move to undermine him. In regard to the train deaths allegations, Mr. Harmon says he plans to sue Ms. Duffey, Mr. Lynch and the Malvern Daily Record.

In mid-January the state cut off funding for Mr. Harmon's drug task force, and on Jan. 28 the Arkansas Democrat-Gazette reported that "Federal investigators are said to be building a racketeering case against people associated with the now-defunct Seventh Judicial District Drug Task Force." Arkansas State Police officials confirm that a corruption probe is under way. Mr. Harmon is not worried. "Nobody has questioned me," he says. "Nobody has informed me I'm a target. It's all just in-

nuendo in the local press."

. The results of any continuing federal investigation touching on the Ives and Henry deaths will be presented to Mr. Banks's successor as U.S. attorney for the Eastern District. So Linda Ives' crusade will end up in the hands of Ms. Casey, the longtime Clinton ally and campaign worker who recused herself from Whitewater cases only after making several crucial decisions. President Clinton appointed her U.S. attorney in Little Rock in August 1993, shortly after his unprecedented demand for the immediate resignation of all sitting U.S. attorneys. Mrs. Ives says she is not optimistic about Ms. Casey. "But then," she adds, "it's not like I'm going to go away, either."

Mr. Morrison is a Journal editorial page writer.

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Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 04/29/1996

Little Rock

From: SA'

Squad 4

Approved By:

Drafted By:

Case ID #: 166C-LR-35380 (Pending)

Title: UNSUB(S);

DONALD HENRY (DECEASED),

KEVIN IVES (DECEASED) - VICTIMS;

ITAR - MURDER FOR HIRE

Synopsis: Results of FBI Laboratory examination and Atlanta leads reported.

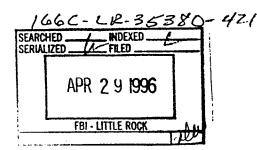
Details: As reported earlier (see serial 393), on November 11, 1995, the case agent was telephonically advised by the Laboratory that the body fluids found on the clothing of the victims had deteriorated to the point that DNA analysis was no longer possible.

More recently, the Laboratory reported by telephone that the human hairs located on the clothing of the victims, and the latent print developed on the scope of the rifle were compared, with negative results from and

On 12/28/95, reported to the County Sheriff's Office, that her live-in boy friend, (phonetic) told her that the brother of drug source, (last name unknown) "killed the boys for getting to (sic) close to a methamphetamine lab."

On 1/4/96, leads were set for Atlanta Division to interview could provide no additional details, and who had recently moved out of residence, could not be located.

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To: Little Rock

From: SAC Ivian C. Smith

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Case ID #: 166C-LR-35380 (Pending)

Title: UNSUBS;

KEVIN IVES (DECEASED); DON HENRY (DECEASED); ITAR - MURDER FOR HIRE; USE OF MINORS TO SELL AND

DISTRIBUTE DRUGS;

DOMESTIC POLICE COOPERATION

Synopsis: Documentation of conversation with SAC Smith on 1996.

Details: On 1996, at about p.m., telephonically contacted SAC Smith and advised she could not make a scheduled meeting She asked that the meeting be

rescheduled for Friday, 1996.

She was advised the original schedule had been made after commitments had been altered, and at this late time, it would be difficult to alter schedules at such a short notice but we could reschedule at a later date.

Discussions then centered around arranging for a meeting on Tuesday, 1996, at 1996, at the husband could not make that meeting, she would come alone.

be pleased with SAC Smith's response, for he would not agree that a coverup by the FBI had occurred, and her continued remarks were both erroneous and irresponsible. However, SAC Smith advised her that he was still willing to meet with her.

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likely fruitless, stating she had agreed to a meeting after SAC Smith contacted her.

She was reminded the telephone call to her was in response to her request in a facsimile she had forwarded to SAC Smith, not that he had independently reached out for her. However, SAC Smith stated this did not change any position of complete willingness to meet with her.

and SAC Smith advised her this had not been done. She stated SAC Smith in regard to comments by ASAC Bill Temple in a previous meeting, to SAC Smith, but that SAC Smith should ask and for the recollection of Temple's remarks as Temple had lied to SAC Smith. Further,

SAC Smith told her he did not agree with her statement but would meet if she desired.

said by ASAC Temple, at which time



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Date:

February 9, 1996

SAC, Little Rock To:

FBI File No. 166C-LR-35380

Lab No. 41219056 S WP YD AN

50106020 S WP AN YD

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50222031 S WP AN YD 50223033 S WP YD AN

Communications dated 12/19/14,

1/19/95, 2/21/95, 2/22/95 and 5/16/95 50517042 S WP YD

Your No.

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UNSUBS; Re:

> KEVIN IVES (DECEASED); DON HENRY (DECEASED);

ITAR - MURDER FOR HIRE;

USE OF MINORS TO SELL AND DISTRIBUTE DRUGS

DOMESTIC POLICE COOPERATION

00: Little Rock

December 19, 1994, under separate cover of communication dated December 19, 1994 (41219056 S WP YD):

K2

Blood samples from

RESUBMITTED ITEM:

Two DNA sample envelopes from Q6 (40131017 S WP AN)

Specimens received January 6, 1995, under cover of communication dated December 19, 1994 (50106020 S WP AN):

Hair samples taken from

ALSO SUBMITTED:

Fingerprints for

RESUBMITTED SLIDES AND PILLBOXES FROM 40131017 (Q6-Q8), 40519001 (021-022), 40317036 (Slides and pillboxes 010-020)

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Specimens received January 20, 1995, under cover of communication dated January 19, 1995 (50120029 S WP AN YD):

K10-K15 Hair samples from

K16 Liquid blood sample from

Specimens received February 22, 1995, under cover of communication dated February 21, 1995 (50222031 S WP AN YD):

K17 Head hair samples form

K18 Blood sample from '

Specimens received February 23, 1995, under cover of communication dated February 22, 1995 (50223033 S WP YD AN):

K19 Blood sample from

K20 Hair samples from

Specimen received May 17, 1995, under cover of communication dated May 16, 1995 (50517042 S WP YD):

K21 Liquid blood sample taken from

Result of examination:

This report supplements the FBI Laboratory reports in this case dated June 2, 1994 and September 14, 1994 and completes the requested examinations. Please refer to those reports for a listing of the previously submitted items.

DNA ANALYSIS:

Deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA) profiles for genetic loci D2S44, D17S79, D1S7, D4S139, D10S28 and D5S110 were developed from HAE III digested high molecular weight DNA extracted from specimens K2 and K16. No DNA profiles were developed from specimen Q6 due to degraded and/or insufficient high molecular weight DNA; therefore, no comparisons could be made to the known sample of the suspect.

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Inasmuch as no DNA profiles were developed from specimen Q6, no analyses of specimens K18, K19 or K21 were conducted.

MICROSCOPIC ANALYSIS:

Debris removed from certain items of clothing submitted from the victims, (specimens Q6, Q7, Q10 through Q12, Q14 and Q17, FBI Laboratory report dated September 14, 1994 (Laboratory Numbers 40131017 S WP AN, 40317036 S WP AN, 40519001 S WP AN) was examined for the presence of head hairs microscopically like the head hairs submitted from (specimen K3 through K9), (specimen K17) and (specimen K20); however, none were found.

It is pointed out that head hair samples from the victims were not submitted to the FBI Laboratory.

DISPOSITION OF EVIDENCE:

In addition to the evidence in this case, the remaining processed DNA from specimens examined by DNA analysis is also being returned under separate cover by registered mail. The processed DNA can be found in a package marked "PROCESSED DNA SAMPLES: SHOULD BE REFRIGERATED/FROZEN." It is recommended that these samples be stored in a refrigerator/freezer and isolated from evidence that has not been examined.

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USE OF MINORS TO SELL AND DISTRIBUTE DRUGS;

DOMESTIC POLICE COOPERATION

Synopsis: Report of investigation to date.

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Retirement of Case Agent. Synopsis:

Details: Due to the retirement of Case Agent, this and other listed files should be reassigned.

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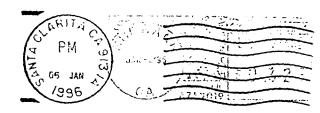
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The source stated that members of the media had access to tape recordings made by of both ASAC Temple and SA telling her this. Members of the media further knew that SAC Smith was to meet with Judy Pridget (phonetic), Sheriff of Saline County, on the afternoon of February 5, 1996. The source opined that SAC Smith and Sheriff Pridget may be confronted by the media at that time.

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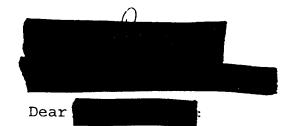
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Your May 21st correspondence to FBI Director Freeh was referred to me for reply. You commented about the contents of an article you read which allege the FBI was involved in a cover-up in the investigation into the deaths of the son of Mrs. Linda Ives and another young man.

This article has been brought to our attention previously, and a review conducted by the Special Agent in Charge of our Little Rock Office concluded that some remarks attributed to FBI employees were inaccurate or simply not true. One such statement indicates the FBI recommended an investigation of U.S. Attorney Charles Banks, which is not true. The investigation into the deaths of Mrs. Ives' son and Don Henry is still pending and is being coordinated with the U.S. Attorney's Office.

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Sincerely yours,

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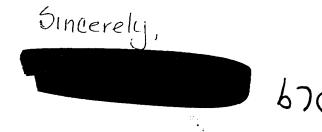
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Dear Director Freeh,

Enclosed please find a copy of a Wall Street Journal article regarding a mother's quest for justice.

The most alarming part of the article was, for me, the section in which an FBI cover-up was alleged. As an individual with a record of incorruptibility, Mr. Freeh, I am sure you will want to search for the truth in this matter.

I am most concerned and will be awaiting a resolution of this question. Thank you.



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The Lonely Crusade of Linda Ives

By MICAH MORRISON

ALEXANDER, Ark -Linda Ives appears to be a simple housewife-born in 1949, graduated from Little Rock's McClellan High School, and married to Larry Ives, an engineer on the Union Pacific railroad. But her tale is one of the most Ryzantine in all Arkansas, involving the murder of her son and his friend, allegations of airdropped drugs connected to the Mena, Ark., airport, a series of aborted investigations and, she believes, cover-ups by local, state and federal investigators.

The case started nine years ago, when Bill Clinton was governor of Arkansas. Today, with Mr. Clinton in the White House it is still rattling through the state, with one of the principal figures making bizarre headlines in the local press as recently as the last few weeks. Above all, the "train deaths" case opens a window into the seamy world of Arkansas drugs.

Just the Facts, Ma'am

The bare facts of the case are these: At 4:25 a.m. on Aug. 23, 1987, a northbound Union Pacific train ran over two teenagers, Kevin Ives and Don Henry, as they lay side by side, motionless on the tracks. Arkansas State Medical Examiner Fahmy Malak quickly ruled the deaths "accidental," saying the boys were "un-conscious and in deep sleep" due to smok-ing marijuana. "We didn't know anything about marijuana at the time." Mrs. Ives says. But when medical experts found the

explanation implausible, "we really began asking ques-tions." The families held a press conference challenging the ruling, which received wide publicity in Arkansas.

This in turn provoked an investigation by a local grand jury in Saline County. a largely rural area between Little Rock and Hot Springs. Ultimately the bodies were exhumed and another autopsy was performed by outside pathologists. They found that Don Henry had been stabbed in the back, and that Kevin Ives had been beaten with a rifle butt. In grand jury testimony, lead pathologist Joseph Burton of Atlanta said that the boys "were ei-ther incapacitated, knocked unconscious, possibly even killed, their bodies placed on the tracks and the train overran their bodies." In Septem-

ber 1988, the grand jury issued a report stating. "Our conclusions are that the case is definitely a homicide."

The teenagers told their parents they were going out for a night of deer hunting by spotlight. From the beginning allegations of a drug connection haunted the case. One police report filed seven months after the deaths reads, "Confidential Informant states that she has been told that the area the two boys died in is a drop zone for dope." The case soon became a local cause

Duffey says the reason she did not respond to Mr. Harmon's attacks was that the U.S. attorney's office was assuring her that his Indictment was Imminent, But in November 1990 the case supervisor, Assistant U.S. Attorney Robert Govar, was removed from the investigation and U.S. Attorney Banks took charge.

In June 1991, Mr. Banks announced that the investigation was over. "There's not going to be any pressing of indictment against Mr. Harmon or any other public official," he said. "We found no evidence of Barry Seal operated out of Mena, in western Arkansas. Although he was murdered 18 months before the death of the boys, reports of Mena-connected drug activities persisted for years.

Police records also show that one of the early investigators on the train deaths case was Arkansas State Police Officer L.D. Brown, a former security aide to Gov. Clinton who is now cooperating with Independent Counsel Kenneth Starr's Whitewater probe. He says that he was ordered off the train deaths case in 1988. "I was told

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any drug-related misconduct by public of .. ficials." Mr. Banks added that there would be no arrests in connection with the deaths of Kevin Ives and Don Henry.

The Clinton Administration Responds

Bill Clinton's gubernatorial administration assumed a role in the Ives and Henry case shortly after Dr. Malak's marijuanainduced accidental death ruling. Dr. Malak, an Egyptian-born physician appointed mer ical examiner during Mr. Clinton's first term, already had been buffeted by a number of controversial cases. With public pressure growing over botched tests and faulty handling of evidence in the train deaths affair, Gov. Clinton called in

Linda Ives

two out-of-state pathologists to review the work of the medical examiner and the state crime lab, where the autopsies had been conducted.

But when the Saline County grand jury probing the case attempted to subpoena the outside pathologists, Gov. Clinton balked. Betsey Wright, his chief of staff, submitted an affidavit saying she did not "know when the two pathologists will return to Little Rock" and that their contract with the state was to "make a job performance evaluait had something to do with Mena and I was to get off it," Mr. Brown said in a recent interview. The superior officer who gave him the order died of cancer in 1994.

Last July, in an interview with American Spectator editor R. Emmett Tyrrell, Mr. Brown claimed that he worked briefly for Barry Seal, and that when he informed Gov. Clinton of Mr. Seal's activities. Gov. Clinton told him that it was "Lasater's deal" and that he was not to worry about it. Dan Lasater is the Little Rock bond dealer and Clinton supporter arrested for cocaine distribution in 1986, in the same probe that netted Roger Clinton, the president's brother. While Mr. Lasater has received far less publicity than Hillary Clinton's financial transactions, veteran Arkansas observers have long viewed him as one of Mr. Clinton's most troubling connections. The new round of Senate Whitewater hearings reauthorized yesterday will provide a glimpse of Mr. Lasater, since the next stage of investigation will delve into some of his deals.

As Mr. Lasater was being charged with cocaine distribution in 1986, the DEA confirmed that he was the target of a drug trafficking probe involving his private plane and a small airstrip at the New Mexico resort, Angel Fire, which he had purchased in 1984. In the transcript of his interview with the FBI, Mr. Lasater identifies a police officer named Jay Campbell as an old friend. He also says that Mr. Campbell was a member of a DEA task force and had flown on his plane. Mr. Campbell-working a narcotics beat at the time for a nearby town's police force-was subpoenzed by the original Saline County grand jury and appears in police reports on the train deaths case.

Mr. Lasater could not be reached for comment. Mr. Campbell, now a lieutenant in a Pulaski County (Little Rock) narcotics unit, says that Mr. Lasater was only an "acquaintance" and that he was not a member of a DEA task force at the time. though he later served on several federal probes. He vigorously denies any involvement in the train deaths case and says he was "dragged into" the probe by a publicity-seeking Dan Harmon, then serving as special prosecutor for the Saline County grand ary.

went public with the charge that the was participating in a "cover-up" of controversial case.

The FBI has not responded to nume. requests for comment on its agents' versations with Mrs. Ives. In virtually only FBI comment on the case, I.C. Sn the Little Rock FBI chief, gave a brie terview to the local Benton Courie which he denied that his office was co ing anything up. He said that the mai: stacle was "the very real problem of termining whether federal jurisdic would apply." Mr. Smith also sugge that Agent Temple had been "misquo and would not have spoken in such a "c hearted manner" to Mrs. Ives.

Mrs. Ives sticks by her story, ridicules Mr. Smith's suggestion that risdiction might be at issue. "It's a fed corruption probe they've been working 18 months," she says. "It's ludicrous to lieve the FBI would work a case that I without knowing if they have jurisdiction

In a memo on the Benton Courier: cle sent to Mr. Smith (and also sent to Arkansas media outlets), Ms. Duffey: Mrs. Ives's account of the conversa was confirmed by Phyllis Cournan, other FBI agent in the room at time. Duffey's memo also says that in 1994 Cournan told her that the FBI had rec mended that Mr. Banks, the former 1 attorney, be charged with obstructing tice. Mr. Banks, now in private practic Little Rock, did not respond to requ for comment.

Meanwhile, Dan Harmon has as been making news in Arkansas. His wife, Holly DuVall, was arrested Nov after making a call from Mr. Harme phone to an undercover agent to bu small amount of methamphetam Eleven days earlier, she had made n when local police searched her rented dominium near Hot Springs at the n ager's request, following an altercat They found an empty cocaine evide package that should have been locked the safe at Mr. Harmon's drug task for federal investigators were soon visiti the condo and Mr. Harmon's office.

On March 18, Ms. Duffey went pub with charges against Mr. Harmon on a cal TV broadcast, "The Pat Lynch Show One newspaper, the Malvern Da Record, ran with the story, under t headline "Duffey alleges Harmon at sce of teens' murder." Four days later, A Harmon announced that he was a Demo ratic candidate in the primary for Sali

County sheriff.

The next day, he was arrested on felo kidnapping and aggravated assau charges after allegedly dragging Ms. I Vall from her car and taking her on a 1 mile-per-hour ride. After a few days in j. and a brief hunger strike, Mr. Harm held a press conference to deny kidna ping Ms. DuVall and denounce his arte as a "political" move to undermine him. regard to the train deaths allegations, N. Harmon says he plans to sue Ms. Duffe Mr. Lynch and the Malvern Daily Recor

célèbre. A Republican candidate for sheriff in heavily Democratic Saline county held a press conference by the railroad tracks where the two teenagers died, promised to crack down on "drug lords" operating in the area, and won an upset victory.

On taking office, however, the new sheriff passed the investigation along to Chuck Banks, U.S. attorney for the Eastern District of Arkansas during the Bush administration. Mr. Banks's office was probing allegations of drug-related corruption among Saline County officials. At the same time, another investigation was opened by Jean Duffey, a deputy prosecutor heading a newly created drug task force for the state's Seventh Judicial District. Drawing on interviews with area residents and informants, the task force developed a theory that the area was used as a site for drug drops by plane. "We had witnesses telling us about low-flying aircraft and informants testifying about drug pick-ups," Ms. Duffey recalled recently.

Ms. Duffey also says that her supervisor, outgoing Prosecuting Attorney Gary Arnold, gave her a strange order upon her new appointment. "He told me, 'You are not to use the drug task force to investigate any public officials.' At the time, I assumed it was because of the U.S. attorney's investigation. But as soon as my undercover agents hit the streets, they began linking public officials to drug dealing. So I began funneling that information to the

U.S. attorney's office."

Right months after taking the post of drug task force coordinator, Ms. Duffey was fired amid allegations of financial mismanagement, child abuse and official improprieties. The Arkansas State Police subsequently found no basis on which to charge her with mismanagement of task force funds and state welfare authorities cleared her of the abuse allegation. Ms. Duffey next received a subpoena that apparently would have forced her to reveal the identity of her informants—to some of the very people being probed for drug corruption, she claims. She chose to ignore the subpoena, she says, "rather than showing up in court and refusing to testify and being jailed for contempt. I feared for my safety in an Arkansas jail. Then the judge issued a felony arrest warrant-'failure to appear' usually is a low-level misdemeanor-and told the newspapers I was a fugitive. That's when I left the state."

Ms. Duffey attributes the "smear campaign" and subpoena that forced her from the state to Dan Harmon, who had won the Democratic nomination for prosecuting attorney for the Seventh Judicial District. While he did not take office until January 1991, he had considerable influence in 1990 because the Democratic nomination insured he would eventually gain the post. Interviewed this week, Mr. Harmon says that Ms. Duffey is a "crackpot" and that he was "planning to replace her when all hell

broke loose.

Ms. Duffey says that matters were a great deal more serious than a personal dispute between her and Mr. Harmon: "My agents were turning up information linking Mr. Harmon to drugs, that's what the real problem was." Mr. Harmon also was identified in leaked investigative documents as a "target" in the 1989-1991 U.S. attorney's drug-corruption probe, and Ms.

not to provide a second opinion on spe-ses." The grand jury responded by a subpoena to Ms. Wright herself on May 25, 1988, and the next day issued its initial ruling of "probable homicide" in need of further investigation.

Two months later, Gov. Clinton revived a long dormant state Medical Examiner Commission to handle the Malak controversy. The panel was headed up by the di-

rector of the Arkansas Department of

"You are not to use the drug task force to investigate any public officials."

Health, Joycelyn Elders. In January 1989, the Medical Examiner Commission ruled on the Malak case. There was "insufficient evidence at this time for dismissal" of Dr. Malak, Dr. Elders announced. Nine months later, Gov. Clinton introduced a bill to make the state more competitive in hiring forensic pathologists-by giving Dr. Malak a \$32,000 pay raise; the state Legislature later cut the raise by half. Ms. Wright says the salary was raised in anticipation of removing Dr. Malak and attracting a new medical examiner. Dr. Malak was eased out of his job and given a position as a Health Department consultant to Dr. Elders a month before Gov. Clinton announced his presidential run.

A Los Angeles Times report in May 1992 notes that Dr. Malak's other controversial cases included one involving Mr. Clinton's mother, nurse-anesthetist Virginia Kelley. It said Dr. Malak's 1981 ruling in the death of one nation! Mrs. Kelley was attending helped her "avoid legal scrutiny" in that death when she was already a defendant in a negligence suit in another patient's death. The suit was eventually settled by the hospital; Mrs. Kelley's hospital privi-leges were revoked in 1981 and she withdrew from practice.

Linda Ives has developed more sinister explanations for the Clinton administration's solicitude for Dr. Malak, charging that "high state and federal officials" have joined in an attempt to cover up the deaths of the boys and drug-related activities in Saline County. Taking allies where she can find them, she recently teamed up with California-based Jeremiah Films to produce a just-released videotape of her story. The company previously produced the notorious "Clinton Chronicles" videotape, but Mrs. Ives promises that she has "exercised full editorial-control" over the new tape, and says that portions of the proceeds will go to "a special Civil Justice Fund we've established to find a courageous lawyer and finance a wrongful death

Of course, Mrs. Ives's own perceptions are colored by a nine-year obsession with ner son's death. "I firmly believe my son and Don Henry were killed because they witnessed a drug drop by airplane connected to the Mena drug smuggling routes," Mrs. Ives says. "It's the only thing that could explain everything that has happened." It's well established that self-confessed cocaine smuggler and Drug Enforcement Administration informant

Dan Harmon and To .. One of the most c t and puzzling counterpoints in Link s's lonely crusade has been Mr. Harmon, today still prosecuting attorney for the Seventh Judicial District. Initially, he led the aggressive Saline County grand jury that had the bodies exhumed. He even worked on the case as a volunteer before requesting that the presiding judge appoint him special prosecutor to supervise investigation of the deaths. Mr. Harmon had previously served as an elected county prosecutor in 1978-1980, then declared bankruptcy and briefly decamped to California before returning to Arkansas and private practice. Mr. Harmon won his 1990 election as prosecuting attorney by capitalizing on publicity gained as special prosecutor in the train deaths, and has held the post ever since.

At the time of his election, Mr. Harmon was a suspect in the U.S. attorney's corruption probe. "Dan Harmon..," states a February 1990 U.S. Attorney's Office memorandum leaked to the Arkansas press, has been identified as a target in this investigation." One of the cocaine dealers targeted in the probe allegedly was connected to Mr. Harmon. The dealer, the memo says, "may have been involved, indirectly, in the murders of Kevin Ives and Don Henry." Mr. Harmon was cleared in June 1991 when U.S. Attorney Banks announced that he had found no evidence of drug-related misconduct by officials.

It appeared that the crusade was over. But in 1993, Mrs. Ives persuaded yet another new Saline County sheriff to reopen the train deaths probe. Detective John Brown was assigned the case. He says he was soon approached by a high ranking state official who told him "it would be best if I just left this thing alone." But Mr. Brown did not leave it alone. In fact, Mr. Brown says that he turned up a new witness in the case. According to Mr. Brown, the witness claims that he saw Mr. Har-mon on the tracks the night the boys were killed. Mr. Harmon dismisses the charge as "totally ridiculous."

But the new witness appears to have triggered an FBI probe. Mr. Brown says he was in the process of checking out the allegation when he mentioned it to a local FBI official who, much to Mr. Brown's surprise, immediately took the witness into protective custody and polygraphed him. The FBI then said they were taking over the case and wanted everything I had, Mr. Brown recalls.

Jean Duffey, the former drug task force head, says the FBI contacted her in March 1994-three years after she fled the statetelling her that a new investigation of the train deaths and official corruption was under way, and asking for her assistance. Linda Ives also says that after about 18 months of extensive contacts, the FBI broke off communication with her last August, shortly after a summary of the case was forwarded to current U.S. Attorney Paula Casey.

In November, Mrs. Ives had a final meeting with FBI officials. Apparently, the FBI was backing away from the case, particularly the second autopsy. At the November meeting, Mrs. Ives says, "[FBI agent; Bill Temple told me, 'It's time for you to realize a crime has never been committed." Mrs. Ives and Ms. Duffey then

In mid-January the state cut off funding for Mr. Harmon's drug task force, and o Jan. 28 the Arkansas Democrat-Gazette to ported that "Federal investigators are sai, to be building a racketeering case again: people associated with the now-defund Seventh Judicial District Drug Tas Force." Arkansas State Police official confirm that a corruption probe is unde way. Mr. Harmon is not worried. "Nobod has questioned me," he says. "Nobody ha informed me I'm a target. It's all just le nuendo in the local press."

The results of any continuing federa investigation touching on the Ives and Henry deaths will be presented to Mi Banks's successor as U.S. attorney for the Rastern District. So Linda Ives' crusade will end up in the hands of Ms. Casey, the longtime Clinton ally and campaigi worker who recused herself from White water cases only after making several cru cial decisions. President Clinton appointed her U.S. attorney in Little Rock in Augus 1993, shortly after his unprecedented de mand for the immediate resignation of al sitting U.S. attorneys. Mrs. Ives says she Is not optimistic about Ms. Casey. "Bu then," she adds, "it's not like I'm going to go away, either."

Mr. Morrison is a Journal editorial page

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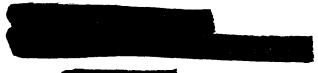
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Pridgen challenges Brown on deaths of Ives, Henry

By JERRY BREEDEN Courier Staff Writer

Sheriff Judy Pridgen today challenged Alexander Police Chief John Brown "to bring in the proof that he says he has to solve" the deaths exactly nine years ago tomorrow of two Bryant boys, Kevin Ives and Don Henry.

Ives was 17 and Henry was 16 on Aug. 23, 1987, when their bodies were found on a railroad track near Alexander.

The widely publicized and controversial deaths remain unsolved.

Brown "has made it a point to state several times publicly — and even on a video tape made concerning the case that he has solved it," Pridgen

"If that is true, then he has a duty to the parents of both of these boys, not only as a law enforcement officer but also as

a citizen of Saline County, to bring his information in so it can be turned over to the State Police.

"So as not to compromise the information he says he has," Pridgen said, "we can take it to state police headquarters together.'

In response, Brown today said he thinks "it's wonderful that she finally wants to get to the bottom of it.

"That information — and she already has part of it has been turned over to the FBI," Brown said, adding: "I spoke with the FBI recently and, at this point I am waiting to have a meeting scheduled with federal authorities concerning the case. That is all I can say at this point."

Until today, Pridgen had been on the defensive in a sheriff's office election campaign

that will end with the general election Nov. 5.

Pridgen, a Democrat, has accused Brown of using the sheriff's office Act 309 program as a political football.

Brown, a Republican, denies

the ties to politics. "If it is political," he said, "she has made it that way."

"I hate it that she has gotten caught with her pants down, but as she said, she is going to have to live with it."

Brown denied he has been the source of information used in recent articles about the program in the Democrat-Gazette and The Benton Courier.

Linda Ives, mother of one of the youths, said she thinks "it's very curious she (Pridgen) would bring it up.

"My position is," she said, "we're not going to share any information with her, because of certain ties she has. As for John coming forward, we did that in 1993, but nothing but a continued coverup has resulted. She's had four years to do (Indicate page, name of Page 1 newspaper, city and state.)

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something with the case and hasn't, and hasn't even had it assigned to an officer since John Brown worked there."

Brown was an investigator with the sheriff's office during

Pridgen's first term.

Pridgen disputed Ives' statement. "With all due respect to Linda Ives," the sheriff said, "the case was assigned to Lt. (Jim) Andrews when he came here last October as head of our Criminal Investigation Division.

"Before that, it was assigned to Andrews' predecessor, John McCown, who retired about the same time Andrews joined our department," Pridgen said.

"The case surrounding the deaths of these two boys has not been closed by this department," she added.

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Ives schedules press conference

Angered over what she sees as a campaign stunt using her son's death, Linda Ives said today she plans to hold a news conference at 3 p.m. in front of the sheriff's office at the Saline County Courthouse.

Today marks the ninth anniversary of her son's death.

Kevin Ives was 17 when he was murdered near Alexander with friend 16-year-old Don's Henry on Aug. 23, 1987.

Thursday, in a Benton Courier news story, Saline County Sheriff Judy Pridgen challenged Alexander Police Chief John H. Brown to come forward with the evidence he has said is in his possession that solves the Ives-Henry case.

Brown is Pridgen's opponent in the Saline County sheriff's race.

Ives said she believes Pridgen is using the case as a political tool against Brown.



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Every day is a struggle watching helplessly as the killers of my son walk our streets, thumbing their noses at the law and making a mockery of the legal system Today is even more difficult because it is the anniversary of Kevin's murder. It has been nine long and excruciating years since the murders, yet it still feels, like yesterday.

I usually spend this day alone at the cemetery talking to Kevin But after Sheriff Pridgen's remarks to the Courier yesterday, I felt it was more important that I speak for him instead of to him.

I am angry and disgusted with Sheriff Pridgen for making Kevin and Don's murder a political issue in her campaign for sheriff. Politics is the reason it took years to solve Kevin and Don's murders and, now, politics is the reason the killers have not been arrested and prosecuted, I believe Judy's remarks were a desperate attempt to divert media attention away from her own political problems.

Yesterday Judy publicly "challenged" John Brown, her opponent in the sheriff's race, to bring whatever information he had on the case to her. In fact, she stated he had a duty as a law officer and a citizen of Saline County to do this. Then, so that the information would not be compromised, she offered to accompany Brown to State Police Headquarters with the information. I think it is very curious and telling that Judy now wants to take the information to the Arkansas State Police. Everyone in Saline County is well aware of the ASP's record of "getting to the bottom" of things in Saline County. It doesn't take a brain scientist to figure out that certain investigators in the state police have helped Dan Harmon and his cronies cover their crimes for years.

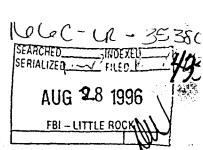
Judy also knows that she and John Brown both "came forward" in 1993 when an eyewitness provided information placing Dan Harmon and others on the tracks with Kevin and Don the night they were murdered. She also knows that this witness passed an FBI polygraph test and that there are at least two other corroborating witnesses. She and John were instructed at that time to turn over to the FBI any and all evidence they had in the case, which they did. My question to Judy, is, what kind of political game are you playing and at whose expense? Judy pulled John Brown off of the case in 1994 and he quit his job over it. Although he has no officials authority in the case, he has continued to forward information he gathers on the case to the FBI. What has Judy done as sheriff of Saline County on the case the last two years? She claims she has assigned it to other investigators. I challenge Judy to produce proof that her office has done anything since 1994.

There have been 7 separate investigations into Kevin and Don's murders,

- 1. Jim Steed and Rick Elmendorf's investigation;
- 2. Dan Harmon and Richard Garrett's grand jury investigation;
- 3. The ASP investigation;
- 4. Jean Duffey's drug task force investigation;
- 5. Bob Govar's federal grand Jury investigation;
- 6. John Brown's investigation;

7. FBI investigation. 67C





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Some of these investigations were nowhere because the investigators and the killers were one and the same.

Some of these investigations were shut down and the investigators discredited when they linked law enforcement and public Officials to the murders and a large drug smuggling operation.

And none of them resulted in arrests because the killers have powerful ties and connections, and therefore, protection.

The FBI knows who murdered Kevin and Don and they know why they were murdered, but they too have buckled to the powerful political pressure. They now claim that a crime was never committed. Obviously, Kevin and Don's killers murder with immunity.

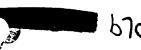
I'm tired of the political games that are played by officials and the media at my expense. With the exception of the Malvern Daily Record and Pat Lynch, the media has played a huge role in perpetuating the cover-up of Kevin and Don's murder. Instead of examining and reporting the facts, they stick their heads in the sand and label anyone who tries to expose the corruption as conspiracy nuts. A perfect example is the Wall Street Journal. After investigating the case for over a year, on April 18, 1996 they printed a long and detailed article about the case A couple of days later, without examining any of the facts themselves, the Democrat Gazette slammed the WSJ article and the paper itself.

I want to challenge the Arkansas media to take their heads out of the sand and do their job Report the facts. Help us hold our officials accountable for their actions and inactions. Politics have no place in a murder investigation.

Linda Ives

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New prosecutor plans several

The newly elected prosecut-Courier Staff Writer BY LYNDA HOLLENBECK

office after he assumes that cial District said Friday that ing attorney for the 7th Judipost in January. he plans to make several changes in the prosecutor's

Regardless of the changes

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who were struck by a Union Ives, 17, and Don Henry, 16, mon alluded to were Bryant High School seniors Kevin personal matter. The murdered boys Har-

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Pacific train Aug. 23, 1987, as they lay on a track near the Shobe Road crossing in Saline County. Dr. Fahmy Malak ruled the deaths accidental and never wavered from that stance in epite of a county grand jury that rejected his ruling following secand autopsies performed by an out-of-state forensic pathologist.

During a previous term when Harmon served as prosecutor, he never lost a jury trial in any of the district's counties, nor did he have a backlog of cases, Har-

mon said.

"There's a reason for that," he explained. We stayed involved in the case from the day it was reported all the way through. Sometimes you have to work hights and weekends ... but you have to follow up on leads and stay with the case, not just start working on it a day or two before the trial.

"If the prosecutor is aggressive and stays with the case, there's no reason to ever lose a

jury trial," he added.

His chief goal will be to prosecute cases swiftly. "If we could go on computer ... trial dates and omnibus hearings could be set at plea and arraignment time," he said.

"Unless there is some significant evidence that takes a particularly long time to develop, I hope to try every person charged within 60-90 days," Harmon said. "No one will be sitting in jail 6 months to a year like they

have been doing.

His first task as prosecutor will be to "sit down with all the cases and go through them to see which ones will have to be dismissed because they have already exceeded the speedy trial law. I think there are over 1,000 cases pending now.

Arkansas law states that a person charged with a crime must be tried within one year. xcept when defense motions would delay the proceedings.

Harmon hopes to have trials taking place simultaneously at the main courthouse and at the courthouse annex on Edison Avenue. "We now have Judge (John) Cole and Judge (Phillip) Shirron to hear cases; so I can be trying some while the chief deputy tries others ... it might be inconvenient on some jurors or attorneys, but I think we have an obligation to try as many as we can, as quickly as we can."

His plans call for the prosecuting attorney's office to "get back to serving the people. If. there 's a problem of someone being ripped off, or injured, or someone selling drugs to children, we'll try to put a stop to it.".

Harmon intends to cooperate with whoever is elected sheriff in November. We'll work together with anyone in law enforcement who wants to serve the people. It's very frustrating to a law enforcement officer to build cases and not see them prosecuted ... we plan to help them as much as we can. 🗓 🤃

The reason for law enforcement is to help people with their problems," he added. "Officers shouldn't be there to throw their. weight around, to show their authority ... but in the process of helping people with their problems, you have to lock up a few.":

Harmon is eager for Jan. 1 to arrive. I had a burning desire to run for this office, a burning desire to win and even more of a 'desire to serve," he said. "I think' I can straighten out a lot of

problems."

in The prosecutor has the option of choosing deputies in the district's three-county area, subject. to approval of the circuit court. Harmon said he does not plan to re-appoint the current deputy prosecutor, Jean Duffy, Instead, his choices for Saline County are Paul K. "Pete" Lancaster for chief deputy and Richard Garrett and Mike Robinson as the county's other deputies.

"I'd like for Pete and Richard to be full-time and hope that Mike can be part-time," Harmon said. Robinson is a recent graduate of the University of Arkansas Law School and must first pass the bar examination before he can be appointed; however, he is scheduled to take that test in time to be eligible for the job, Harmon said.

The prosecutor-elect has not made a decision about deputies in Grant or Hot Spring counties, he said.

Harmon said additional personnel is needed in the office and his goal is to hire an office manager who has legal or law enfrocement experience. "My first choice for that job when she retires is Judy Pridgen (Benton police lieutenant) if she would take it," Harmon said. Pridgen will have worked at the police department 20 years in September 1991 and has said she plans to retire from the department at that time.

Judy would be great at the job," Harmon added. "We'd: make out in the meantime sothe way if she would consider taking it at that time."

An investigator will be needed, but Harmon said he doubts if he will continue the victim/witness coordinator prugram; now under the supervision of Jan Hall. He does not believe the program is effective.

A Saline County native, Harmon is a 1962 graduate of Benton! High School and earned bachelor and law degrees at the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville. He served a two-year stint with the Army following high school graduation.

He has a son, Zac, 3; two adult daughters, Tami Dawson of Benton and Terri Harmon a teacher with the Flipping School District; and a grandson, Daniel Dawson, 5.

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Jazem Benton Bureau

AENTON — Benton police illegally pro-rided state crime computer information to Henton attorney Dan Harmon last month, Arkansas Crime Information Center offirials said Monday.

larmon, Democratic nominee for 7th Judi-ial District prosecutor, with information om Harmon's driving records, said Steve Benton police Lt. Judy Pridgen provided hnson, information services agent for the

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The check revealed that Mississippi and Arkansas authorities had suspended his new car. pended. He wanted an up-to-the minute report for the company that was insuring a

from the Department of Rovenue, but tried to circumvent red tape by getting it from Benton police. two speeding tickets. He could have received the information

driver's license after Harmon failed to pay

ACIC records." Johnson seid. "An individual is not entitled to see the

Johnson also noted Pridgen could have talk with the l been charged with a felony for providing mendorf said. Harmon with the information. "We ran the

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puter nelwork. Department its link to the state crime com-It also could have cost the Benton Police

position, Johnson said. As an attorney, a former prosecutor and special prosecutor, Harmon should have known the law and not put Pridgen and the Benton Police Department in a precarious

check request in person, said Police Chief Rick Elmendorf. "We confirmed it was sus-pended by telephone and told Harmon to Harmon didn't make his driver's license

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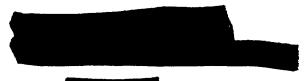
Johnson was satisfied with Elmendorf El explanation and assurance that a simila it dropped.

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Dear'

Congressman Bass asked that the FBI respond directly to you about the contents of an article you read which allege, among other things, that the FBI was involved in a cover-up in the investigation into the deaths of the son of Mrs. Linda Ives and another young man.

This article has been brought to our attention previously, and a review conducted by the Special Agent in Charge of our Little Rock Office concluded that some remarks attributed to FBI employees were inaccurate or simply not true. One such statement indicates the FBI recommended an investigation of U.S. Attorney Charles Banks, which is not true. The investigation into the deaths of Mrs. Ives' son and Don Henry is still pending and is being coordinated with the U.S. Attorney's Office.

While I would like to be more responsive, it is a longstanding Department of Justice and FBI policy not to comment on pending cases. This policy exists to protect the rights of all parties involved and to prevent any impact on any criminal charges which might result. I hope you appreciate our inability to comment further.

Sincerely yours,

John E. Collingwood Inspector in Charge Office of Public and Congressional Affairs

By: Margaret R. Owens Unit Chief

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Congress of the United States House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515-2902

October 21, 1996

The Honorable Louis J. Freeh Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation Ninth Street and Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20535

Dear Director Freeh:

I am forwarding you a letter from the second one of my constituents from New Hampshire. Her letter concerns allegations that homicides committed nine years ago are related to drug crimes implicating public officials.

I believe concerns merit attention. As this matter is under the jurisdiction of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, I am presenting these concerns for you review and consideration. I would appreciate a response sent to my office and to directly.

Thank you for your time. Please let me know if I can be of any assistance.

Sincerely,

Charles F. Bass

Member of Congress

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The Honorable Charles Bass Congress of the United States House of Representatives New Hampshire Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Bass:

This letter is in reference to an article in 'The Wall Street Journal' on Thursday April 18, 1996 titled 'The Lonely Crusade of Linda Ives'. I have enclosed a copy of the article in case you are unaware of it.

Shouldn't we be hearing something on the national news if the allegations in this article are well grounded? Or do the editorials in the 'Wall Street Journal' have as much validity as a sensational newspaper?

Will Dan Harmon's connection with drugs and possible lineage with the deaths of Kevin Ives and Don Henry be investigated as the Whitewater investigation continues, or will this need to be a separate federal investigation? Will the obstruction to justice allegations stay at a state level in Arkansas and continue to get nowhere?

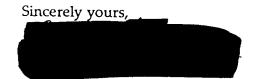
What about the FBI dropping the case after 18 months when it was forwarded to U.S. Attorney Paula Casey? Is there a connection or not?

If the deaths of Kevin Ives and Don Henry were homicides, what federal U.S. attorney will investigate the case who has not been appointed by President Clinton?

Is this a bogus parisian article, or is there a need for us to be greatly alarmed that a possible homicide of two teenagers occurred 9 years ago and is related to drug crimes implicating public officials? It appears nothing has been legally finished in 9 years to find out who all is involved and to what extent. Plus, there are many names mentioned in the article who may have tried to obstruct justice (President Clinton, Joycelyn Elders, Chuck Banks)?

Maybe I'm an alarmist, but the article reminds me of the connection between public officials and the drug world within Panama and Columbia.

I certainly would appreciate your help in telling me what you plan to do to determine if this editorial might be accurate.



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The Locely Crusade of Lind Ives

By MICAH MOMERSON

ALEXANDER, Ark.—Linda Ives are as the a simple housewife—born in 1989, graduated from Little ROC's MCCall.

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explanation implausible. "we really began asking questions." The families held a press conference challenging the rating, which received water publicity in Arkansas.

This in turn provided an investigation by a local grand jury in Sainte County, a largely natural area between Luttle Rock and 160 Springs. Ultimately the bodies were chunted and another autopsy was performed by our commander the books were chunned and another autopay was performed by out-side pathologists. They found that Don Henry had been stabbed in the lack, and that kevin I less had been beaten with a rithe back, in the lack and that kevin I less had been beaten with a rithe back, and that kevin I less heat. In grand pix textimons, lead palliole, cost loss phi time no distinct of that the less' were chosen mades to the less passed on the tracks and the train over-an their beliefs. In September 1985, the grand jury issued a report staing. Our conclusions are that the case is definitely a honicide.

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On taking office, however, the new shortif passed the investigation along to Chuck Banks. U.S. attorney for the East-crit Discrete of Arkansas during the Bush administration. Mr. Banks's office was proving allegations of drug-related corruption among Saline County officials. At the same time, another investigation was executed by Jean Duffey, a deputy prosecution mosting a newly created drug task force for the state's Seventh Judicial Distract. Drawing on interviewes with area residents and milorimonis, the task force developed a theory that the area was used as a size feet drug drops by plane. "We lead writnesses feeting us about four-flying amortimesses."

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But when the Saline County grand jury probing the case attempted to subpoen a the counts by pathologists, Gov. Clinton balked. Hetsive Wright, his shelf of staff, submitted an affidavit saying she did not "know wheat he two pathologists will return to Little Rock" and that their contract with the state was 10 make a job performance evaluation, not to provide a second opinion on specific cases. The grand jury repionede by issuing a subpoens to Ms. Wright herself entitle language of "probable for Justicel Inneed of further investigation.

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BY JERRY BREEDEN Courier Staff Writer

Alexander Police Chie John Brown Republican can didate for Saline County sher iff, responded today to allega trons he mishandled a double murder committed snine years

The allegations were made Friday thy Curtis Henry, father of one of the victims in the case Brown's response fol-lows

"I was forewarned two

weeks ago (of Henry's plans to come forth) by an Act 309 inmate incarcerated at the Saline County Jail

This inmate said that Ms. Pridgen solicited Mr. Henry to appear at The Benton Courier. on Thursday or Friday before theisheriffs election with negative comments about me.

The 309 prisoners aled these alegations were designed to teach me a lesson

about running for office

Myresignation from the Saline Colinty Sheriff's Office on Augy 15 1, 994, was the direct result of Ms. Bridgen ordering the Henry and Ive

about losing contact with me in late 1993. During our last meeting, Mr. Henry heard part of a taped confession by one of the persons involved in the murders."

U.S. Attorney Paula Casey, contacted at her Little Rock

office today, was asked if she was aware of the confession to which Brown refers.

"I think that, under the circumstances, the best thing for me to say for now is 'no comment'," Casey said.

Brown's response continues:

"Until now I have avoided talking about this confession at

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"Because of the magnitude and suspects named in this confession, it was impossible to pursue this case at the state level.

"Unfortunately, Mr. Henry contacted another suspect (who was a prominent Saline County

resident) and informed him of resident) and informed him of being named in this confession.

Ms. Pridgent and it discussed the matter, and it was decided to immediately, cease contact with Mr. Henry That decision was reinforced by EBI agent phyllis Cournan two was assigned to the case. These allegations made increalize a

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that no one has informed Mr. Henry that this confession and the evidence I gathered while working on this case for 18 months corroborated FBI intelligence files. This evidence is what initiated the FBI investigation. 💥

"It appears Mr. Henry has not been informed and has been kept in the dark. As a law enforcement officer I have been challenged by Ms. Pridgen to bring forward certain information which the sheriff has

copies of, but would not acknowledge publicly. This confession is only one piece of that information.

"As a father, I can only Imagine the loss that both the Henry and Ives families have endured for the last nine years. I understand this case is now pending at the federal level awaiting a judicial decision I pray the Henry and Ives family · lies will soon know the truth so that justice will prevail.

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Father of murdered boy speaks out against Brown

By JERRY BREEDEN Courier Staff Writer

Declaring that his motives are personal and not political, the father of one of two teenage Bryant boys murdered in 1987 says "Saline County has some major problems in store" if Republican candidate John H. Brown is elected sheriff on Tuesday.

Brown, who is chief of police at Alexander, is challenging Democratic incumbent Judy Pridgen in her bid for a third consecutive term.

Brown's handling of the 9year-old unsolved slayings of Kevin Ives and Don Henry drew criticism Friday from Henry's father, Curtis Henry, now of Magnolia.

"When he (Brown) was investigating this case," Henry told The Benton Courier, "several times — not just once — he called me and told me had it solved, that he just had to get the warrants signed and

that he would get back with me as soon as he did that. He never did.

"How do you think this makes the parents of a child who has been murdered feel?" Henry posed.

"We have had our hopes built up so many times that I have to wonder how low some

people will go to further themselves on the disregarded feelings of the real victims in this case.

"If John Brown handles all investigations the way he handled the one of my son's death," Henry continued, "Saline County has some major problems in store if he's elected."

Reminded that he has spoken to the press only rarely about the case, Henry was asked if his motives this time were political.

"Absolutely not," he said. "I don't even vote in this county. I have no political ties in Saline County." My motives are personal as they relate only to the

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investigation."

He said his relatives in the area "keep me up on the local news from time to time and we do have television in Magnolia.

"I'm just fed up with people using my son's death for political and financial gain," he said.

Asked if he had heen contacted and asked to come forward by Pridgen of any of her campaign workers Henry was equally emphatic ting his response to acre

"No," he said. "I called her and told her what I was thinking about doing and all she said was that she gives sed I had to do what was right in my

had to do what was right in my own mind

When contacted Pridgen confirmed Henry's statement.

"I-never encouraged him to speak up and no I dish t discourage him, either, she said "Who can deny that he prop-

"Who can deny that he probably has more of a right to speak out about the investiga

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tion than anyone else involved?" she offered.

The bodies of Kevin Ives and Don Henry, then 17 and 16 respectively, were found run over by a Union Pacific train on the tracks close to Shobe Road near Alexander on Aug. 23, 1987.

987. The time, Dr. Fahmy Malak, who was state medical examiners ruled the deaths were accidental, adding that he believed the boys had fallen asleep on the tracks after smoking excessive amounts of

marijuana. Malak also testified under oath during subsequent Saline County grand hearings that neither boy had been shot! beaten or stabled prior to the

train hitting them.

However, several outside medical experts testified that marijuana does not induce unconsciousness. And one forensic_pathologist, Dr. Joe-Burton of Atlanta, Ga., swore. that Henry had been stabbed in the back and that Ives had suffered a facial beating all prior. to the train incident.

ii Malak's controversial verdict was overturned by the grand jury and the deaths were ruled a double homicide.

Throughout the grand jury proceedings, then deputy prosecutor Richard Garrett and special deputy prosecutor Dan Harmon publicly, stated that the Ives-Henry deaths were linked to drug trafficking in Saline County.

The grand jury did not return any indictments relatedy: to the murders. No officialcharges have been filed to date The names of many suspects have surfaced over the years.

Curtis Henry noted.

He said he has his own sus picions, but refused to discus them for publication.

"Even I have been accused of: doing it (killing the boys) Henry said. "Even some of the officials involved in the investigation gation - like Dan Harmon have been accused of it.

"Some people have even pointed fingers of blame at the White House," Henry said. "It's gotten totally away from logic. There's no way Dan Harmon had anything to do with it; he and Richard Garrett both worked their butts off trying to solve it.

"It looks to me like if you" don't have any proof, you ought

5.443.742. to just keep your mouth shut and let the real professional investigators handle it. he added. S. S.

"I think if we spent less time criticizing what they re trying to do, we'd all be better off, he said.

Henry was lasked about repeated allegations of a coverup that has beer a mored to i include flawmen at all levels; including the Federal Bureaug of Investigation: ordered mem

"There's never been a coverup," he said "There has been a mess-up right from the start, because it was first handled as an accident quoo reamen O.I.H.

for the FBI," Henry added. "They have spent, a lot of manhours and money looking into it." s

Henry said the attention given the case by the media has been "so extensive, I don't see how any part of it could have been covered up.

"In fact, probably every little der. I known to the authorities has been made public at one time or another by the media." Henry said.

He said he sees that as "one of the biggest problems; the authorities have no ace in the hole they need to soring on a suspect or suspects, if they everdo arrest someone."

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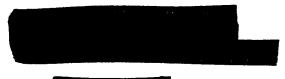
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10825 Financial Centre Pkwy., #200 Little Rock, Arkansas 72211 January 2, 1997



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Dear

Thank you for your letter of December 12, 1996, and your interest in the ongoing investigations in Saline County, Arkansas.

I am, of course, familiar with Ms. Jean Duffey, but do not share her pessimism as related to the prospects of future prosecution in that area. Contrary to statements made, this office has not closed its investigation into the deaths of Kevin Ives and Don Henry. While I am not at liberty to divulge the details of ongoing investigations, please be assured this office in indeed aggressively pursuing the investigation of former prosecutor Dan Harmon and the drug task force in that area. also of the firm belief the United States Attorney's Office is committed to any prosecution as well.' In fact, I had an discussion this morning with an Assistant United State Attorney about the timetable for future indictments. As you can imagine, it is exceedingly important that this historical investigation proceed in a manner than ensures all details are explored, and we are absolutely certain of our evidence. This takes time and I, too, have expressed frustration we have not been able to bring these matters to some conclusion.

Again thank you for your interest in justice, and I can only simply advise you to "stay tuned" - I think you will like the results.

Sincerely yours,

Ivian CW8mith Special Agent in Charge FBI, State of Arkansas

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It's 1990 All Over Again

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Dan Harmon, Saline County's most notorious public figure, is getting media attention for assaulting his ex-wife. He is arrested, and a check of his record shows that he has been driving on suspended driver's license stemming from a violation out of another county. The ball is passed to an appointed prosecutor who delays making a decision on whether or not to file charges. Harmon's ex-wife later recants and nothing significant happens to Harmon. Editorials reflect the public's frustration with the maneuvers that protect Harmon's political position.

The U.S. Attorney's office is reviewing evidence that several Saline County officials are involved in serious illegal activities involving drugs. The investigation drags on for months, but the newspapers suggest there is a significant amount of evidence piling up. Dan Harmon is a specific target of the feds and there is a great deal of speculation about impending indictments that the U.S. Attorney attempts to down-play.

Linda Ives is encouraged that a local newspaper reported my claim of a connection between the murders of Kevin and Don and Saline County public officials involved in drug trafficking. It is apparent from the article I have valuable and credible information.

By the way, what year is this - 1990 or 1996? Take your pick. There's no recognizable difference. The occurrences of this year look painfully familiar - it's 1990 all over again. That certainly makes it easy to predict what will happen in 1997. The plain, clear, simple truth is - nothing. Nothing will happen. There will be no indictments of any public official. In fact, Paula Casey will hold a news conference in about six months to announce that there was no credible evidence of any wrong doing of any public official in Saline County. She will then go on to specifically clear Dan Harmon and all the members of his family.

How do I know? Do I sound unnecessarily sarcastic? Judge for yourself. Below are excerpts and summaries of just a few of the newspaper articles from the years I have mentioned. It literally looks like the players of 1996 read the script from 1990. Prepare to be amazed by a quintessence of the adage, "truth is stranger than fiction."

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Benton Courier - Dec. 13, 1990 - Links between Malvern Daily Record - Mar. 20, 1996 - According a federal grand jury investigation into Saline County drug trafficking and the corruption of public officials and the 1988 investigation into the deaths of two Saline County teen-agers have only begun to surface, according to Scott Lewellen, who resigned from the 7th Judicial District Drug Task Force in protest of Jean Duffey being fired as administrator.

to former drug task force administrator, Jean Duffey, an eyewitness came forward in December, 1993, who places Dan Harmon on the tracks with Kevin Ives and Don Henry the night they were murdered. The witness passed a polygraph test and prompted the FBI to begin an investigation. Duffey alleges a cover-up of the murders is to protect a drug smuggling operation

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| Arkansas Gazette - June 28, 1991 - U.S. Attorney Chuck Banks announced earlier in the day that Harmon, his family, and all Saline County public officials have been cleared of allegation of drug-related public misconduct and all other forms of wrong-doing. | ? | |

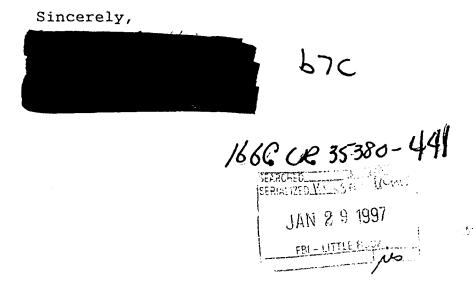
Mr. Ivian C. Smith Special Agent in Charge Federal Bureau of Investigation Suite 200, Two Financial Centre 10825 Financial Centre Parkway Little Rock, AR 72211-3552

Dear Mr. Smith,

I am writing you concerning the 1987, deaths of Kevin Ives and Don Henry. After reading the April 18, 1996, Wall Street Journal article by Micah Morrison "The Lonely Crusade of Linda Ives", I became interested in this case because some parts of the story followed similar stories that my daughter had heard when she attended UALR in 1991. My further research has convinced me that there is a crisis level of criminal activity in the State of Arkansas centering around Saline County and extending well into Little Rock. The numerous investigations that have been stopped by local, state and federal authorities seems to follow a chilling script, which is frightening to citizens of neighboring states and the country as a whole.

I urge you to push for an aggressive investigation and prosecution of those parties involved in the murders, drugs and cover-up. The FBI was established as the citizen's last line of defense against this type of corruption and racketeering in all levels of our government. Without it, we as citizens will fall victim to the manipulation and terror of well financed criminal conspiracies similar to those in Arkansas. Failure to stop this type of corruption will only further erode confidence in our legal system which has already taken far too many hits.

I thank you for your time and I pray that through your efforts justice will be served.



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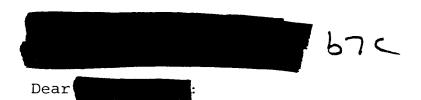
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10825 Financial Centre Pkwy, #200 Little Rock, AR 72211 January 30, 1997



Thank you for your letter of January 25th and your stated concerns for the criminal activity in, and around, Saline County, Arkansas, and in particular, the deaths of Kevin Ives and Don Henry.

As you are likely aware, we are not at liberty to indulge the status of ongoing investigations. However, I will advise you there have been considerable misrepresentations relating to our investigations. For instance, the investigation of the deaths of Kevin Ives and Don Henry is still pending in our office. I can also assure you this office, and the United States Attorney's Office, is still conducting a thorough and aggressive investigation relating to Saline County. There have been some recent developments that reveal we are indeed indicative of this effort.

I do appreciate your concern and I would ask that you continue to monitor the results of our investigations. I think you will be pleased with what we are doing.

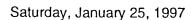
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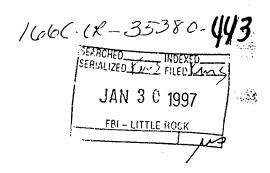
I.C. Smith Arkansas Special Agent in Charge Federal Bureau of Investigation Suite 200, Two Financial Centre 10825 Financial Centre Parkway Little Rock, AR 72211-3552

Dear Mr. Smith:

It was truly gracious of you to take the time to provide me a most encouraging and personal reply to my letter of inquiry regarding the investigations in Saline County. I am continuing to monitor affairs of these efforts as closely as I can from the somewhat limited vantage point of upstate New York. As such, it is conceivable that positive actions on the part of your office might easily escape my notice. If it is at all possible to be kept appraised from time to time of your progress, without causing undue burden upon your resources nor interfering in your efforts, I – together with certain dear friends – would be truly grateful.

All the best to you as you progress along the case. My prayers for genuine justice to be served go with all.





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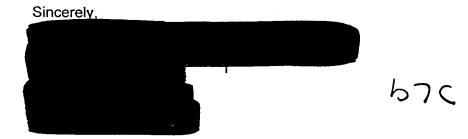
Dear Mr. Smith:

I would like to add my voice to the growing number of citizens concerned with the obstruction of justice as regards the investigation into the "Train Deaths" in Saline County.

I've read the disquieting narrative of Jean Duffey entitled, *It's 1990 All Over Again*. I agree with her that Dan Harmon leads a charmed life of political protection. I've seen the video, *Obstruction of Justice* and have searched the World Wide Web and reviewed the various documents and narratives concerning the case.

Not only for the Ives family but for countless others who look with hopeful expectation for justice to at long last be served, I add my plea that those responsible for the deaths of Kevin Ives and Don Henry be brought to account. And let it begin with Dan Harmon.

My voice, together with many others, will continue to speak for those who have been silenced through murder and treachery.

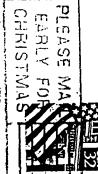


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and reputations are cleared. I hope you will Not cease until all those quilty will pay their just dues to the fullest.

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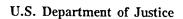




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Thank you for your letter of April 20 regarding our investigations in Arkansas.

As you are aware, we cannot discuss ongoing investigations. Invariably premature discussions of matters under investigation have a negative impact and, further, considerations must be given to the effect said disclosures may have on those under investigation.

But I can assure you we will continue to vigorously pursue any allegations of criminality falling under our jurisdiction. In the absence of such jurisdiction, we are committed to working with other agencies with jurisdiction to ensure any allegation is thoroughly investigated.

I am appreciative of your kind words and continued interest in events in Arkansas. Please stay tuned - I believe you will be pleased with what you hear.

Sincerely yours,

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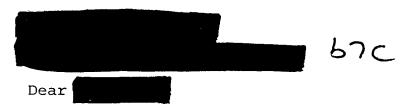
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10825 Financial Centre Pkwy, #200 Little Rock, AR 72211 April 29, 1997



Thank you for your note of April 22.

As you are aware, we are unable to discuss details of any ongoing investigation, but I do appreciate your voice of encouragement. You may be assured this office will continue to pursue any credible allegations of criminality falling within our jurisdiction.

Again, thank you for your kind letter.

Sincerely yours,

Ivian C. Smith Special Agent in Charge FBI, State of Arkansas

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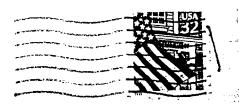
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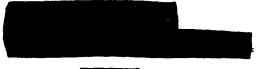
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10825 Financial Centre Pkwy, #200 Little Rock, AR 72211 May 21, 1997



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Dear :

Thank you for your kind card and words of encouragement.

We are committed to pursuing any investigation falling within the parameters of our jurisdiction and with credible indications of criminality. Words of support from citizens such as yourself are greatly appreciated.

Please keep in touch with our efforts in Arkansas - I believe you will be pleased with our efforts here.

Sincerely yours,

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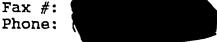
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Best wishes to you all, Jean Duffey

If anyone can locate an e-mail address on Smith or Freeh, please share it with us.

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Mr. I. C. Smith

From:



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Date:

July 3, 1997

Dear Mr. Smith,

Thank you for taking the time to call me in response to the fax I sent you yesterday. Your concern for the Ives case was evident in our conversation. I believe you are and will continue to earnestly pursue the case to the best of your abilities.

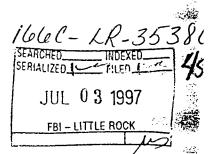
I admit my earlier fax did, as you said, "...border on defamation." After speaking with you, it is obvious to me you are a professional and a man of integrity. It is regrettable you have to spend any of your time responding to such comments. Obviously, your time is better spent investigating crime.

Nevertheless, I hope you can understand my concern and frustration. One reason I follow the Ives case is because of the alleged links to Mena. It is my belief, in spite of many investigations to the contrary by governmental agencies and committees, something happened at Mena. Yet, whatever happened is not in the open. It is buried in politics. I doubt we will ever know the full truth, much less justice ever be served.

I do not want the same thing to happen in the Ives case. The death (murder?) of these boys appears to be woven into a political morass with attendant cover-ups and doubtful investigations. This is very disheartening to me. However, after speaking with you, I am confident your investigation will be thorough, above board and fair.

The happenings around Mena and the resulting cover-up or inaction on the part of our government has undermined much of my confidence in our government. Conversely, your response to my concern was heartening. Please always remember your higher calling.

My prayers are with you and the Ives. May God help us all.



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FAX MEMORANDUM

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TO:

Mr. IC Smith, Special Agent in Charge

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10825 Financial Centre Parkway Little Rock, AR 72211-3552

FROM:

Citizen, Taxpayer, and Truth Sceker 67C

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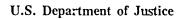
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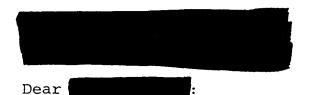




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Thank you for your letter and accompanying article off the Internet.

I am not in a position to comment on an ongoing investigation, as you are undoubtedly aware, but I will assure you the characterization in the article is not an accurate reflection of the FBI. The comments are both personally offensive and irresponsible, and due to the pending status of the investigation of the Ives-Henry deaths, I am basically unable to comment on those inaccuracies. However, I will also assure you, if there were evidence Mr. Dan Harmon, or anyone else, was responsible for the deaths of Kevin Ives and Don Henry, that would have been presented to a federal grand jury, assuming a federal statute was applicable.

This matter is further complicated by a federal law suit filed by two Pulaski County Sheriff's Department deputies for defamation of character by the producers of "The Clinton Chronicles."

Given all this, I will not comment further, beyond encouraging you to continue to monitor events in Arkansas, but to include alternative sources of information.

Sincerely yours,

Ivian 2. Smith Special Agent in Charge FBI, State of Arkansas

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Mr. I.C. Smith, Arkansas Special Agent in Charge Federal Bureau of Investigation Suite 200 Two Financial Centre Parkway Little Rock, Ar. 72211-3552 BY FAX

Dear Mr. Smith:

June 30, 1997

I've followed with interest the story of the deaths Kevin Ives and Don Henry. As you know, they were found on some railroad tracks after having been individually, either stabbed, or clubbed to death prior to the patsy train coming along and running over their bodies. How horrible this must have been for their families. Any parent would be heartbroken; wouldn't you?

Now I understand that the FBI is not interested in finding out who murdered them because: a) they may not have been such wholesome kids in the first place, or b) that they weren't murdered at all, or c) both of the above, or d) none of the above.

I have a long time good friend who works for the FBI and we have had some serious discussions regarding what in the heck the FBI's purpose is anymore. I can't get a reasonable answer. It's all such a murky business, this forensic stuff; how can I understand, not being a part of these Byzantine investigations and esoteric procedures? How indeed.

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Sincerely,

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Dear

Thank you for your facsimile and accompanying article from Ms. Jean Duffy. I, of course, have already been made aware of it and its contents.

Suffice to say, I do not agree with the contents of the article or the personal characterization by Ms. Duffy. I can assure you the facts as presented are both inaccurate, and irresponsible. As Ms. Duffy is aware, I am not at liberty to discuss an ongoing investigation and therefore, cannot individually address the issues raised beyond simply stating they are inaccurate. This matter is further complicated by the existence of a civil suit filed in federal court by two Pulaski County deputies for defamation for, as the suit alleges, they are accused of being "suspects" in the deaths of the two teenagers, by a film maker. I should also point out the Don Harmon RICO indictment was investigated by this office, he was convicted on the basis of that investigation, all of which occurred since my assignment here in August, 1995. I cannot speak for past prosecutive opinions (I've never met or talked to Mr. Chuck Banks), but I will note those now accusing me of not indicting Mr. Harmon were also those who said he would never be indicted because he was part of the coverup. Further, the FBI does not indict anyone - indictments are returned by grand juries based on testimony presented by U.S. Attorneys. And, if there was any credible evidence of Mr. Harmon's involvement in the deaths, I assure you that would have been vigorously pursued, but noting the FBI has no jurisdiction in local homicides.

Finally, I will emphatically state I have never stated those teenagers were not murdered, and the only comment I have made in the past regarding them individually was the fact being out at three to four o'clock in the morning placed them in a greater "at risk" category.

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Sincerely yours,

Ivian C. Smith Special Agent in Charge FBI, State of Arkansas







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Wednesday, July 16, 1997

I.C. Smith Arkansas Special Agent in Charge Federal Bureau of Investigation Suite 200, Two Financial Centre 10825 Financial Centre Parkway Little Rock, AR 72211-3552

Dear Mr. Smith:

This is my third writing to you. You were kind enough to reply to the first. Not hearing from you since, I'm distinctly asking for the favor of a response this time around. For the subject I'm writing to you about is important. To me and many others.

When I first wrote it was in conjunction with the "Train Deaths" in Saline County. I was concerned about the seeming immunity from justice Dan Harmon appeared to enjoy. Your reply heartened me and strongly hinted that with patience, justice would prevail.

In my second letter I asked that, if possible, I be made aware of any progress in the case. There was no reply this time and I excused the lack recognizing there was work to be done by you and your staff that perhaps excluded the normal attention to correspondence. I, like others, tried to rest on the encouragement generated by your first letter. Indeed, as Harmon was indicted my optimism increased — until I learned upon what counts and found none had anything to do with the deaths of Don and Kevin.

Dan Harmon has been charged with only a fragment of his crimes. Those more sensitive to the interests of others have been left untouched. Mena continues to taunt those who love the truth and detest corruption in persons of both low and high position.

I have specific questions to pose to which I would be pleased to gain direct answers.

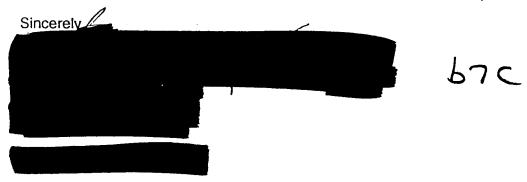
- It is reported in some circles that you have stated the FBI is unconvinced Don and Kevin were murdered, that their deaths may have been accidental. Is this so? I have hesitated to accept such reports as they seem wholly inconsistent with past FBI investigations into the matter and the autopsy results of forensic experts. Your clarification will help set the record straight.
- 2. Why haven't charges been brought against Dan Harmon directly related to the deaths of Kevin and Don? Why didn't the RICO indictment include his involvement in the murders even though the FBI has multiple eyewitnesses placing Harmon at the scene? (Of course, if the FBI position is that the boys weren't murdered that would explain it. But it seems inconceivable to me that such is truly the FBI's position.)

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3. Another report has the FBI insinuating the boys weren't of very good character and their parents lax in their supervision. Is this the FBI's position? If it is, and assuming they are correct, in what way would that change anything from a legal perspective?

I await with anticipation your reply. It will prove helpful to me as I move towards a position of soliciting the help of my Congressman to get to the bottom of these disturbing matters. For anyone assuming some future weariness in those interested in obtaining justice for the deaths of these boys would find himself terribly mistaken.

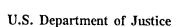


P.S. Might you have an e-mail address available for my future use in corresponding?



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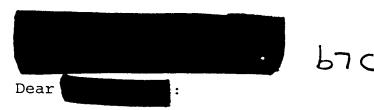




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10825 Financial Centre Pkwy, #200 Little Rock, AR 72211 July 22, 1997



Thank you for your letter of July 16 and your continuing interest in events in Arkansas.

Apparently your letter was driven in part by information on the Internet that is both inaccurate and irresponsible. While I am not in a position to refute those statements due to prohibitions against discussing ongoing investigations, I can state some of the information as reported on the Internet is simply not true.

The whole issue of discussing the matter is further complicated by a civil suit filed in Federal Court by two Pulaski County, Arkansas, deputies. They have filed suit against a film maker for defamation of character based upon characterizations made of their involvement in the deaths of the two teenagers.

While I will not discuss the results of any investigation conducted by the FBI, I have never stated the deaths of the teenagers was not a homicide.

I have been criticized for not indicting Dan Harmon for the deaths of the teenagers. I must point out the FBI does not indict anyone - investigations are presented to grand juries by the United States Attorney's Office, but I can assure you if sufficient evidence existed to indict anyone for those deaths, including Mr. Harmon, that would have been presented for consideration.

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I also deny ever having made disparaging remarks about the character of the youths - regardless of what has been reported. I have stated, and perhaps I should not have stated anything, that the two youths were, unfortunately, at a greater "risk" by being out in the wee hours of the morning in remote areas. That is not a characterization of the youths themselves, but instead, a simple fact that in today's world there are greater dangers for all of us than in the past. Youths in remote areas at 3:00 a.m. have greater potential for problems than in their homes. Finally, even if the youths were of bad character, and their parents not attentive - and I emphasize again, I have never made these statements - this would not influence our commitment to investigate this, or any such matter, with all our energies.

I resent the continuing inferences I am engaged in some massive coverup in the deaths of the two youths - a coverup that now encompasses almost ten years, involving numerous FBI agents, prosecutors, United States Attorneys from opposing political parties, sheriffs' deputies, state police personnel, municipal police, grand jury members, the media, etc., etc. I arrived in Arkansas less than two years past and the very people now critical of me for not indicting Mr. Harmon (even if I could) are also those who first stated we would not indict him, then stated we would not convict him.

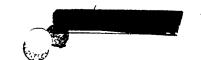
Perhaps you should consider alternative methods as opposed to relying on a single source for your information.

Again, thank you for your letter.

Sincerely yours,

Ivian C. Smith Special Agent in Charge



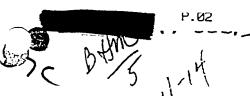




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United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510-0904

July 11, 1997

Office of Legislative Affairs Federal Bureau of Investigations 10th and Pennsylvania Avenues, Room 7240 Washington, D.C. 20535

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Dear

Enclosed please find correspondence from

I would greatly appreciate any reply your office can provide about this issue. You may respond directly to the constituent at the following address:

Additionally, please send a copy of your response to at 517 Hart Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20510.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this request.

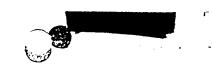
Sincerely,

Connie Mack

United States Senator

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United State Senate WASHINGTON D.C.

TAMPA OFFICE (813) 225-7683

CONSTITUENT ISSUE FORM FOR A
REQUESTED WRITTEN RESPONSE FROM SENATOR CONNIE MACK

| DATE: | June 16, 1997 | - |
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| ISSUE #1: | What if anything can Sen. Mack do to make sure that the FBI is_ | |
| | doing all it can as a Federal Agency to investigate the deaths of the two Arkansas boys, Kevin Ives & Don Henry, that were found dead on the Railroad tracks? | |
| ISSUE #2: | thinks that there is a cover up involving Pres. Clinton, drug dealing and the death of these boys. | |
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MEMORANDUM

DATE:

July 3, 1997

TO:

Mr. Louis J. Freeh! Director, FBI

FROM:

Citizen and Taxpayer

SUBJECT:

See Attached

Since the truth always comes out eventually (note the number of convictions coming out of Whitewaer), wouldn't you rather be known as a man of integrity who exposed and revealed Truth, than one who worked to hide the Truth?

US House of Representatives

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE 07/16/1997 Date:

To: Little Rock

Little Rock From:

Squad 1

Contact: ASAC William C. Temple

Approved By: Temple William C

Drafted By: Temple William C:bng

Case ID #: 166C-LR-35380 (Pending)

Title: UNSUB;

> KEVIN IVES - DECEASED; DON HENRY - DECEASED; ITAR/MURDER FOR HIRE;

USE OF MINORS TO SELL AND

DISTRIBUTE DRUGS;

DOMESTIC POLICE COOPERATION

00: LR

Synopsis: To document telephone conversations with

Administrative: Reference telcal from William C. Temple, 07/11/1997; telcal of ASAC Temple to 07/14/1997; telcal of ASAC Temple to 07/15/1997.

Details: On 07/11/1997, ASAC Temple received a telephone call from Linda Ives. Mrs. Ives stated that she had turned over a video tape of "Unsolved Mysteries" and several audio tapes regarding Saline County Grand Jury proceedings to SA She stated she gave these items to SA some time ago and would like to have them back. ASAC Temple responded that he would check into the matter and return her call.

On 07/14/1997, ASAC Temple spoke to SA She advised she never received any tapes from addition, ASAC Temple checked the FD-192s in the substantive file and determined that no such tapes had been placed into evidence. Based on the above, ASAC Temple called back and advised her that no such tapes could be located. stated that then Saline County herself gave the tapes to SA

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To: Little Rock From: Little Rock

Re: 166C-LR-35380, 07/16/1997

On 07/14/1997, ASAC Temple again spoke to SA with the new information as to the identity of the person who gave her the tapes. Upon reflection, SA remembered a box of tapes that was given to her by Saline County.

SA was a Saline County at that time. The box, which SA located at her desk, contained numerous video and audio tapes. SA stated that since she did not consider the tapes to be evidentiary in nature, she did not enter them into evidence. It is noted that one of the video tapes is labeled "Unsolved Mysteries-Friends to the End + Update." In addition, one audio tape is labeled "1988 Grand Jury Proceedings."

On 07/16/1997, ASAC Temple advised SA that she should prepare an inventory of the items in the box and attempt to return the box to Later that morning. SA advised ASAC Temple she had contacted prepared an who will accept the box. In addition, SA inventory sheet for the items, which will be placed in the file. ASAC Temple then attempted to recontact at telephone . The telephone was answered by number that the box containing the tapes would Temple advised be delivered to this same date. She was advised that the above mentioned video tape and audio tape had been located and would be contained in the box. She stated she was aware of earlier request and was appreciative that the tapes had been located. She stated contact regarding the tapes.

Senator Connie Mack asked that the FBI respond directly to you about your inquiry regarding the investigation into the deaths of Kevin Ives and Don Henry and your suggestion that there is a link between these deaths and the current Administration. 166C-LK-35380

I will be unable to address your specific questions about the Ives/Henry case since it is a longstanding Department of Justice and FBI policy not to comment in detail about matters involving an ongoing investigation. This policy exists to protect the rights of all parties involved and to prevent any impact on any criminal charges which might result. I have been assured that we are working diligently to bring this investigation to a conclusion as quickly as possible. Once all of the facts have been completely developed, the prosecutive merits of the case will be determined by the appropriate United States Attorney.

In view of the considerable publicity about this tragedy, I would like to state, however, that there have been considerable misrepresentations relating to this and other investigations being conducted by our Little Rock Office. Please be assured that the investigation of the deaths of Kevin Ives and Don Henry is ongoing. Additionally, the U.S. Attorney's Office is still conducting a thorough and aggressive investigation relating to criminal allegations involving Saline County, Arkansas, which I believe is the second issue of interest to you. There have been some developments that reveal we are being successful in this effort.

I appreciate the interest and ask that you continue to monitor the results of these and other FBI investigations in Arkansas. I think you will be pleased with what we are doing.

Sincerely yours,

John E. Collingwood Inspector in Charge Office of Public and Congressional Affairs

By: A. Robert Walsh Acting Unit Chief

1 - Honorable Connie Mack United States Senate Washington, D.C. 20510 - SAC, Little Rock - Encs.

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Attention ASAC Bill Temple: Reurfax 7/17/97 to

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Reply based on responses by the Little Rock Office to others who have inquired similarly.

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