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RE: SUSPECT CONVICTIONS EPISODE 7; COMMENTS BY BARTON McNEIL

Greetings SUSPECT CONVICTIONS listeners;

Yesterday I was able to listen to the latest radio/podcast episode of this series on the same day it first aired, originally broadcast on Bloomington's WGLT FM radio station. Consequently, I'm able to share my remarks in response to each episode, hopefully, more promptly.

Episode 7 mostly concerned a later murder committed by Misook Nowlin (AKA Misook Wang), my once-estranged girlfriend I've long been convinced was principally behind the 1998 Bloomington, Illinois, murder of my 3-yr old daughter, Christina McNeil. Incredibly, hardly a lone killer, those genuinely responsible for my child's killing got clean away, seemingly abetted by a Nowlin-friendly bias on the part of the Bloomington Police Dept. (BPD) and McLean County State's Attorney, Charles Reynard.

Worse, while the true identity of Christina's killer was transparently obvious to me, and was similarly evident from any objective appraisal of the myriad Nowlin-related events, facts, and circumstances surrounding my child's death - much to the wicked delight of Nowlin as per apparent intent, I myself was instead charged and railroaded straight into a wrongful conviction with little ado. Loudly proclaiming my innocence throughout, and prophetic in my outspoken courtroom prediction that, having gotten clean away with killing my daughter largely facilitated by the malicious prosecution of Christina's father at the hands of assistant prosecutors, Teena Griffin and Stephani Wong serving under State's Attorney Reynard, Nowlin would surely feel able to get away with murder again, sooner or later to further commit.

A now-obvious genuine serial killer, hardly a surprise to me Nowlin did in fact murder again in Bloomington some years later, this time taking the life of her divorce-seeking husband's mother, Wenlan Tyda, as part of a long-running elaborate murder scheme of the utmost cruel character.

My wrongful conviction rubber stamped at every turn, having previously received little scrutiny, today, largely prompted by Nowlin's later serial killing of mother-in-law, Mrs. Tyda, Nowlin is universally recognized, finally, as having been behind Christina's 1998 murder after all. Unavoidably, it's also widely recognized that, aside from suffering at the hands of free-roaming serial killer, Nowlin, abetted by a malicious prosecution of Christina's own father, estranged mother-in-law Mrs. Tyda has paid for these gross injustices with her life. In short, McLean County prosecutors Charles Reynard, Teena Griffin, and Stephani Wong bear responsibility for abetting Nowlin's latest serial killing,

when in fact Nowlin's responsibility for my daughter's murder was surely as objectively evident to anyone in police/prosecutorial authority not compromised by unjust intent, as it was transparently obvious to my layperson self.

Perhaps beyond the broad scope of the SUSPECT CONVICTIONS series, a few Tyda-murder factoids are worth highlighting - a subsequent Nowlin serial killing that I, and others, have studied in great detail.

First, Nowlin's later murder of her mother-in-law is the only killing that we, the public, know for sure Nowlin to have committed in the years following successfully getting away with killing my daughter. Given the ease of Nowlin's ability to get away with Christina's murder, her near getaway with Mrs. Tyda's murder, and the extraordinary premeditation of her elaborate cunning schemes, we think it unlikely that Mrs. Tyda was Nowlin's only victim in the years following the wildly successful plot to frame Nowlin's estranged boyfriend for his own child's murder. Moreover, given Nowlin's high degree of murderous aptitude in fiendishly carrying out the murder of my daughter, in concert with recent revelations resulting from ongoing inquiries, we're not alone in believing that Christina's 1998 murder wasn't the first serial killing Nowlin got away with.

Next, while the BPD takes credit for bagging Mrs. Tyda's killer, that was far from true. While those closest to Tyda easily recognized from the outset that Nowlin was behind Mrs. Tyda's disappearance, surely aware of this also for a whole week, the BPD made no move against Nowlin, apparently willing to let her get away with another murder, perhaps in recognition of the obvious implications my own (wrongful) conviction would then have were Nowlin now arrested for (also) killing Mrs. Tyda. Incredible in its own right, the backstory behind Nowlin's arrest for the killing of her husband's mother is worthy of a dozen podcasts all by itself.

The indisputable fact is, the BPD was FORCED to FINALLY move against Nowlin only AFTER too many concerned friends of Mrs. Tyda had easily solved the case themselves, rendering the BPD unable to further keep a lid on it. Armed with easily discovered proof of Nowlin's responsibility for Mrs. Tyda's disappearance/murder, marching right in to the BPD, the growing number of layperson discoverers of truth essentially demanded Nowlin's arrest.

Until then the writing was on the wall. Left to the BPD, were it not for the concerned intervention of Mrs. Tyda's sleuthing friendly associates, Nowlin would've surely gotten away with her latest serial killing even more easily than she got away with killing my daughter, despite, once again, Nowlin's responsibility for Mrs. Tyda's disappearance/murder being plainly obvious from the outset.

Note that, when Nowlis's arrest for Mrs. Tyda's murder was announced, the authorities were deafeningly silent on their long intimate (and friendly) familiarity with Nowlin as the once-central "person of interest" in a child murder some years earlier (resulting in the father's now-obvious wrongful conviction). Having heard of Nowlin's arrest, had I myself, from prison, not alerted area reporters to Nowlin's prior child murder notoriety, today the public would know nothing of it if left up to McLean County prosecutors.

Needing next addressed is the myth regarding Nowlin's deliberate and direct involvement of her 6-yr old son, Donovan, in the two-day event of his grandmother's murder, noting first that two months earlier Nowlin was charged with two felony counts of theft, a caper during which she directly involved her young son in that criminal incident as well.

It was Nowlin's own self-serving uncorroborated claim (echoed by authorities recognizing its implication to Christina's murder), that Nowlin's son, Donovan, was asleep in Nowlin's car during the actual killing of Ms. Tyda. Claimed by Nowlin alone, this shouldn't be accepted as fact, never mind that, even if so, Nowlin deliberately directly involved the boy in the ghastly entirety of the remainder of this savage two-day event. In point of fact, deliberately involving her own children is Nowlin's very modus operandi.

Beginning soon after Christina's death, I've long vocally maintained that others were involved in my child's murder alongside Nowlin herself, who I often refer to the Nowlin gang, which included those persons closest to Nowlin, who were themselves in extreme close proximity to her on the night of Christina's murder, none of who, conspicuously, could account for their own whereabouts during the hours bracketing my daughter's death. Nowlin cohorts include ex-husband Andy Nowlin, Korean born Yuman Aldridge and Susi Kaiser, soon-to-be husband Don Wang whose own mother Nowlin would eventually kill, and Misook Nowlin's own then-8-yr old daughter, Michelle, who was the 3-year acting stepsister to Christina. Since Christina's death, this cabal has self-servingly continued to provide cover for like-minded Misook Nowlin, tellingly, extending up to today long after she's been outed as a genuine killer, having been convicted of her recent most murder concerning Mrs. Tyda.

The fact is, long before Mrs. Tyda's killing I've long maintained that, of those Nowlin involved in Christina's murder, most prominent was Nowlin's own 8-yr old daughter, Michelle.

Throughout, it's long been my outspoken steadfast belief that Nowlin had forced her own daughter to directly participate in Christina's killing, in no small part because of Christina's own final excited utterance to the effect of the bedroom presence of Nowlin's daughter. Christina unafraid, likely led to belief by her killer(s) she was to stay quiet as she and they were playing a game, and myself assuming we were alone in the apartment,

my daughter was probably killed shortly thereafter - a likely circumstance consistent with several corroborative facts and circumstances later disclosed.

Setting aside for a moment any question as to whether Misook Nowlin herself performed the beastly physical act of smothering my daughter to death, or whether it was one of her like-minded cohorts perhaps more easily being silently hoisted in and out of Christina's open ground floor bedroom window, most noteworthy was my longtime certainty that Misook Nowlin, along with ex-husband Andy Nowlin, had directly involved 8-yr old Michelle Nowlin in the killing of Christina. My very claim all by itself was remarkable by its uniqueness.

After all, nevermind the wickedness itself of committing a murder, a child murder no less; what sort of "run of the mill" murderer, child killer, and/or serial killer would deliberately directly involve their own young son or daughter in their heinous killings? As Misook has now been proven to have done relative to the Mrs. Tyda murder. And to whatever likelihood existed that I was correct in the intensity of my belief that Nowlin had in fact directly involved her own daughter in Christina's killing, if this were indeed true, this singularly distinctive child-involving circumstance would likely have no equal.

I challenge anyone to find a solitary murder case whereby the killer deliberately involved his/her own small child, such is the unrivalled uniqueness of such a depraved child-involving circumstance.

Hardly a mere coincidence, Nowlin's later highly premeditated murder of her mother-in-law, in and of itself, is a stark affirmation that Nowlin killed my daughter after all, and is a serial killer to boot.

More than that, of the many facts and circumstances surrounding the twin Bloomington murders of Christina and Mrs. Tyda alike - a testament to the high mortality rate suffered by those who Nowlin claimed to have loved - the overlapping parallels are simply beyond any result of Nowlin's coincidental misfortunes.

But the one singularly unique circumstance of Nowlin's later murder of her estranged husband's mother that serves as the final word on who killed my daughter, was Nowlin's deliberate involvement in the totality of the 2-day event of Mrs. Tyda's killing, of her own 6-yr old son Donovan - perfectly mirroring my long outspoken certainty, equally unusual, that in murdering Christina, Nowlin had directly involved her own 8-yr old daughter, Michelle. No way around it; this is Nowlin's one-of-a-kind signature modus operandi shared between Nowlin's twin murders of my daughter & Mrs. Tyda alike.

Documented in court transcripts, I explicitly predicted in 2002 during my re-sentencing hearing that, having gotten away with killing my daughter aided by my wrongful conviction, Nowlin was certain to kill again, seemingly immune from arrest/prosecution.

Implicit in my easy-to-foresee prediction of further Nowlin killing, was the likelihood that such murders to come would be accompanied by Nowlin's unique signature M.O. - the most distinctive of which was the highly unusual deliberate involvement of her own children, as I recognized Nowlin had done when killing my child.

Indisputably, this was precisely what Nowlin did in her subsequent killing of her mother-in-law. So unique a circumstance that I so vehemently expressed long before my own one-sided trial that Nowlin had done, Nowlin's later deliberate involvement of her young son in Mrs. Tyda's murder not only exonerates me while wholly affirming Nowlin responsibility for Christina's murder after all, it further starkly affirms Nowlin's highly unusual signature M.O. of having involved her daughter, Michelle, in the killing of my daughter, Christina.

There is no other plausible scenario to explain away how Nowlin's deliberate involvement of her young son in the killing of his grandmother, so perfectly conforms to my long expressed certainty that Nowlins directly involved her equally young daughter, Michelle, in the murder of her three year acting stepsister, Christina.

Towards the end of this SUSPECT CONVICTIONS episode, from an earlier taped interview, State's Attorney Jason Chambers and assistant prosecutor Mary Koll, tasked with maintaining my now-long known wrongful conviction), made a few remarks, incredibly, in defense of serial killer Nowlin, pretending to be unaware of my genuine innocence and Nowlins long transparently obvious responsibility for my child's killing.

Parroting the same untrue Nowlin-friendly talking points used by former prosecutors Charles Reynard, Teena Griffin, and Stephani Wong in order to render my wrongful conviction, it was this very same effort that directly facilitated Nowlin's ongoing serial killings, only one victim we know for sure to have been Wenlan Tyda. Has nothing been learned by the blood of Mrs. Tyda that so stains the hands of those responsible for my wrongful conviction, that so directly facilitated Nowlin's easily foreseen later murder(s)?

I feel that the single minded obsession by some in authority to align themselves with the interests of serial killers an abhorrent outright endorsement of Nowlin's' serial killings of my late daughter, Christina McNeil, and Wenlan Tyda alike. Equally odious, such unjust agendas only serve to further advance the completion of my sentence of death by prison, that may be accurately characterized as an ongoing act of attempted murder.

Please State's Attorney Chambers, serve the true cause of justice on behalf of my long denied innocent child, prosecute those we all know were responsible for her killing, and end the 20-year effort to take her innocent father's life. Live up to the oath you took in office. - Barton