

CLARK STATION A/R and MURDER

I read over Det. Dan Katz' appraisal of this case and these are my responses to his report.

1) The reason that [REDACTED] did not positively pick someone out of the line up is *he couldn't if he wanted to*. I interviewed him and his friend the night of the murder. I talked to them that night, and a few days later, individually. *Neither* of the boys could see the person clearly. I stood at the window they looked out and it was difficult to identify the people running around on the lot *and I knew most of them*. There was no way they could make an I.D. The most they could give was general height, weight and type of clothing. This is why detective Crowe questioned any ID by the boy. He knew the *aforegoing facts*.

2) The [REDACTED] lead. I put very little credence in this lead. As we found out later, Mr. [REDACTED] had a hidden agenda. We check this lead as far as it would go. We tried talking to SNOWS wife, sister and [REDACTED]. We got no where. [REDACTED] has told us lately to "*go fly a kite*." We know that [REDACTED] is not the only girlfriend that [REDACTED] had at *this* time. He was in McLean county jail because my task force put him there. He was in on Armed Robbery charge. He and SNOW had held up the Freedom Gas Station *just two blocks north of the Clark station*. [REDACTED] had **also** done the Bloomington Bus Depot armed robbery SNOWS. The witness against Snow, saying he was in on the Freedom Oil armed robbery, took off and the charges were *dropped*. This left [REDACTED] holding the bag, sitting in jail on the Bus Station armed robbery. Add this to the fact he was doing a policeman's wife, and ask yourself, *did he have reason to mislead the police*, and did he have reason to be mad at SNOW. (Who was now free for doing the same thing he was doing) Wouldn't it be great if he could get the police to arrest Snow on a murder rap? I certainly asked myself these questions, and so did the task force that was working this case when this lead was hot, and I'm sure a defence attorney would ask the same. He would mislead the police, and get even with Snow at the same time. I am very, very cautious of this lead.

3) [REDACTED] is nothing without [REDACTED]. Her's is merely parroting [REDACTED] and totally hearsay.

4) [REDACTED] lead. Crowe did talk to him. At the time, Snow's comments seemed more jail house bragging than anything else.

5) [REDACTED]. If memory serves me, she is our witness that skipped out which lead to Snows release on the Freedom gas station armed robbery.

I think we *have to* follow up on Snow, **but we are no where near ready to involve the McLean County States attorneys office**. We might get a grand jury indictment, (and how many times have I heard that you can get anything by a grand jury) but we certainly could **not** get a conviction. I do not want to railroad anyone, eventhough Snow is a low life, I want the real killer. If he did it, we'll get him, but it's going to take more than we have, and I don't want to be wearing blinders to any one leads. We had one where a person who was recently fire from his job at an oil changing business walked in and stated, *did you guys see what I did last night?* When told no, he stated, he did the robbery/murder. He got rid of his car right after that. We could not find him to talk to.

If bragging or admitting to people that you know is enough to indite, then he should be indited also, but I don't see any movement in that direction.

I would like to point out that prior to the arrest in the S & S case, certain officers were ready to make arrest on three different occasions [REDACTED] and we had a 90 percent identification from a face to face witness (not from across the street in the dark). They were also ready to arrest [REDACTED] because a neighbor stood outside the door of [REDACTED] apartment and heard [REDACTED] make incriminating statements about robbing S & S. there was another person in Joliet Ill. (I don't recall his name) but the same officers wanted to swarm up there to serve and arrest. We swarmed up there, but found out he had an alibi. He was working in Joliet on the night the murder occurred.

In light of these facts, the letter I just read has an all too familiar ring to it ! To me that's scary.

All three of these persons had done the same things that Snow has done here, but they did not do it. At least someone else was convicted for the crime. I see this situation as basically the same scenario. We can not, and **must not** jump at this situation without first checking **all** possible leads. I see nothing here to warrant beating feet to the grand jury or the S/A's office. All I see here is a lead that needs to be run down, as do other leads.

CLARK STATION ARMED ROBBERY

As of October 7, 1993 the following items are the major contributing factors for proceeding to Grand Jury for a indictment against Jamie Snow. Also R/O feels there is a need for further investigation in this case and those points of investigation will be explained further at a later time in this report.

First looking at the evidence which would be available to use against Jamie Snow in court:

- 1) **Luna** viewed a human line-up at the McLean County Jail on 06-21-91 almost three months after the incident. [redacted] viewed the line-up and when asked if he wanted to view anyone a second time [redacted] asked to look at # 6 (Jamie Snow). [redacted] looked at number 6 the second time and then was escorted out of the viewing room. [redacted] was asked if he recognized anyone and [redacted] stated # 6 **looked like the person**. Crowe asked [redacted] if he was sure and what made him look like the person he saw leave the Clark Station? [redacted] stated the **shape of his face and the hair looked the same**. Crowe then advised [redacted] he did not have to pick anyone just because he was shown a line-up. Crowe went on to ask [redacted] if he was sure or if the person he picked just looked like the person he had seen? Luna stated, **"I THINK HE IS THE PERSON"**
- 2) **Ed Palumbo** states Jamie Snow and another person who lives on West Monroe were the persons responsible for the Clark station murder/armed robbery. On May 09, 1993 Det. Thomas and Sgt. Bernardini interviewed [redacted] at the McLean County Jail. At that time [redacted] states Jamie told n [redacted] that he did it and this confession took place at Jamie Snows trailer at **Park City South**. A **SECOND** confession according to [redacted] took place shortly after the crime. [redacted] stated to Det. Thomas and Sgt. Bernardini he was enroute home when **he saw Jamie Snow in his blue Ford in the** area of Olive and Morris. Jamie's wife and another white female was in the car. [redacted] stated he pulled his car up next to Jamie's car and Jamie asked [redacted] if he could get him some pot? [redacted] stated no. Jamie then stated, " **DID YOU HEAR WHAT I DID**" [redacted] stated No. Jamie then stated, " **DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THE KID THAT I SHOT AT THE CLARK STATION**"? [redacted] stated he again said no. Jamie then stated, " **HAVE GUN, GO OFF, KID DIES**". [redacted] stated after Jamie Snow stated this he then left and went home.
- 3) **Shannon** [redacted] On April 23, 1991 [redacted] was interviewed by Det. Thomas and Sgt. Bernardini at the Bloomington Police Department. A typed written statement was obtained from [redacted] During the time of the Freedom and Clark station armed robberies [redacted] boyfriend was **Palumbo**. In [redacted] statement she states [redacted] came back to their residence on April 2, 1991 and related to [redacted] the conversation that had just occurred between [redacted] and Jamie Snow. The context of the conversation in the typed written statement is generally what [redacted] reported the conversation to be in item # 2.
- 4) **Steve Scheel** [redacted] On September 08, 1993 R/O and Det. Crowe went to the Vienna Correction Center and interviewed [redacted] The interview was tape recorded with the consent of [redacted] In the interview [redacted] stated he had a conversation with Jamie Snow around April or May 1991 at [redacted] residence. A party or gathering of people were present. [redacted] stated he was talking with Jamie in the dining

Not ID

When talking to Guy Katz of course

Being Yes Tall

room as they had not seen each other for a long time. As they were catching up on each others lives Jamie stated he was on the run from the Police because of a Robbery that he had committed at the Bus Station. Jamie also stated he had done a Robbery at a gas station and that led into their discussion about crimes. Jamie stated he also robbed the Clark station on Empire. [redacted] stated he remembered reading in the paper about the attendant getting killed in the Clark station armed robbery. [redacted] went on to say he asked Jamie if he was the person that shot the kid at the Clark Station and Jamie stated, " YES I SHOT THE BOY BUT I DIDN'T THINK I HAD KILLED HIM". Also [redacted] describes what Jamie was wearing the night the conversation took place. [redacted] first came forward with information in August 91 but did not want any or ask for any consideration in his pending case in exchange for giving this information.

5) [redacted] On September 13, 1993 R/O and Det. Zabo LOgan County Sheriff's Department spoke with [redacted] at the LOgan County Sheriff's Department. A synopsis of the interview [redacted] stated she lived at [redacted] from January 91 until July 91. [redacted] stated she really did not have any parties but once in awhile she would have some friends over. [redacted] did remember one time when [redacted] was present when she had some friends over. [redacted] stated she had not seen Jamie Snow for about 5 to 7 years and was not sure if she would know him if she saw him. [redacted] was able to remember a person who she thought was cute that attended the gathering. This person was a W/M and she described him as wearing a dirty flannel shirt. [redacted] was unable to give any further description of this person [redacted] could add nothing further other than [redacted] who lives with [redacted] who is Jamie Snow's brother-in-law told [redacted] Jamie and two other guys did the Clark Station Armed Robbery/murder.

THINGS THAT NEED TO BE DONE OR COMPLETED

- 1) [redacted] Will she assist in wearing a wire to talk with [redacted] and Jamie Snow?
- OK 2) [redacted] she needs to be interviewed. possible polygraph and Grand Jury.
- OK 3) [redacted] interview per [redacted] statement.
- 4) [redacted] re-interview possibly with S/A present, Polygraph and Grand Jury.
- OK (5) Jamie Snow- Polygraph set for 10-14-93 10:30 A.M.
- (6) [redacted] Polygraph set for 10-12-93 10:30 A.M., Grand Jury and re-interview.
- ? (7) [redacted] re-interview she has expressed concern about our first visit and what she was saying in 91. Also wants to know what the Police know.
- 8) [redacted] She needs to be spoken to again.
- 9) [redacted] Bottom of the list to be interviewed.
- 10) [redacted] Re-interview.
- 11) Crime Lab- Any matches from crime scene with Stolen Car scene.

After the Polygraphs are completed on [redacted] and Snow at that time we need to proceed with the overhear. If the overhear produces nothing new we then need to have the case reviewed by Reynard. If Reynard believes we can win this case in court we need to indict

Knows the VICTIM

Single male

20-24

athletic type

older man, American type, 5-6 yrs old, 2 dr. sedan, blue/gray color

Adult record - burglary, house breaking

2 high school ed.

quick temper but not a bully; quick melt-down

in jail before

juvenile record - minor

drug problem

lives close, dresses in old, tattered clothes (mud or so)

smokes pot, right handed

lives with a woman, NOT MARRIED, common-law, child (children?)

frequent neighborhood bars, fights

detouring area

home is vehicle AS CAR

series of jobs, gets fired

no military background

new AT robbing stations, 1st or 2nd, may have burglarized homes

profile from