

**AFFIDAVIT**

**STATE OF CALIFORNIA     )**

**CITY OF LOS ANGELES     )**

**Pursuant to 28 U.S.C – 1746, I, SANDRA HARMON, having been duly sworn, hereby depose and state under penalty of perjury that the following factual representations are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and recollection:**

- 1. I am an Emmy Award winning television writer and producer, as well as the author of four published books, including “A Girl Like Me”, the best-seller, “Elvis and Me”, “Getting To I Do”, and “Staying Married and Loving It!”**
  
- 2. Sometime in the early part of the year 2000, Bo Weitz, a friend of mine who was then a boom operator on TV, called me to tell me about a woman named Linda Scarpa, who he met that day when she was a guest on one of the shows he worked on. He said she was the mistress of Gregory Scarpa, a Colombo family mobster who had died, and was very open and outspoken on the show, talking about her life as the “wife” of a mobster as well as the unsolved murder of her son Joey, who had been killed in a drug dispute in 1995. Bo thought that Linda Scarpa might be an interesting subject for a book, and offered to introduce us. I accepted his suggestion and Bo gave Linda my phone number, and she called me.**
  
- 3. Soon after, Linda Scarpa, her daughter Linda and I met for lunch and at that time, Linda and I agreed to begin to meet to talk about a possible book or television or film collaboration about her life with Gregory Scarpa.**
  
- 4. For the next few months, Linda and I would meet periodically at my apartment 3B, at 327 Central Park West, New York, New York, 10025, to discuss her life with Gregory Scarpa and her involvement in his life and her knowledge of his crimes and those of his crew and other members of his family.**
  
- 5. On November 19, 2000, we signed an agreement for me to acquire the motion picture rights of her story for a period of one year, with an option for an additional year.**

6. In the course of the hundreds of hours of recollections that Linda conveyed to me, was the following incident regarding the murder of Patrick Porco, who was the best friend of her son, Joey. Although this story has been dramatized by me for purposes of a film or book proposal, the words are Linda's own.
7. "Joey worshiped Greg, and wanted to be like him, at the same time, he wanted to be his own person. But like most fathers with teenage boys, Greg wanted Joey to do things his way. He didn't like the way Joey cut his hair, or the clothes he wore. He didn't like Joey's choice of friends. He wanted Joey to hang out with his crew. Joey, of course, wanted to be with kids his own age, boys who thought and dressed the way he did
8. Patrick Porco was Joey's best friend. The two boys were like brothers. Patrick used to sleep over at the house all the time and I thought of Patrick as another son. Greg felt the same way.
9. When they were seventeen, Joey and Patrick began buying and selling small portions of marijuana and cocaine to other kids in the neighborhood. I knew that Joey was selling pot, but I didn't know about the cocaine. I later learned that Greg knew about the cocaine, but didn't tell me because he didn't want me to worry.
10. Greg himself always worried about Joey. He worried that Joey would get killed. He never slept until Joey was in the house at night, no matter how late the hour. He'd lie in bed with his eyes open, or look out the window until he heard Joey's car pull up.
11. One day when I was in Joey's room, I decided to turn over his mattress. When I did, I found hundreds of twenty-dollar packets of cocaine. I became hysterical and called Greg to come up to Joey's room to see what I found. When he did, he lied and told me that Joey was only holding the cocaine for a friend.
12. Then Joey and Patrick had an argument with rival dealer, Domenick Masseria. One night, Joey and Patrick and two of his friends, Ray Aviles and Chris Barrett, got into Ray's car and went looking to settle the argument. Someone from their car fired two blasts of a shotgun, fatally wounding Masseria.
13. When Greg heard what happened, he was frantic with worry about Joey. Masseria was associated with another mob family who would soon be asking questions about his death. That could mean a death sentence for Joey.

14. Greg sent Joey and Patrick to his farm in New Jersey to stay with his older son Frank and his family in order to be safe. Then Greg asked the bosses of the two mob families for a Mafia sit-down, where he used all his powers of persuasion to spare the lives of the two boys.

15. Joey and Patrick stayed on the farm for a few weeks, but then they got bored and homesick and returned to Brooklyn. Soon the police were on the case. They picked up Aviles and began to lean on Patrick, pressing him to talk.

16. A couple of weeks before Aviles trial for the murder of Domenick Masseria, Linn DeVecchio called Greg at our home. Usually Greg and Linn chatted openly on the phone, but this time Lin told Greg to go to an outside telephone and call him back. Greg and I left the house immediately and drove to a nearby pay phone. I waited in the car while Greg talked to Lin.

17. When he got back in the car, Greg was very upset. He told me that Linn said that Patrick was going to "rat" on Joey. Greg was very quiet on the ride back home, telling me only that he was figuring out how to kill Patrick.

18. Greg's plan was to have Joe Fish do the actual shooting, but he needed Joey to help lure Patrick to the fatal meeting. When Greg told this to Joey, Joey tried to talk Greg out of killing Patrick. He could not believe that Patrick, his best friend, would "rat" on him. But Greg was adamant. He told Joey he knew best and that Patrick had to be killed.

19. At the last minute, Joe Fish had car trouble and was stuck across town. So Greg told Joey he would have to kill Patrick himself. Joey had no choice. He had to do what his father told him to do.

20. Joey left the house with his cousin John. When he returned a few hours later, alone, he went directly into his room and closed the door. Greg told me that Patrick had been murdered. I wanted to believe that John killed him and not Joey, but I didn't know what to think when I heard Joey crying through the night. I wanted to comfort him, but when I went to his room, his door was locked and he wouldn't let me in.

21. Greg wanted Joey and me to go to Patrick's wake, as Joey certainly would have done if Patrick had died any other way, but Joey refused, too depressed to go. Greg didn't press him, so I went alone. When Patrick's mother, Carol, spotted me, she burst into tears and began crying hysterically. "Joey couldn't come," I told Carol, honestly, as we both started

sobbing and holding each other tightly. "He's just too upset."

22. This information remained basically in my files, until I recently brought it out to review, since I am now writing a new book proposal about Greg Scarpa, Sr. and his family, and most specifically about Gregory Scarpa, Jr., who is an inmate at Supermax prison in Florence, Colorado. One of my sources in this endeavor is Angela Clemente, a Forensic Intelligence Analyst with whom I was speaking on the phone today in order to check some facts. When I mentioned to Angela that Linda Schiro Scarpa had given me the information which I have outlined above, she asked me if I would be willing write this affidavit, attesting to the truth of what I was saying. I agreed to do so.

23. I have not been threatened or coerced into giving this 23-paragraph Affidavit.

Respectfully submitted,

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Sworn to and subscribed before me on this 10<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2005.

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## **GREG JR.**

**Greg, Jr. was a handsome, sweet and loving boy, who dreamed of becoming a boxer. He lifted weights and worked and dreamed of becoming a boxer. He was fifteen years old when he learned the truth about his dad, or at least Greg Sr's version of the truth. As Greg Jr. recalls, "At that time, I believed that he was just a jeweler, then there were articles that came out in the newspaper that said otherwise. They said that he was a high ranking mob member. I asked my dad about the articles he told me not to tell anyone, but that his real job was working for the FBI and that he was just spying on the Mafia. I was really impressed. I thought he was a real hero.**

**Then, about a year later, I was in training in the Police Athletic League, boxing, and I had just finished a fight and I went with my father to a Chinese restaurant in Staten Island and Mr. Villano was there waiting.**

**In the late 70's, Greg became a made member of the Colombo family. He**

**He was a very cool guy. He was never an excited person. He was a laid back, quiet person. I never heard him raise his voice. It was in the way he looked at you, the way he gestured with his hands. If he told you he was going to kill you, he was going to kill you. I don't know why he was that way, but that is how he was. Dad used to boast about his nicknames, The Grim Reaper, and 007.**

**did what his father said. By this time he knew about Linda and Greg told him if he told his mother he would kill him. Greg knew his father would do exactly what he said so he never told his mother. Greg also knew about his father's work with the FBI because one night, when he was with his father, he was approached by Villano who tried to persuade him to be an informant. He refused. Greg never told Frankie about Greg.**

Greg Jr learned what his father did for a living, when he was by the time Greg Jr was fifteen, he was determined to be a boxer. He used to practice all the time and lift weights. Etc. He and his father was close he taught him this and that The only person in the world who knew the truth about Greg Scarpa double life, was his Son, Greg, Jr. **Greg's oldest son, Greg Jr., was strong and handsome and wanted to be a boxer. He did this and that and won awards. He was powerful and determined.** He remember when she learned the truth about his father, at least the truth his father wanted him to know.

I knew he was a gangster and a mobster and I was programmed my whole life that that was the way of the world and that we were the good guys, and they were the bad guys, But I never knew he was an informant. We were always raised to believe that informants were no good. Anyone who dealt with the police was no good. If you are a rat, you get killed.

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**strength. There are people who are strong and he was beyond strong. He had the fight in his might the winner instinct to annihilate. . A boxer, you can get out there and box, like Mike Tyson, Mohammed Ali who would tire out his opponent/ Gregory would come from center field. I seen him as a kid growing up, one punch knocks someone down and they would be destroyed. He had unbelievable power. There were weights in the garage, the speed bag, the heavy bag, but I was so young I never seen him in any boxing matches, just street fighting, he would never get hurt. So powerful in his mind, he has such strength.**

**Frankie: But he was programmed just like I was, but more so. In those days it was easier to get into Dad's business and dad wanted him in the business.**

**I always idolized Gregory Jr. Greg was more a father than my father. He taught me how to box, he taught me how to defend myself, he taught me how to play basketball, football, baseball, softball, whiffle ball. The only thing my father taught me was how to be a bad guy**

**Greg taught me how to draw a woody woodpecker. . Dick van Dyk was one of his favorites. He loves to reminisce about those days. He drew it to me and he mailed it to him. He writes how much fun he and his brother had. If I was out now and we were together we could do lots of good things. We would have the best of times. Ma, I should of came with yhou with the horses. But he never had a chance.**

**But Greg Sr. wanted Greg to come into the Colombo family so he could have a life like his. Connie didn't like it but Greg told her he would keep him safe. Hijacking**

**I was very skinny growing up, and one day I come home from school there was a bully in school, and he ending up punching me. Dad was out of the house but was home on the weekend.**

**He said, "How did that happen?" So I told him and he said, "What are you going to do about it? I'm going to tell you what to do and don't let me hear that you didn't do it. You pick up whatever there is around you and you take this kid out. So I went to school. Saw him walking to class. Ran, jumped, knocked him down through three desks and this big bully is crying his eyes out. Dad comes home. I tell him the story and he says "Thata boy", and from that day on, to this day, I don't back down from nobody.**

**Frankie recalls, "Greg used to take me to Brooklyn, to 13<sup>th</sup> Street. I was ten or eleven years old. I saw that Thirteenth Street was ruled and owned by my father. Hew was like the greatest thing in the world**

**You weren't allowed to have a lottery machine in any store, if you wanted to play the numbers, it had to be with my father. If somebody tried to put a lottery machine, they would be told to take it out and if they didn't' they would suffer the consequences.**

**One shopkeeper did run afoul of Greg and was forced to pay the price for it. When Rizzo Drug store put in a machine for patrons to play the numbers, Greg felt that this was an invasion of his territory, so he had one of the men in his crew drive a truck through the store. Rizzo got the point. The next day the machines were gone.**

**One time he got an old car and drove the car through the window. Not to mention the broken legs and arms.**

**My brother Greg used to take me to the Wimpy Boys Social Club and at that time, there was a game room there and I used to sit there and play games. Greg Jr would bring me there in the morning and Id stay there all day. I maybe saw my father once when he came through and went back to his office. But I was with Greg Jr. He would be hanging around outside the place talking to the guys".**

**What did they talk about? As Joe Pistone said, I would usually get to the club or**

**A few months later, when Greg Jr., faced induction into the armed services, Greg turned to Villano for help. Villano easily steered Greg to a doctor who wrote a false medical report that won Gregory Jr. an exemption from the draft.**

**I was more interested in the video games. Then it stopped. Dead. He wasn't allowed to bring me to Brooklyn anymore. I think it was because Linda was around and coming to Wimpys more often.**

**Once, after a determined New York City police detective refused to back down after arresting Greg during a warehouse heist, agent Villano, outfitted Greg with a body mike. Then Greg arranged to meet the police detective at a bar, and lured him into the bathroom where he made an offer of a huge bribe if he would withdraw the charges. The greedy detective eagerly agreed. When the tape was later played back to him, the detective, just as eagerly, agreed to alter his arrest report so that Greg was never charged.**

**1988 After trial, Greg was convicted of a RICO charge which involved his drug dealing and received a twenty year prison sentence.**

**1989 .**

**1990 3/16/89 to 10/30/91 he was in The US Penitentiary in Lewisberg, Pennsylvania**

**In 89 or 90, his father came to visit him and told him that he was going to create dissension in the Colombo Crime Family and eventually take out his enemies and become the head of the family.**

**In 1991 Greg Sr. visited Greg in Lewisberg and told him that he had some problems in Brooklyn. He said that an article hit the newspapers that he may be an informant. He was very upset. He found out from DeVecchio that Tommy Ocera was spreading rumors and that he had to have him killed. He said he would be alright because he worked things out with Mr. D but that he wanted to make sure that I was alright in prison with this thing coming out in the papers because something like that hitting the newspapers, with us having the same name, in the penitentiary you are as good as dead.**

**11/8/91 to 1/6/93, he was in Leavenworth, in Kansas. His father visited him in Leavenworth about four or five times. While he was there he told him about the attempt on his life, also it was all over the papers.**

In 1992 Greg was transferred to USP Terre Haute in Terra Haute, Indiana. He was there 1/12/93 and stayed until 6/27/95, when he assaulted Luchese Family Godfather Vittorio Amuso Scarpa Jr. after Amuso had chided, "Your father was a rat! You should be ashamed!"

Despite Amuso's incarceration, he still maintains his position as head of the Luchese family and a seat on the Mob's governing body "The Commission." As such, all five Families put out contracts on the life of young Scarpa, who was serving a 20-year sentence for drug trafficking.

**To keep him alive, the government transferred Scarpa to solitary confinement at the Metropolitan Correctional Center in Manhattan, where he would face additional charges of murder and racketeering, a RICO charge.**

**. By then, Federal authorities had admitted that his father had used his position as an FBI informant to further his and his sons' criminal activities. Scarpa was placed in a cell adjacent to international te Scarpa was placed in a cell adjacent to international terrorist Ramzi Yousef, who was being held while awaiting trial for being the mastermind in the bombing of the World Trade Center in 1993.**