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Donald,

I got copies of some pictures and documents in the mail from Robert Kelly a couple days ago. I'm going to read them this weekend.

In Mike's letter he said that there was a "communal effort" to spread false information so that KPD wouldn't be able to solve Laura's disappearance. Including the guy claiming to have found Laura's body. Mike and Detective Walton both accused Barry Paris, the lead officer in the investigation of being dirty.

Mike said that Jamin told Dell Jackson (1945-2008) that he was one of the people that Laura had recorded on the tapes. And that after people realized what Laura had been doing, they stopped talking around her. She allegedly got nervous and asked Jamin to give the tapes to the feds, but he tried to talk her out of it and again passed the information on to Dell Jackson.

Wayne Arndt was the guy that claimed to have found a body matching Laura's description. AST said that his story wasn't true. He has a long record... and he lived in Dell Jackson's trailer park during the 1980s. An Arndt that might be Wayne's son was arrested by feds in Kodiak a few years ago for laundering drug money.

Colleen Jones, the woman that said that your van swerved in front of her at 9:35pm on March 28, 1986 also lived in Dell Jackson's trailer park...

There was the name "PUP" along with a phone number in Mel's address book. One of the numbers for "PUP" once belonged to a Russell "Rusty" Olson... who also lived in Dell Jackson's trailer park back then. It looks like he's been a law abiding citizen and owns a bookkeeping business. I don't know if he had any connection to the 1986 case, or if him living in the trailer park and having a number that appeared in Mel's address book was a coincidence or not.

I did find an interesting connection. There's a 31 year old woman named Tovah Rippey. I think her dad is James Rippey, the guy that was living with Laura's co-worker/friend Cathy Wilson at the time of Laura's disappearance. He also worked for Al Rubles P.I. business. James, Tovah, and Cathy all lived at the same address at some point. All 3 of them had the same P.O. Box number too. I'm not sure if Cathy is Tovah's mom or not.

Tovah had kids with a guy named Michael McKee II. Michael's mom Selma is friends with ~~Bob~~ Tara Olson, who is somehow related to Russell Olson... But Kodiak is a small town, so some connections can be coincidences. Tara Olson is also Facebook friends with the Arndt that got arrested for laundering drug money.

James Rippey and Michael Arndt along with Michael Arndt's Construction Company were defendants in a civil case together in 1986. I would imagine that Michael and Wayne Arndt are probably related to each other.

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On one of the pages in Mcl's address book was "419 Caroline". There's a 419 Carolyn Street in Kodiak. A 62 year old Wayne L. Sargent once lived at that address. But the Wayne D. Sargent that lived in Kodiak, Lynwood, WA and now in Arizona is 73.

In Mike's letter he mentioned "Marvin Newland aka Marvin Tolva". It looks like they are two different people. Newland is 66 and lives in Oregon. Tolva is 74 and still lives in Alaska.

In the book there was something about Newland bailing Guy Carroll (1955-2007) out of jail so they could go fishing together. And that Guy told Newland what happened to Laura, and where her body was. Newland allegedly later told that information to Officer John Palmer, but Palmer never passed it on to the prosecution or your defense. Mike said that Guy was a rat, and that it was his guess that Newland might have been the killer... I don't know why a killer would try to help police unless they lied to them. I've also heard that Newland recorded his conversation with Palmer...

Paris had previously interviewed Guy Carroll, claimed that he didn't believe him, then lied about what happened to the tape recording of the interview. Guy was later attacked by Michael Putnam (1951-2005) who it sounds like was playing both sides. Paris had used Putnam as an informant in other cases too, but picked and chose when he believed him or not.



In Mike's letter he called Putnam "Mikey Putz", and said that he was one of the wannabees/hang arounds that couldn't keep their mouths shut. And that some of them were told false information because people knew they'd repeat it. If Mike felt that way about Putnam, I'm sure Mcl. knew not to trust Putnam either.

Paris said that he put Putnam near Mcl. and that Putnam ~~also~~ said that Mcl. told him that Laura needed to ~~shut up~~ but that he wouldn't have gotten himself involved in someone else's domestic problems.

It appears that Colleen Jones currently lives in Chignik Lagoon which had a population of 72 people in 2020. On her Facebook page her name is "Colleen Jones (Tinker Pedersen)" she has lots of Pedersen's on her friend list. I'm wondering if her last name was Pedersen before she got married.

In the book Rollie Port mentioned that a guy named Alex Pedersen told KPD that Laura's left shoe looked almost new when it was found out at Monaska with a bandaid in it on April 21, 1986. Even though the bandaid would have been on her right foot because her right foot was the one she got surgery on.

I looked him up and think his name might be Douglas A. Pedersen... Possibly related to Colleen Jones, He's lived in both Kodiak and Chignik Lagoon over the years. An alias for him is Alec D. Pedersen. He sometimes spells his last name with an "sen" and sometimes with an "son".

Sincerely,  
Cliff Anderson