

# Major John E. Cleckner, Senior, US Army Special Forces, Retired

Services for John E. Cleckner Sr. will be May 21st 2019 at Allen and Dahl Funeral Chapel 2655 Eureka Way Redding California 96001. The viewing will be at 9 a.m. services at 10 a.m. followed by the burial at Northern California Veteran Cemetery 11800 Gas Point Road Igo California 96047. There will be a Celebration of life to follow the burial location to be announced

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## Environmental Hypocrisy Equals More Forest Fires

Following the November 14<sup>th</sup> story on the Massive Forest Fires several other news outlets ran stories similar to the one on *News With Views*. The Department of the Interior Secretary Ryan Zinke toured the recent forest fires in Northern California and the following news stories document what he said as a result.

**Interior Secretary Ryan Zinke blames 'radical environmentalists' for deadly California wildfires**

By Paulina Dedaj     *Fox News*

**'The president's right': Interior chief pushes thinning forests to cut fire risk**

By Dale Kasler     *Sacramento Bee*

With the information documented in the previous *Fox News* story and the *Sacramento Bee* story regarding what Secretary Ryan Zinke said, it substantiates the documentation in my previous story.

For over 20 years I have monitored several **“radical environmental”** organizations. As a Montana licensed private investigator I spent one year as an infiltrator in Earth First (EF).

This one year gave me access to numerous other groups such as the Earth Liberation Front (ELF) whose beliefs are even more radical than those of EF. Another group not as radical at that time was the Southwest Center for Biological Diversity (SWCBD) but as in Northern California its actions caused a massive forest fire.

Among the recent staff of the SWCBD are former Earth First activist Keiran Suckling, Peter Galvin, Bill Haskins and Todd Schulke. While the Center’s staff has neither been charged nor convicted of any terrorism their beginning was somewhat controversial and circumspect.



**Kieran Suckling, Executive Director,** is a founder of the SWCBD.

Suckling is currently the executive director of the SWCBD and

the founder of the Earth First SWCBD. On April 27, 1998 Suckling, stated in the *Tucson Citizen*, "We're not trying to shut everything down." However at that time and currently this statement contradicts their apparent goals and the opinions of those whose jobs, lives and communities have been drastically impacted by the law suits filed by the SWCBD and other extremist groups on a national basis to stop logging /thinning activities.

**One example of these lawsuits was the Rodeo-Chedensky fire that left over 400 families' homeless and ultimately severely damaged the entire community. Many citizens of Arizona blamed "radical environmentalist" for the June 18, 2002, fire including Arizona Senator Jon Kyl. The criticism comes as a result of a lawsuit over the Mexican Spotted owl which prohibited timber interests from thinning and cleaning the forest floors.**

Suckling's resume shows he was a USFS employee, working as an "owl surveyor." During the beginning of his career as an Earth Firster, Suckling and the SWCBD were based in Silver City, New Mexico. Until Ted Turner's foundation and other foundations stepped in, Suckling and his fellow Earth Firsters were without funds. It was during this time that Suckling was arrested on November 26, 1994 in Silver City, New Mexico for shoplifting a pair of hiking boots at the local Wal-Mart store for which he plead "no contest."

In a *Denver Post* article, "An environmental group claimed responsibility for fires that caused \$12 million in damages to the facilities at the nation's busiest ski resort.

"Authorities have said the Earth Liberation Front cell was responsible for 20 arsons [actually current count is several hundred] around the West that did \$40 million in damage, including the 1998 fire that destroyed a restaurant and other facilities at the Vail ski area. Other targets included a horse slaughterhouse and U.S. Forest Service ranger stations,

research facilities, and an SUV dealership, all in Oregon.

"The group disbanded in 2001, but a federal task force known as Operation Backfire turned an informant and broke open the cell in 2005. The leader, William C. Rodgers, ran a bookstore in Prescott, Ariz. He committed suicide in jail in 2005 after his arrest.

"Chelsea Gerlach pleaded guilty to conspiracy, destruction of an energy facility and 23 counts of arson in 2007 and was sentenced to nine years in prison. As a member of the clandestine Family,

"Gerlach and others helped cell leader Rodgers in October 1998 haul fuel up to the Vail ski area. There, under the cloak of darkness, he torched the stately Two Elk Lodge and several other buildings and lifts, causing an estimated \$24 million in damage."

While thousands of people blame PG&E solely for the recent fires there are reasons to also look at the extremist groups that have prevented the US Forest Service and others for not cleaning the massive fuel buildup for the current fires.

According to Martin Espinoza Spinoza of the *Press Democrat* on June 19, 2018 Celebrity environmental crusader Erin Brockovich, who made famous by an Oscar-winning film about her work fighting PG&E, has joined the legal team representing more than 1,500 North Bay residents suing the utility company over last year's wildfires.

Brockovich, who addressed a crowd of fire survivors Tuesday in Santa Rosa, has been brought on as a consultant for Mauro Archer & Associates and Watts Guerra LLP because of her long history working on lawsuits against PG&E, said former state Sen. Noreen Evans, a Santa Rosa attorney with Watts Guerra.

Google the following and it will give one a broader insight to information on the radical groups and what they advocate.

**Deep ecology** – From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

**Timeline of Earth Liberation Front actions** – From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia.

**Religion, violence and radical environmentalism** – From Earth First! to the Unabomber to the earth liberation front.

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Mr. Clausen has been a guest on over 250 U.S. and Canadian radio talk shows and TV news shows including ABC, CBS, NBC and repeatedly on FOX News.

He has been featured or quoted in over 800 books, magazines and news articles including the San Francisco Chronicle, Washington Post, Vancouver Province, Canada's B.C. Report, New York Times, Newsday, Seattle Times, Oregonian, Sacramento Bee, Christian Science Monitor, The Dallas Morning News and a lengthy article beginning on the front page of the Wall Street Journal.

Mr. Clausen's information has been translated and used by publications in many foreign countries including Japan, Ireland, England, Turkey, Germany, France and Chile.

In 1994, a film crew from Danish TV-2 flew to Seattle to interview Mr. Clausen for a television documentary about international and U.S. extremist organizations. The documentary, A MAN IN THE RAINBOW, was subsequently aired in several European countries.

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# Massive California Fires Are Unnecessary



By Barry Clausen

## Environmental Hypocrisy?

*Note: As you can see, in the past this revised story has been run in several publications including NewsWithViews.com in 2012 and 2014 and to this day little has been done regarding the source of the fuel for these increasing forest and wildfires. Currently, as the forests and the communities around them continue to burn and take lives, you can thank the U.S. Forest Service (USFS) and radical environmentalists for their actions or in many cases their inactions.*

*During the early part of the 1980's I was employed as a USFS employee in Ennis, Montana, my job was to write brochures related to the experiences we Americans can enjoy on our public lands. It was during this time I studied Pine Beetles and Dwarf Mistletoe, which at that time were just beginning to get established in many of our National Forests.*

*"Happy Camp, in northern California is where the Karuk Tribal Headquarters are located. In years past the actions of the Tribe along with environmentalist are responsible for the five local timber mills shutting down. Once that happened tree thinning of dead and dying trees halted in the area which allowed fuel loads to go unchecked.*

*Happy Camp is dominated by Forest Service land that*

encompasses 6,000 acres of private land and 600,000 acres of public land, once the environmentalists and Karuk Tribe had halted timber sales, many tribal members had to leave town to find jobs. Today, shamefully, Happy Camp has become famous for drugs.

U.S. Forest Service (USFS) employees throughout the west say an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) or an Environmental Review (ER) can take from one (1) to ten (10) years to complete. Upon completion, there is an additional process for logging contracts or to thin trees on our National and State forest lands. Upon conclusion of that process, environmental groups file lawsuits to stop any logging while homes burn along with our forests and in some cases causing deaths.

The following two paragraphs and the pictures were taken from Evergreen Magazine in 2012.



“What is happening in Colorado this summer is happening all over the 11 western states: Oregon, California, Arizona, Idaho, Wyoming, South Dakota, Montana, Washington and New

Mexico. And it will continue to happen in progressively larger and more deadly scales until the federal government [that would be Congress] gets serious about doing the thinning and stand tending work necessary to reduce the risk of stand replacing wildfires in overstocked and dying federally-owned forests.

“The “hobby forestry” projects the Forest Service is currently conducting aren’t making a dent in the crisis we face. Large-scale, long-term projects that pay their own way [meaning no

taxpayer subsidies] are the only solution. We have the science, manpower, technology and markets needed to do this work safely and successfully in an environmentally sound way. And still Congress refuses to act. Meanwhile, depending on whose estimate you wish to accept, somewhere between 40 and 60 million acres of federal timberland in the west are ready to burn with the next lightning strike or abandoned campfire.”



By 2014, decades later with little being done about the parasites, they have left many of our National Forests overrun by Pine Beetles leaving millions of acres of dead and dying trees. With the millions of acres of dead trees dropping their nettles to the ground, the possibility of massive fires is astounding. As you travel the highway from Bozeman, Montana to the hereby town of Livingston, instead of flourishing green trees the mountains are covered in brown trees – dead from Pine Beetles. Sadly this is true in several other western states as well.

Using the Butte National forest as just one example, the Native Eco System Alliance and the Alliance For The Wild Rockies file lawsuits and in almost all cases they have been successful in halting timber sales. The Butte National Forest has 3.4 million acres of federal lands and as of 2014 1.3 million of those acres are either dead or dying. There were three logging sales pending in the Butte forest, they are the Fleece Sale, the East Deer Lodge Valley Sale and the Flint Foothill Sale and all were being protested and in the process



of being halted because of the environmental groups legal maneuvers.

As environmentalists fight to stop logging in the forest, one has to wonder if they realize what dangers they are promoting to families, their homes and the forests.

Wildlife and ecosystems they rely on are destroyed. Streams become polluted and fish die and when the rains come massive mudslides are inevitable. In the past there have been some radical environmentalists from Eugene, Oregon that say it is better to burn the forests than to allow timber companies to log. One has to ask the question, is it better to destroy homes and our forests by using our tax dollars to further their radical agenda than to have healthy flourishing forests as a result of responsible forest management?

Throughout the west it is the same story, environmentalists creating havoc with American industry. In just one case, in December of 2009 logging activity was halted in the Six River National Forest after Karuk Tribal activists blockaded logging roads. The Karuk were working with three radical environmental groups, the Environmental Protection Information Center (EPIC), Klamath Forest Alliance, and Klamath Siskiyou Wildlands Center who stated in their jointly filed lawsuit that they were against that logging plan. These groups and the Tribe ultimately prevailed in that lawsuit.

Another example of thousands I can site is about one of the most despised persons in Northern California for over two decades is the radical environmentalist Felice Pace of the Klamath Forest Alliance. Pace has worked aggressively against not only the timber industry but also against farmers and ranchers by continually testifying to the North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board that farmers and ranchers are ignorant of good agricultural practices. Additionally, Pace has worked with the Karuk's efforts to stop all logging and hobby gold dredging on the Klamath River which is destroying

local communities as a result of abolishing the tourist trade. While at the same time many of Pace's associates have been involved in the growing of marijuana on America's National Forests near Happy Camp.

To reiterate, it is time (2018/2019) to save our National Forests with the help of our elected officials. Using President Obama who's staff controlled the USFS, California's Governor, Jerry Brown and California's Assemblyman Jim Nielsen as examples, so many of them apparently believe it is better to criticize each other, to lie, cheat and steal to further their own political agenda and financial gain instead of dealing with radical environmental groups that are damaging America's resources and economy.

According to an alleged tweet on November 10, 2018 President Trump stated, "more than 4,000 are fighting the Camp and Woolsey Fires in California that have burned over 170,000 acres. Our hearts are with those fighting the fires, the 52,000 who have evacuated, and the families of the 11 who have died. The destruction is catastrophic. God Bless them all."

Another alleged tweet by Trump on Saturday November 10, 2018 he blamed the wildfires on "gross mismanagement" of the state's forests, and threatened to withdraw federal funding from California. "There is no reason for these massive, deadly and costly forest fires in California except that forest management is so poor."

Now that President Trump is in office it is time for all Americans to stand firm and demand change within the USFS and do what is necessary to make that stand a reality and mandate to do what is necessary to prevent the destruction of our forests, the thousands of homes & structures and most of all the deaths of our most beloved citizens.

California Governor Jerry Brown went public with his version of the massive California wild fires. Brown seems to think the

fires in California are a direct result of 'Global Warming' without even mentioning the possibility of any other cause like poor forest management or the cause of massive fuel loads as a result of millions of dead and dying trees. Nor has he commented on the tremendous amounts of carbons flooding the atmosphere from these out of control forest and wildfires.

**If all the concerned citizens of our country would all call their elected officials in the Senate and Congress and demand change we "might" see a difference if they are indeed concerned about our National Forests.**

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## **FBI – A Dishonest Law Enforcement Agency? Part 4, The Unabomber Case**



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**Part Four – The Unabomber Case**

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To summarize: I have sent letters to FBI Special Agent Sean Ragan 935 Pennsylvania Ave NW Washington, D.C. 20535-0001 and to FBI Director Christopher Wray 2001 Freedom Way, Roseville, CA 95678 with no response. (Letters in part one).

Additionally, in part [1](#), [2](#), [3](#) and now part 4 I had supplied information to the FBI on the Leonard Peltier case, the Unabomber case and illegal gun sales to Alcohol, Tobacco & Firearms (ATF). Years later during (2017/2018) the FBI has continued to try to discredit me and continually lie about me in what appears to be a deliberate attempt to prevent me from any future employment within law enforcement like investigating the recent arson fires in the Oakland area of California.

On October 22, 1988, Montana's Park County Sheriff Charlie Johnson had requested my help in obtaining intelligence information on drug trafficking within his county. During that time a Park County, Montana rancher Allen Carter had approached me and offered me the opportunity to purchase an AR-15 rifle that had been converted to a full automatic machine gun. Carter gave me the weapon on condition it could be tested before purchase. When my boss Sheriff Johnson refused to accept the weapon from me when I tried to turn in the illegal weapon he then ordered that the gun be returned to Carter. There was no choice in my mind what to do so I turned

the machine-gun over to Gary Lincoln of the FBI in Butte, Montana. My belief was that Lincoln would order an investigation but nothing happened until 18 months later, at which time charges were filed against me by Alcohol, Tobacco & Firearms (ATF) for stealing it from Carter and converting it which is totally bogus and the investigation ATF claimed they did was nothing but a lie.

Through all of the issues mentioned I went to ranking Montana public officials to clear my name as a result of the charges by ATF and the problems I had with the FBI. One of those was Montana's Attorney General Marc Racicot who I knew personally. When he ran for office I had helped him, however when I requested help from Racicot, he stated: "I wouldn't touch this with a ten foot pole, I want to be governor next time." He was successful in obtaining that position.

Wait a minute! Racicot had said that he could not help me in his new position as governor and referred me to the man who took his prior position. Why hadn't he done something when he was attorney general? I did contact Attorney General Mazurek and again nothing was done.

Senator Burn's staff was relentless in their effort to get to the truth. For over two years letters were exchanged. To me there was a little humor in one of those letters. Senator Burns sent it on December 16, 1993 to Mr. James O. Pasco, Assistant Director, Congressional Affairs & Media Affairs of ATF. "Upon reviewing the information provided, some additional questions come to mind. The response is a little confusing in one regard. According to ATF, "a thorough review" was conducted. However a statement follows that 'no such records exist. My question is – what happened to the documents generated by the "thorough review." I would accept that no records of an "investigation" exist, but are the records of the "review" available to my constituent? The answer is they did nothing.

There was never any admission of responsibility from ATF, but as recently as February 2000, the head of ATF Internal Affairs, Richard Hankinson encouraged me to resubmit my complaint against Carter and ATF, which was done again with no response.

Unlike Racicot and Mazurek, the two who did help me despite all the negative press regarding the ATF "investigation" were Senators Conrad Burns (R-MT) and Slade Gorton (R-WA). With their much-appreciated help, the truth was eventually uncovered. According to ATF and other government documents the "investigation" was not really an investigation but a "thorough review" and there were no records.

When I was interviewed by Brian Ross of ABC News for a news story he asked me why I believe an ECO -Fu\*\*er Hit list in a publication by Earth First was something the Unabomber had used to select his targets, the answer was simple. With eleven company names on the list, what were the odds of two of the top three being the last two victims of the Unabomber? Also, the name of the California Forestry Association had been printed wrong. The Unabomber sent his bomb to the Forestry Association of California when the correct name of the organization had been changed to the California Forestry Association several years earlier.

Thomas Mosser, a public relations executive who Earth First claimed represented Exxon, had received one of the Unabomber's bombs. This information also proved to be incorrect, as Mosser did not represent Exxon. Just another erroneous piece of information he took from the Litha 1993, *Earth First Journal*.

Almost immediately, the FBI announced they suspected the bombing had been the work of the "Unabomber." I knew at that point the Unabomber was part of Earth First and this could only mean one or more members of Earth First had taken the violence to a new level.

An article by Lorenzo Kom'boa Ervin in the same *LIVE WILD or DIE* called for the assassination of the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Shell Oil Company. The article then lists names and addresses of Shell Oil Company's corporate executives in several countries including the United States.

The current authors remain anonymous. To give you an idea of the ideologies and outright filth contained within the publication, the following is exactly as it appears on the cover of the publication:



**'If it is good enough for the Unabomber, Barry Clausen, USA Today, the FBI, and ABC News then it is good enough for you! LIVE WILD OR DIE – INSIDE: THE COLLAPSE OF CIVILIZATION VEGANISM CARMAGEDDON HOW TO D.I.Y. HEMP EVOLUTION AS FACT NUCLEAR MADNESS IMPERIALISM AS CANCER CLASS WAR MAKE YOUR OWN MEDIA C\*\*TS! TAMPONS! & DOZERS! PREPARING FOR REVOLUTION AND MORE!!!'**

The most recent LWOD publication contains yet another "ECO-F\*\*KER HIT LIST" along with a news article from the Earth Liberation Front (ELF). The first name on the new "HIT LIST" is once again the Timber Association of California with an X through CFA's name and a written caption stating: **"Who's next?"**

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# FBI – A Dishonest Law Enforcement Agency? The Peltier & Unabomber Case



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## Part 3 – The Peltier & Unabomber Case

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## **This is more information on both the Peltier & Unabomber case**

Actor Robert Redford was one of Peltier's biggest advocates. He had even gone as far as producing the documentary "Incident at Oglala" which I had just been viewed. My decision was to let others decide if the information I had compiled was valid. For the purpose of accuracy in my reports all my phone calls had been recorded for the past several years. This included conversations regarding the Peltier case and others. The tapes were my documented, indisputable proof. Hopefully, Redford's staff might be interested in what I had uncovered. It turns



out I was correct.

On June 16, 1992 I called Redford's office and explained to his assistant Joyce Deep about the information in my possession. The conversation was short and to the point. "Yes," she said they were interested. The following morning, at the request and expense of Robert Redford, I flew from Seattle to Washington, D.C. to meet with the late Senator Daniel K. Inouye (D-HI) and attorneys interested in helping with the Peltier case. The information I had about the case, concerns for my personal safety, and the ramifications that the information could produce had been part of my decision not to come forward with the information until then.

When my flight arrived in D.C., attorney Mick Harrison of the Government Accountability Project (GAP) picked me up. Harrison had been told by Joyce Deep to meet with me, review my information and determine if the information was credible. Our meeting lasted well into the night. Harrison and two other members of the GAP, Danny Gold and Ingrid Brunk, listened intently and asked a lot of questions as each aspect of my findings were laid out for their review.

Late that evening, Harrison called Deep at her home in California and informed her the information was valid. As part of the agreement, Deep stipulated that she be in attendance at the presentation I made to the Senator. She arrived in D.C. just prior to the noon meeting.

We all arrived at the Senator's office a few minutes early and introductions were made. We were then escorted to the conference room, and at exactly noon, Senator Inouye walked in.

At the end of the one-hour presentation, Senator Inouye asked me three questions.

"Can you prove what you just said?"

"Yes."

"Do you have any kind of a criminal record?"

"No."

"Will you testify before the entire Senate about what you just told me?"

"Yes."

To document the meeting, a videotape was made that afternoon; it reiterated what had been said in the Senator's office. I had agreed to the taping on the condition the original remain in my possession. In addition, as part of our agreement, a copy of the tape was made upon my return to Seattle and sent to Redford's staff.

I was later told that (allegedly) the Late Senator had been told by a member of the FBI that I was a person that he should not listen to. In addition, Redford had also (allegedly) received threats for the work he had done on the Peltier case. *Numerous attempts to contact Redford and Deep were unsuccessful.* It's important to note here that Dino Butler and Bob Robideau were the men who allegedly stole Doug Durham's weapon. Butler and Robideau were two defendants charged in the original murder trial of the deaths of FBI agents. After five days of deliberation the jury in that trial returned on July 16, 1976 to deliver verdicts of "not guilty" against Dino Butler and Bob Robideau on each of the four counts against them. Based on all the information I have obtained it does not appear that neither man shot the agents.

### **More information on the Unabomber case**

Gil Murray, president of the California Forestry Association (CFA) invited me to speak at the CFA's annual conference in Sacramento in January of 1995. Murray and his staff thought informing their membership of the possibility of expanded

terrorism against timber interests would be of benefit to those attending the conference.

As part of my speech I always explained to the audience that Earth First is an organization that advocates anarchy, terrorism and revolution through their publication, the *Earth First Journal*. "Terrorists – Not Us" is always the response by those Earth Firsters in the audience.

I remember vividly the chain of events that led to my discovery that Gil Murray was killed by a bomb. The date was April 24, 1995. The very end of a news story stated erroneously that a U.S. Forest Service (USFS) office had been bombed and there was a death.

While listening to the news report, I thought about the continual growing anger towards the USFS and Earth First by loggers, miners and ranchers. Surprisingly, there had been no violence by natural resource-dependent companies and employees. Allegations were numerous, of course, as Earth First members continually cry to the media about the violence directed at them and the press eats it up.

Upon arrival at my office that day my message machine was completely full. There were messages from ABC, NBC, CBS and every major newspaper in the country. What surprised me was that the bombing I heard about on my car radio was not a USFS office as reported earlier but rather the CFA office and the death was the man who had asked me to warn his members about future violence against his industry.

Gil Murray was dead. He had been blown apart from the waist up. Even though the following is very descriptive, it clearly shows what happens when a bomb explodes in an office or a home. I for one cannot possibly imagine the impact and resulting effect this event has had on the thousands of people connected to the victim. When describing Murray's death, author Ron Arnold wrote in *ECOTERROR – The Violent Agenda To*

*Save Nature – The World Of The Unabomber.*

“Gil Murray stood alone in the lobby. He laid the wooden container on the chest-high reception counter and opened it.

“There was a brief flash.

“The device expanded in all directions. Four streams of hot metal separated from the spherical blossom of light.

“A blast of snapped-in-half wood screws and tiny melted machine parts shot straight down the hallway where Lisa Tuter had stood a moment before, slicing off drywall as it went and snapping into the kitchen wall at the back of the building nearly a hundred feet away.

“A vortex jetted straight ahead, piercing the wall behind the reception desk and burying dozens of little projectiles in a row of steel filing cabinets in the next room.

“The device lid lifted on a gaseous ram, shredding the heavy false ceiling, pounding through heating ducts and piercing the roof deck, letting jagged sunlight into its slipstream.

“The main thrust of the detonation did not throw Gil Murray back from the counter. It cut through him. It ripped off his face and an arm. It embedded the bulk of his chest in the wall behind him, then bowed the wall into an adjoining storeroom, toppling heavily loaded bookcases on the far side. It riddled the reception area with pieces of his body. What was left fell to the floor? The shattered false ceiling collapsed over him. Flames and acrid smoke billowed outward.

“Total elapsed time: Less than seven-tenths of a second”.



It should also be noted that during the last two weeks I have now spoken with White House staff on three occasions. It is rewarding to know all of my stories have not gone unnoticed.

By the end of the year my new book will be released providing the FBI once again doesn't something creative. The following is a draft copy of the cover.

FBI: Americas Most Dishonest Law Enforcement Agency?  
Phony Charges, Lies & Falsehoods

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## **FBI – A Dishonest Law Enforcement Agency?, Part 2 The Unabomber Case**



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Shortly after my first book was released I was residing in Port Ludlow, Washington. My friend Private Investigator, Mike Mohr and I were enjoying a beer in the Valley Tavern when a large group of men entered. Observing their profiles and demeanor, both Mike and I almost simultaneously said, “cops.” The group ordered pitchers of beer and began to play pool.

The inside of the building was warm and when the officers took off their coats one had an emblem on his shirt that said “Northwest Law Enforcement Command College.” I was curious, and being a fair pool shot, I challenged the table. Soon I was engaged in conversation with several of the officers. It turned out they represented several Washington State law enforcement agencies that were attending an FBI Command College at the Port Ludlow Resort, the same resort where I kept my Sailboat.

The next morning I worked on my sailboat for a while. It was just a short walk to the resort from my boat, so I ventured

over to the resort meeting facilities to survey the conference. That day was the last of the three-day conference and there was a dinner scheduled for that evening.

I showed up in slacks and sport coat with two cases of my book, *Walking on the Edge*. I was sure no one would mind if I passed out a few free books to the officers in attendance, some of whom I knew. To my surprise when I entered the dining room, there was FBI Special Agent, Thomas M. Kuker. I approached Kuker and introduced myself. Kuker responded by stating:

"I know who you are."

"Would you mind if I pass out a few free books to some of the officers I know?"

"Yes, I would. Will you please leave?"

"Does that mean I don't get to stay for dinner?"

Kuker was really upset. He informed me that not only was I not welcome, but also he didn't like my book. I wasn't going to be intimidated by a representative of an agency that had been involved in trying to put me in prison or by a man who had consistently avoided helping the victims of domestic terrorism. There are some very good FBI agents; however, my criticism has always been directed at the leadership, and, as head of the Seattle FBI office, Kuker fit right in.

I went to the reception area of the resort and was followed by two of Kuker's agents. Once in the lobby, I moved a table towards the entrance of the dining room and began putting my books on display. The agents reported back to Kuker, who immediately called the resort's food service manager Mark Torres. Mark and I knew each other. Being the professional he is, Torres asked me to leave as the FBI had requested.

"Mark this is the lobby, therefore open to the public. Unless

I am causing a disturbance there is no reason for me to leave."

I explained the situation to Torres as I handed him a free book and told him that I was just giving away books. As I looked toward the end of the room, there was Kuker and the two agents staring at us. Torres proceeded back to where Kuker was and again engaged in conversation.

It was not acceptable to Kuker that I be allowed to stay in the lobby of the resort, telling Mark to have me arrested.

After Torres explained to me he would have to do as requested, I told him, "Go tell Kuker I'm not leaving. Can you imagine what tomorrow's headlines will read, Local Author Arrested at FBI Convention."

Acting as negotiator between Kuker and myself, Torres told the FBI agent what I had said. Kuker was visually upset and, according to Torres, he said, "Let him give away his f\*\*king books." The dining room doors closed. Kuker may have been in charge, but against his obvious frustration, when the dining room doors opened, I was there. A large number of the attending officers lined up to receive their free copies of my book. Kuker wasn't in line.

Port Ludlow is located on the Olympic Peninsula and the return trip to Seattle is by the Kingston/Edmonds ferry. The next morning I was in line early headed for Seattle, as were many of the officers that had observed the confrontation between Kuker and myself. They invited me to have coffee with them. During the ferry commute I was surprised; each one of the eight officers were totally in support of my actions. One gave me his Northwest Law Command College shirt (shown) as a remembrance and others chuckled while congratulating me for challenging Kuker and his cronies.

When it came to the Unabomber information the FBI was so convinced my information was correct; they sent undercover



agents to Missoula, Montana. One of those was Special Agent Candice DeLong who had joined the Bureau in 1980 and had worked with Agent Don Glasser on other cases. (Both she and Glasser had been involved in the investigation and arrests of the Puerto Rican terrorists Clinton released from prison in 1999).

After meeting with Agent Glasser I decided not to wait for the FBI to act. I believed if I could get an article in the press it would push the FBI into acting. On August 2, 1995 I called Cynthia Hubert a reporter for the *Sacramento Bee* about what was labeled the "Eco-F\*\*ker Hit List." Of the 12 company names on the list, two of the top three were the last victims of the Unabomber. I didn't believe this to be a coincidence. Cynthia's story ran the next day.

The reason I am submitting this story is because of the series that just aired on television about Theodore Kaczynski the Unabomber during September of 2017. The series claims to be taken from a true story. However, there are portions that are totally inaccurate and there is absolutely no truth within those portions of the TV series. The FBI was given all the credit for finding Kaczynski in the series, when in fact it was others including U.S. Senators Burns (MT) and Gorton (WA) who helped figure out who the Unabomber actually was.

Another dishonest story aired on Fox News on March 14, 2018 when a retired FBI Agent Jim Fitzgerald was introduced as the agent that discovered who and where Theodore Kaczynski was during his arrest. Fitzgerald was the featured FBI Agent in the 2017 Unabomber series.

I believe these are blatant lies by government officials just as the many others prior to the FBI's false claim that they did all the work. The Unabomber used the list to select his last two victims and a copy of the list was found in Kaczynski's cabin when it was searched.

Earth First claims this edition of *Live Wild or Die (LWOD)* was not of their doing, however that is simply not true. The *LWOD* publication containing the “Eco-F\*\*ker Hit List” was given to me by long time Earth Firster Mitch Friedman.

Prior to admitted Unabomber Theodore Kaczynski’s arrest I had profiled him with the help of the late Tony Snow of Gannet News Service and as a result, the FBI was aware that he had attended a radical environmentalist meeting on November 10, 1994 in Missoula, Montana, 30 days prior to his assassination of Thomas Mosser of [Burson·Marsteller](#).

When I ask retired FBI agents, “Do you know if the Unabomber’s brother turned him in before the information I gave the FBI regarding Kaczynski. I was told that my Information was used first.”

The response from both was almost identical, “They had made Kuker’s wife the case agent well before the brother (Kaczynski’s) talked with retired agent Clint Van Zant.”

This is very relevant as FBI agents gave my information to Kuker well prior to his wife took over the case.

It should also be noted that during the last two weeks I have talked with White House staff on two occasions. It is rewarding to know all my stories have not gone unnoticed.

By the end of the year my new book will be released providing the FBI once again does something creative. The following is a draft copy of the cover.

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# **FBI – A Dishonest Law Enforcement Agency?**

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## **Part 1 of 3 – The Leonard Peltier Murder Case**

Many mysterious events have transpired during my life as a result of law enforcement investigations that I have been involved with. The events were of a serious federal nature that cost many individuals their lives. While I was the main investigator in many cases I was seldom mentioned and did not receive credit for the work I accomplished. Instead many others took credit for my work with the Peltier murder case and the Unabomber case.

It wasn't until the first part of 2018 that I discovered why. As explained to me by agents of the Alcohol Tobacco & Firearms (ATF) and retired FBI Agents there has been a very negative piece of information into my FBI Bureau file regarding myself. This one piece of information has cost me tens of thousands of dollars in potential work, both as a law enforcement officer and as a Montana licensed private investigator.

It all began when at one point of my life I became the recipient of information relevant to the Leonard Peltier murder case. Peltier a Native American who has currently spent forty two years in a federal prison for murders I firmly believe he did not commit. That belief is based on confidential intelligence information from the late FBI infiltrator Doug Durham, two FBI Agents and one sheriff along with ballistic reports of the shooting. Peltier was convicted of the murders of two FBI Agents (Williams & Coler) at the Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota.

What transpired on October 22, 1988, Montana's Park County

Sheriff Charlie Johnson had requested my help in obtaining intelligence information on drug trafficking within his county. During that time a Park County, Montana rancher Allen Carter had approached me and offered me the opportunity to purchase an AR-15 rifle that had been converted to a full automatic machine gun. Carter gave me the weapon on condition it could be tested before purchase. When my boss Sheriff Johnson refused to accept the weapon from me when I tried to turn in the illegal weapon he then ordered that the gun be returned to Carter. There was no choice in my mind so I turned the machine-gun over to Gary Lincoln of the FBI in Butte, Montana. My belief was that Lincoln would order an investigation but nothing happened until 18 months later, at which time charges were filed against me by ATF for stealing it from Carter and converting it which is totally bogus.

Eventually, I sued and at the end of the investigation there was an out of court settlement from all concerned. Each of the counties involved gave me a check and Carter made payments for quite some time. As part of the settlement Park County Attorney Nels Swandal sent my attorney John Doubek of Small, Hatch, Doubek & Pyter in Helena, Montana a letter of apology.

During those 18 months federal agents discovered that I had obtained information about the Peltier case that they apparently didn't want made public, therefore the fictitious investigation was contrived. Primarily their concern was the information in my files about the Peltier case. The purpose of the fictitious investigation as it was discovered later was to protect two brothers, John and Doug Durham, who are featured in this story. According to Carter himself, and other firsthand witnesses, John Durham had purchased fully automatic machine guns from him before. Doug Durham was an FBI infiltrator in the American Indian Movement (AIM) starting in 1973.

In the summer of 1988 during a conversation with Madison County, Montana Sheriff Lee Edmisten leaned over and in a

secretive tone of voice asked,

"You know Durham? What do you know about the ballistic reports... you know, the killing of the FBI agents at Pine Ridge?"

What was Edmisten talking about? I knew nothing about FBI agents being killed and certainly had no idea what Pine Ridge had to do with John Durham. As the realization of what Edmisten was talking about sunk in, he said:

"Ballistic reports show it was Durham's gun that killed the agents. Durham did it."

I had never said anything to anyone about any ballistics reports so Edmisten's comment was a shock. In reality, Edmisten was talking about Doug Durham, not John. My first question to Sheriff Edmisten was to ask where he got his information. He replied, "Someone told me," refusing to completely answer the question. Less than one month later during a visit to Edmisten's home in Sheridan, Montana he told me he had received the information from FBI Agent Gary Lincoln who was located in Butte Montana.

Several months following my conversation with Edmisten, Dallas, Texas FBI Agent Dave Gillis and I discussed that conversation and the Pine Ridge ballistics report. After explaining to Gillis that Edmisten had told me it was Durham's weapon that was used to kill FBI Agents Ronald Williams and Jack Coler at Pine Ridge, Gillis told me he did not know agent Lincoln or Sheriff Edmisten, but he did confirm the information was correct, it was Durham's gun. On two occasions, he told me it was in fact Durham's weapon. Here were two FBI agents who did not know each other and both had the same information about Durham's weapon. This was not just a coincidence.

While many say, it is common knowledge that the "AR-15" allegedly used by Peltier to kill the FBI agents could not be

linked to a .223 shell casing found near the bodies. It has also been said that an FBI communiqué invalidated the testimony of the FBI ballistics expert at Peltier's trial and that information about the ballistics report was illegally withheld from Peltier's defense.

What is not common knowledge is that the ballistics report shows the gun in question, according to Gillis, Edmisten, and apparently Lincoln, was in fact Doug Durham's.

The questions I had, and still have, are if Edmisten got the information about the ballistics report from Lincoln, as he stated, how did Gary Lincoln know about Durham's weapon? How did Lincoln know of my relationship with Doug Durham, and how did he know that it was Durham's weapon that was used in the shooting of two FBI agents? Was all of this information common knowledge within the FBI?

As a result of my belief, I began to experience many unexplained problems with the U.S. Department of Justice, only to learn that the problems were allegedly a deliberate, orchestrated attempt to keep me quiet about the deaths of the two FBI members many years in the past as well as the information I possess related to the Unabomber case. This is the case where Theodore Kaczynski sent bombs to numerous individuals through our country. I will explain this in **The Next Two Parts of This Story** of this continuing story.

During the recent part of 2017/18 the FBI has been criticized for many actions the agency has taken against numerous political figures. I have been trying to expose what the FBI has done to me for several years. It began when I became the recipient of information related to the "Incident at Pine Ridge."

Another possibility related to what the FBI has done to me is the confrontation I had with FBI Special Agent Tomas Kuker at an FBI Law Enforcement Command College at the Port Ludlow

Resort in Washington State. I will explain the confrontation between myself and Kuker in **The next Two Parts of This Story** of this story.

In late 2017 I received a surprise phone call from an ATF Special Agent who is a "Certified Fire Investigator." I was asked if I would consider helping with investigating many of the recent arson fires in California. The fires have cost companies millions of dollars in damage. Some where the Earth Liberation Front (ELF) has taken credit and I have been very successful with investigating crimes committed by the ELF. As expected I did not receive an answer when I wrote to the FBI Director Christopher Wray in Washington D.C. and to FBI Special Agent Sean Ragan in Roseville, California.

The following is a copy of the letter sent to both Special Agents.

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April 29, 2018

To: FBI Director Christopher Wray  
935 Pennsylvania Ave NW  
Washington, D.C. 20535-0001

Dear Mr. Wray:

This is a difficult letter to compose as I usually support the FBI. There is however information that has come to light that agents within the bureau have done their best to discredit me and that is unacceptable. My new book has all of this information in it, the title being:

*"FBI Americas Most Dishonest Law Enforcement Agency. Documented Phony Charges, Lies & Falsehoods. Written By Barry*

*R. Clausen, Investigative Journalist, Author, Researcher & Former Deputy Sheriff."*

As your staff can read, my information and that of two U.S. Senators had the pertinent information that Agent Clint Van Zant used to solve the Unabomber case. I gave the information to Agent Don Glasser who at that time was on the Case. Agent Tomas Kuker immediately took him off the case and put his own wife in charge. Documents show that I gave the information to the FBI prior to his brother coming forward. I was working undercover and I know where Kaczynski was on November 10, 1994 just 30 days prior to him killing Tomas Mosser of Burston-Marsteller

I also have the documents that show the FBI is responsible for some federal prisoners being incarcerated when they are in fact innocent. There are just too many lies being spread and before my book is published I would like to take care of the lies. That can make the book a very honest/interesting piece of information for the American public to read.

I have been offered a job with a Federal Agency and members of that agency have told me they cannot hire me as a result of derogatory information supplied to them by the FBI.

Will you **please** make an interview with you or someone within your agency possible? I hope to hear from you by May 15, 2018





Thank you in advance for your help:  
Barry R. Clausen

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Americas Most Dishonest Law Enforcement Agency?

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# **VA Blames Disabled Veterans For All VAs Problems**

## **VA Lies – A Continuing Legal Fight**

On October 7, 2017 I received a letter from Veterans Administration (VA) E. Douglas Bradshaw, Chief Counsel, Torts

& Administrative Law dated October 16, 2015. This letter was a surprise for two reasons. First, Bradshaw's letter appeared to be a response letter even though I had never written to Bradshaw and second, the letter was dated nearly two years before the date-stamp on the envelope (October 4, 2017) in which the letter arrived to my house.

In new letter from Bradshaw dated Dec 18, 2017 he claims to not understand how that happened and based on what he wrote and how he worded it, apparently, he is blaming me for the error. Is this just more of the VA's continuing harassment to deny payments to disabled Veterans?

Following is a copy of my response to Bradshaw. CC: President Donald Trump, Dr. David J. Shulkin, Secretary of Veterans Affairs, Senator Jon Tester, Dr. Phil Show, Fox News, ABC, NBC, CBS & numerous others.



In August 2013 I was in a vehicle accident. My VA doctor at that time was Digpal Chauhan (Picture) at McClellan VA Medical Hospital. He treated me for a cough for about four months after the accident with cough syrup and pills. The treatment lasted until the end of the year 2013.

Chauhan told me and my wife that he was a "*lung expert*" and went on to say he was also a "*brain expert*" and that I had mental problems, not physical ones.

Four (4) days after those comments in his office I died at home on January 13, 2014. My wife gave me CPR and brought me back to life. She then took me to the VA hospital at Mather, CA. It was found that I had blood clots in both lungs and

heart failure which had been ongoing during the time Chauhan had been treating me for a cough. I developed a bleed from the IV blood thinners which covered the entire right side of my body and it was determined that I would require surgery to insert a blood filter.

The surgery could not be performed at Mather so I was put in an ambulance and transported to David Grant Hospital at Travis Air Force Base where I was operated on. I spent two weeks in the hospital where I almost died again. All because I had large blood clots in both lungs and heart failure. Not just the simple cough that I was being treated for.

There are four VA officials who have told me that Chauhan was forced to resign much later as a result of what he had done to me and to other Veterans.

My fight with VA Attorney Suzanne Will who denied my tort claim has been ongoing for years as she has lied to me several times and appearances clearly show she had been protecting Chauhan and that is provable. She like Chauhan has resigned from the VA, with the reason yet to be explained. In a letter I received from Will dated September 29, 2014 she states, ***"Our review did not find any negligent or wrongful act or omission on the part of a Department of VA employee acting within the scope of his or her employment that resulted in harm to you as a result of treatment by the VA Northern California Health Care System."***

There are other Veterans whose cases are similar to mine. One of those is that of 68 year old Vietnam Veteran John Porter when he accepted a settlement from the VA for \$550,000 as a result of a VA doctor misdiagnosing his heart treatment three years earlier. This case is just one more case that the VA denies it was an error by a VA doctor.

**The following letter was sent to E. Douglas Bradshaw by me on November 22, 2017.**

Department of Veterans Affairs  
Attention E. Douglas Bradshaw  
Chief Counsel, Torts & Administrative Law  
810 Vermont Avenue N.W.  
Washington D.C. 20420

RE: The letter received from your office dated, October 16, 2015 which arrived in an envelope with U.S.P.S. Mail date stamp of October 4<sup>th</sup> 2017, referencing the retired VA Secretary Bob McDonald, Suzanne Will and Mary Bell.

Dear Mr. Bradshaw:

I am writing to you at this time for your assistance. I am so weary of the numerous lies that VA Officials have created in my case. It has been asserted that there was an investigation into my submitted Tort claim but, Sir, there was never an investigation into my Tort claim and this fact is well beyond provable.

As a result of all of what follows, in the middle of August, 2017 I had a complete mental and physical breakdown. With my continual disgust and frustration of VA Attorney Suzanne Will, Ret (see photo below) of San Francisco who falsely stated that her office had completed a thorough investigation of my case (which was later change to a review) and the recent death of my service dog "Thatcher," I was/am no



longer able to deal with all of these issues. My desire for all the truth to be shown has become more than a very serious issue in what is left of my life. I am not willing to allow the lies and secrecy by VA personnel to continue. I feel that I have no choice but to continue my fight with the VA and to expose VA Attorney Suzanne Will (Ret) to prove she is a liar, perjurer and how her lies have impacted my life and that of my wife Julie who is also an Air Force Veteran with a 100%

disability. We should not be going through all of this at a time where we should be living in peace.

I have spent part of my life as a deputy sheriff and in addition I was connected to federal law enforcement agencies in three countries, I have also been a private investigator for eight years; I have investigated medical malpractice and many cases involving drug dealers as an undercover operative. As a former police officer I know what an investigation is and any investigation includes interviewing witnesses. None of my witnesses were ever interviewed. Instead the lies prevail.

I died at home for five minutes. My wife gave me CPR and was successful in resuscitating me. This happened just four days after Dr. Digpal Chauhan (my primary care physician at the time) told my wife and myself that he was a **"Lung Expert"** and a **"Brain Expert"** and that I did not have anything physically wrong, but that I had a mental problem. I then spent two weeks in the hospital. It turned out I had blood clots in both lungs and heart failure.

I was in a wheelchair, a walker and on oxygen during the time you refer to in your letter and could not walk without a walker so I remember very little and I could not accomplish anything related to my Tort claim. To this day I still cannot walk properly and my PTSD is almost out of control as a result of my anger. Additionally, I was not advised that I had a right to file a Tort claim nor of the time deadline needed to file the Tort claim. Please find enclosed a copy of the narrative of these events written by my wife.

In the enclosed VA story, Dr. Phillip J. Eulie, Chief of Staff for the Northern California VA system told me in a legally recorded conversation during the first week of July 2015 in a VA public meeting when I asked him, **"When are you going to do something about Chauhan?"** The immediate response from Eulie was, **"In two weeks you will be very happy, we listened to you regarding your complaint, we investigated the complaint and we**

***have done something about it, you will be very, very happy with the results.***" A second VA official at Mather VA Medical Center immediately substantiated the previous statement. Since then there are three additional VA personnel who have also told me that Dr. Chauhan was told he would be fired if he did not resign.

Immediately following those statements I received an email dated July 2, 2015 from Dr. Jane Addagatla, (Chauhan's superior) where she said Chauhan was "*retiring*" his VA position effective July 19, 2015.

The current VA actions/inactions have been extremely devastating to my mental health and my PTSD is distressing to my wife and myself. I do have a lot planned in order to accomplish my goals and I am not going to quit. I am hoping for a national news story.

I am strongly requesting that you will re-evaluate my Tort claim and compensate me for all my pain and suffering as a result of Chauhan and I am gone. Please understand, I have had VA care for many years and until this happened I can only praise the help I have had and continue to have from VA doctors.

I have received over 1,000 Emails from other Veterans and many have the same story related to the VA. Sadly my case is but one of these stories and it reflects what others have stated. Thank you in advance for your attention to my situation.

Sincerely yours,

Barry R. Clausen

Cc: I sent a copy of this story to the following. I listed their phone numbers should anyone have the desire to interview them about what has been said in this article.

President Donald Trump (202) 456 1111

Dr. David J. Shulkin, Secretary of Veterans Affairs – 1  
(800) 983 0937 1 (800) 827 1000

Dr. Phil Show

Senator Jon Tester, Ranking Member, Senate Veterans' Affairs  
Committee. 1 (202) 224 2644

Fox News, ABC, NBC, CBS & numerous others

Senator Jon Tester – “When I became Ranking Member of  
the Veterans’ Affairs  
Committee in January [2017] promised to put politics  
aside and get things done for our veterans. Almost 12 months  
later, I’m very proud that our committee has become a case  
study”...

## **Clausen’s Literary History**

*As a result of my book [Walking On The Edge](#), I was asked to  
testify at a Congressional Hearing on June 9, 1998 sponsored  
by the House of Representatives Judiciary Committee,  
Subcommittee on Crime in the Matter of Ecoterrorism. I then  
wrote the book, “[Burning Rage – The growing Anger Within My  
Country](#)”*

*Mr. Clausen’s new booklet: [[Kindle Edition](#)] is available at  
Amazon.Com. Clausen’s newest book will be released in 2018  
“**Last One Left Alive – Sharing CIA Secrets.**” As a result of  
one of his investigations into the Unabomber (Theodore John  
“Ted” Kaczynski, an American anarchist and serial murderer)  
case Mr. Clausen has been a guest on over 250 U.S. and  
Canadian radio talk shows and TV news shows including ABC,  
CBS, NBC and repeatedly on FOX News.*

*He has been featured or quoted in over 800 books, magazines  
and news articles including the San Francisco Chronicle,  
Washington Post, Vancouver Province, Canada’s B.C. Report, New  
York Times, Newsday, Seattle Times, Oregonian, Sacramento Bee,  
Christian Science Monitor, The Dallas Morning News and a  
lengthy article beginning on the front page of the Wall Street*

*Journal.*

*Mr. Clausen's information has been translated and used by publications in many foreign countries including Japan, Ireland, England, Turkey, Germany, France and Chile. A film crew from Danish TV-2 flew to Seattle to interview Mr. Clausen for a television documentary about international and U.S. extremist organizations. The documentary, A MAN IN THE RAINBOW, was subsequently aired in several European countries.*

***Another booklet is, VA Exposed –  
Incompetent VA Officials Nation  
Wide Don't Care About ill Veterans.  
They Cover For Their Lack of Actions by  
Ignoring Complaints and Telling Lies.***

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# **The Unabomber, Domestic Terrorists And The FBI**

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Prior to admitted Unabomber Theodore Kaczynski's arrest I had profiled him with the help of the late Tony Snow of Gannet News Service and as a result, the FBI was aware that he had attended a radical environmentalist meeting on November 10, 1994 in Missoula, Montana, 30 days prior to his assassination of Thomas Mosser of [Burson-Marsteller](#).

*The following is a story taken from chapters of my 2004 book, BURNING RAGE – The Growing Anger Within My Country. In addition my involvement in the Unabomber case had become a major issue with radical environmental terrorist.*

Gil Murray, president of the California Forestry Association (CFA) invited me to speak at the CFA's annual conference in Sacramento in January of 1995. Murray and his staff thought informing their membership of the possibility of expanded terrorism against timber interests would be of benefit to those attending the conference.

Just as my speech was to begin, there was a commotion at the entrance to the conference room. At the doorway stood Andy Caffrey, a Humboldt County, California radical Earth Firster and one of his cohorts demanding entrance. When members of Earth First attended my previous speeches their attendance had always added a little excitement to my presentations. There had been no problems in the past, so Caffrey was admitted. Most of these extremists who have challenged me publicly usually show up filthy and un-bathed, have long matted hair, and in desperate need of a good deodorant. Caffrey was no exception.

As part of my speech I always explained to the audience that Earth First is an organization that advocates anarchy, terrorism and revolution through their publication, the *Earth First Journal*. "Terrorists? Not us" is always the response by those Earth Firsters in the audience. This speech was no different and Caffrey wanted his five minutes. I asked the audience if Caffrey could speak to them. The response was

overwhelmingly in favor, as many within this audience had never seen an Earth Firster let alone ever heard one and this audience wanted to hear what he had to say. As Caffrey began, it was obvious the anger within the audience grew as he spoke. Nadine Bailey of the CFA stood up, picked up her belongings and walked out. A couple of others soon followed. The audience was anything but impressed. Eighty-nine days later, one of the Unabomber's bombs was delivered to Bailey's CFA office.

I remember vividly the chain of events that led to my discovery that Gil Murray was killed by a bomb. The date was April 24, 1995. The very end of a news story stated that a U.S. Forest Service (USFS) office had been bombed and there was a death. The news story was no surprise to me as Earth First leaders have always compared the USFS and their leadership to Nazi Germany. The comparison was obviously not because of the mass execution of people, but rather as a result of the mass "execution" of trees. The radical group's deep ecology religious beliefs place the value of trees and animals before the welfare and safety of humans.

While listening to the news report, I thought about the continual growing anger towards the USFS and Earth First by loggers, miners and ranchers. Surprisingly, there had been no violence by natural resource-dependent companies and employees. Allegations were numerous, of course, as Earth First members continually cry to the media about the violence directed at them and the press eats it up.

Upon arrival at my office my message machine was completely full of messages. There were messages from ABC, NBC, CBS and every major newspaper in the country. What surprised me was the bombing I heard about on my car radio was not a USFS office as reported but rather the CFA office and the death was the man who had asked me to warn his members about future violence against his industry.

Gil Murray was dead. He had been blown apart from the waist

up. Even though the following is very descriptive, it clearly shows what happens when a bomb explodes in an office or a home. I for one cannot possibly imagine the impact and resulting effect this event has had on the thousands of people connected to the victim. When describing Murray's death, author Ron Arnold wrote in *ECOTERROR – The Violent Agenda To Save Nature – The World Of The Unabomber*.

Gil Murray stood alone in the lobby. He laid the wooden container on the chest-high reception counter and opened it.

There was a brief flash.

The device expanded in all directions. Four streams of hot metal separated from the spherical blossom of light.

A blast of snapped-in-half wood screws and tiny melted machine parts shot straight down the hallway where Lisa Tuter had stood a moment before, slicing off drywall as it went and snapping into the kitchen wall at the back of the building nearly a hundred feet away.

A vortex jetted straight ahead, piercing the wall behind the reception desk and burying dozens of little projectiles in a row of steel filing cabinets in the next room.

The device lid lifted on a gaseous ram, shredding the heavy false ceiling, pounding through heating ducts and piercing the roof deck, letting jagged sunlight into its slipstream.

The main thrust of the detonation did not throw Gil Murray back from the counter. It cut through him. It ripped off his face and an arm. It embedded the bulk of his chest in the wall behind him, then bowed the wall into an adjoining storeroom, toppling heavily loaded bookcases on the far side. It riddled the reception area with pieces of his body. What was left fell to the floor? The shattered false ceiling collapsed over him. Flames and acrid smoke billowed outward.

Total elapsed time: Less than seven-tenths of a second.

To take a human life in seven-tenths of a second is incomprehensible. How many hours, days and months of planning had this taken and why? All Kaczynski said later was, it was "because of his [Murray's] beliefs."

At that point, violence against the timber industry had taken on a new and horrifying twist. Earth Firsters had been responsible for millions of dollars in sabotage to logging equipment, but no one had anticipated a bomb would kill anyone. Among the many phone messages on my machine were numerous timber company officials wanting to know, "What do we do?" and "Will there be others?" They were obviously looking for help and most everyone within the timber industry knew the FBI was doing nothing to investigate the criminal acts directed at their industry.

Almost immediately, the FBI announced they suspected the bombing had been the work of the "Unabomber." I knew at that point the Unabomber was part of Earth First and this could only mean one or more members of Earth First had taken the violence to a new level.

My thoughts were numerous, what could I do? Believing that the FBI would be interested in the information I possessed, I called the Unabomber Task Force in San Francisco. The agent listened for a few minutes, took my name and thanked me politely. They just weren't interested. Was it because my conversation included information about Earth First? I later read a June 6, 1995 article in *The Chicago Tribune* titled "20,000 tips – no suspect, Unabomber recast as warped, not political." I could not help but wonder how many of the "20,000 tips" people had called in were ignored.

Following my uneventful contact with the FBI, my attention turned to my elected officials. Not believing they would actually listen I called the offices of Senators Conrad Burns

(R-MT), Slade Gorton (R-WA) and Patty Murray (D-WA). Was I surprised! I hit pay dirt. I now had two Republican Senators interested and one democrat who was not. I wondered if the reason Senator Murray was not interested was because of the outspoken views I had earlier shared with her staff. Two out of three Senators listened. Not a bad average and I had always heard politicians were inaccessible.

The staff of both Republican Senators reviewed the information and interviewed me about it. They determined the documents I had supplied regarding terrorism and the Unabomber were accurate and creditable. Following that process, Senators Burns and Gorton went out of their way to help. The Senators were interested; their staffs were interested, but how to get the FBI to listen?

Burns and Gorton sent letters to numerous branches of the Department of Justice with no success. It was not until Burns sent a June 24, 1995 letter to FBI Director Louis Freeh that things changed. The letter outlined the requests made by himself and Gorton to Michael Bromwich, Inspector General of the U.S. Department of Justice. A portion of the letter stated:

As of this date, we have not had further response on this matter. As you will readily agree, many incidents have occurred since November that would peak one's interest in just what Mr. Clausen has been telling the public. I would appreciate knowing what action has been taken on this matter. I look forward to your prompt reply.

Almost immediately wheels started to turn. What happened next was a total surprise. I received a phone call from FBI Special Agent Don Glasser. Glasser had been assigned to interview me about the information I possessed on the Unabomber case. I met Glasser in Seattle. He turned out to be the owner of a sailboat as I was, so over the course of an hour lunch we discussed both sailing and the Unabomber. I left wondering

what would happen next as Glasser had not taken notes nor requested any documents from me.

It didn't take long, before I received a copy of a letter the FBI sent to both Senators Burns and Gorton referring to Charles Mandigo of the Seattle office of the FBI as the contact person for the Senators. The information contained in the letter was an outright lie. It stated the FBI had interviewed me and was reviewing the information and documents I supplied.

I was outraged that the FBI would lie to United States Senators so I called both Senators offices. When the Senators discovered what had happened, apparently, they weren't happy either. Shortly after, the phone rang again. It was Glasser. He apologized for the letter sent to the Senators and admitted they were not correct.

"Yes Don I know, I was there."

"Can we meet again?"

Glasser came to my office in Port Ludlow, Washington. At the beginning of the interview I felt Glasser was pacifying me until at one point the agent looked at me and said, "You're right." I realized I had caught his interest and that interest appeared to be sincere. After five hours of reviewing the information, Glasser told me he was sure I was correct and yes the FBI was interested. He left me with his assurance the information would not be ignored. I met Glasser several times after that second meeting. I later gave Glasser a list of those attending the Montana Earth First/Native Forest Network (NFN) conference, which did contain the name of Kaczynski with a different spelling, "T. Casinski."

The FBI was so convinced my information was correct; they sent undercover agents to Missoula, Montana. One of those was Special Agent Candice DeLong who had joined the Bureau in 1980 and had worked with Glasser on other cases. (Both she and

Glasser had been involved in the investigation and arrests of the Puerto Rican terrorists Clinton released from prison in 1999).

After meeting with Glasser I decided not to wait for the FBI to act. I believed if I could get an article in the press it would push the FBI into acting. On August 2, 1995 I called Cynthia Hubert a reporter for the *Sacramento Bee* about what was labeled the "Eco-F\*\*ker Hit List." Of the 12 company names on the list, two of the top three were the last victims of the Unabomber. I didn't believe this to be a coincidence. Cynthia's story ran the next day. The following is a portion of her story:

**"Hit List" had Unabomber Targets – Terrorist's possible link to**

**underground newspaper probed by FBI.**

The FBI is investigating whether the Unabomber used a "hit list" published in an underground environmental newspaper five years ago to select some of his recent targets, including the California Forestry Association in Sacramento.

The list, published in a 1990 edition of *"Live Wild Or Die,"* included the Timber Association of California, now the CFA, whose president was killed when he opened a mail bomb in April.

It also listed the Exxon Corp., which the Unabomber has mentioned in connection to his fatal attack on a New Jersey advertising executive last year....

Barry Clausen, a Seattle private investigator who specializes in "radical environmental groups," said he believes the Unabomber used the "hit list" to select some of his victims. He has discussed his findings and theories with the FBI and the targeted groups, authorities confirmed Wednesday.

"I can confirm that we have met with this individual and we are very interested in what he has to say," FBI spokesman George Grotz in San Francisco said Wednesday...

Clausen said he received his copy of the newspaper, which was published in Portland, Ore. from a member of the Earth First environmental group. "I am not saying that I know who the Unabomber is or that Earth First is involved," Clausen said, "but I think this list is where he drew some of his victims."

He and others familiar with such groups said they do not know who publishes the radical underground newspaper or whether it is still in circulation. Earth First members said the group is not affiliated with the newspaper and disavows the kind of violence perpetrated by the Unabomber.

Karen Pickett, an organizer for Earth First in Berkeley, said none of the information published in "*Live Wild or Die*" represents a call to violence. "The rhetoric is extreme, but it is a list of corporations that are doing harm to the environment and have been a target of direct action and protest, not murder," Pickett said.

"Letter bombs and murder are not a tactic that have ever been used or suggested by the environmental movement," she said...

The Unabomber last struck in April, when a package bomb mailed to the offices of the California Forestry Association in Sacramento exploded and killed its president, Gilbert Murray. The package was addressed to Murray's successor, care of the Timber Association of California.

Last year Thomas Mosser, a New Jersey advertising executive, was killed when he opened a package later attributed to the Unabomber. Mosser lived on Aspen Drive and worked for Burson-Marsteller, a leading public relations firm.

In letters to East Coast newspapers in recent months, the Unabomber said he targeted Mosser because "among other



misdeeds, Burson-Marsteller helped Exxon clean up its image after the Exxon Valdez incident."...

Donn Zea, a vice president for the California Forestry Association, noted that the "hit list" was published at the height of the battle over proposition 130, a timber regulation measure backed by environmentalists. "We went toe to toe with many of those kinds of groups during that period," he said...

Zea said he has a copy of the information published in the *"Live Wild or Die"* for at least two years and alerted the FBI to it after the bombing that killed Murray...

After Murray was killed, Zea said he retrieved the document from the CFA's bombed-out-office and gave it to the FBI. Later the Unabomber mailed his 35,000-word manifesto to the New York Times, and the newspaper has since published excerpts from it...

Although some of the organizations said they were aware that they were on the list published in 1990, others said they had taken additional security precautions in recent days, since alerted by Clausen...

Several things happened following this story. Kaczynski's world was unraveling. His manifesto was being dissected by the FBI, which had cross-referenced the name "T. Casinski" with the 20,000 tips they had received. It was then the FBI discovered David Kaczynski's tip about his brother was in fact correct. This gave them two independent sources of information on the same person.

The phone rang, and this time it was FBI Special Agent Patty Jannett from the Seattle office. Glasser was out of town and the list of conference attendees I had given him could not be found. I explained to Jannett that Glasser had given the list to Doug Aukland, the domestic terrorism expert in their office. Jannett wanted to know if I had a copy and would I let her have it as soon as possible.

I told her I would be in Seattle later that day and would give her the list. I took the Kingston Seattle ferry to Seattle about noon, went to two other meetings and later in the afternoon called Jannett. She had been waiting for my call.

"Where are you." She asked.

"Over by the Space Needle, I'll drop off the list in about an hour."

"Let me know exactly where you are and I'll pick you up."

Within minutes Jannett arrived. "Get in." She said.

At this point I asked her for a ride to the ferry terminal, as it is one block from the federal building. She agreed. As we drove down Seattle's First Avenue I explained to Jannett that I had received the information from an undercover agent in Montana and gave her his name. On the way to the ferry terminal Jannett slowed down at two intersections then ran the red lights. I remember thinking, either this lady is a real bad driver or the list is really important. Either way, I knew she wouldn't be getting a ticket.

Shortly after, the undercover FBI agents in Missoula were joined by dozens of others. Kaczynski had been located in Lincoln just 53 miles north of Missoula.

Prior to his arrest the FBI and many others had dissected his manifesto, including the media and many of those I work with. There was no question; the Unabomber had used a book titled, *Earth In The Balance – Ecology And The Human Spirit* by Senator Al Gore to write most of his manifesto. Even though Gore's book was used by this admitted eco-terrorist, Gore cannot be blamed for the actions of Kaczynski. However it is interesting that one of America's foremost political leaders and the Unabomber share the same ideologies.

One of those that saw the similarities was Tony Snow of Gannet

News Service who wrote a column on September 21, 1995 prior to the arrest of Kaczynski.

The article made a comparison of the Unabomber's manifesto and Vice President Gore's book, *Earth In The Balance*. Snow's comparative analysis of Gore's book and the Unabomber's manifesto was so accurate; the puzzle was now beginning to make more sense.

Snow's article ends with: "Gore and FC [Unabomber] disagree vehemently about means and ends – but both want to step in and seize control of other people's inventions. Gore wants to regulate using the power of the state; the Unabomber wants to annihilate. This is the difference between a terrorist and a vice president."

Henry Lamb of *ēco●logic* did another comparative analysis. His analysis was between the manifesto and the writings of Earth First, Dave Foreman and the Wildlands Project ideologies. Yet, another accurate analysis of Kaczynski's manifesto, making it obvious that Kaczynski was a follower of the most radical environmentalists.

But did Kaczynski really use *Earth In The Balance* to write his manifesto? During the week of June 10, 1996 American media chose to cover the story of the FBI investigating hundreds of Republican politicians. During the same week, only one news source covered the story of Al Gore's book *Earth In The Balance* having been discovered in the cabin of Theodore Kaczynski. The June, 1996 issue of *The American Spectator* reads: "FBI agents on the scene are telling colleagues they were amused when, while tearing apart the shack of suspected Unabomber Theodore Kaczynski, they came upon Al Gore's 1992 eco-tract, *Earth In The Balance*." Many sections were underlined in pencil, and there were copious notes in the margins.

The *Sacramento Bee* article mentions the publication *Live Wild*

*Or Die (LWOD)*. The following will give you a better idea of what *LWOD* is about. In early 1988 the first edition of *LWOD* was published. The publication was partially funded by Earth First cofounder Mike Roselle.

The second edition of *LWOD* contained the "Eco-F\*\*ker Hit List" which was the list used by the Unabomber to select his last two victims and it was found in his cabin when it was searched.

Earth First claims this edition of *LWOD* was not of their doing, however that is simply not true. The *LWOD* publication containing the "Eco-F\*\*ker Hit List" was given to me by long time Earth Firster Mitch Friedman. Friedman is currently the head of Greater Ecosystem Alliance in Bellingham, Washington. The *Earth First Journal* has publicized *LWOD* since the beginning of the radical anarchist, terrorist publication. Listed, as targets in *LWOD* were the **Timber Association of California**, National Rifle Association, **Exxon Company USA**, National Cattlemen's Association, American Farm Bureau, Nevada Mining Association, Utah Association of Counties, Pacific Legal Foundation, Lindsey, Mart, Neil and Weigler, American Motorcycle Association and the Wilderness Impact Research Foundation.

When Brian Ross of ABC News asked me why I believe the Unabomber had used this list, the answer was simple. With eleven company names on the list, what were the odds of two of the top three being the last two victims of the Unabomber? Also, the name of the California Forestry Association had been printed wrong. The Unabomber sent his bomb to the Forestry Association of California when the correct name of the organization had been changed to the California Forestry Association several years earlier.

Thomas Mosser, a public relations executive Earth First claimed represented Exxon, had received one of the Unabomber's bombs. This information also proved to be incorrect, as Mosser

did not represent Exxon. Just another erroneous piece of information he took from the Litha 1993, *Earth First Journal*.

In subsequent years *LWOD* was published six different times. On page 38 of the August-September, 1996 issue of the *Earth First Journal* there was an advertisement for the *LWOD* anarchist publication. The August/September 1996, issue number 6 was released several months after the arrest of Kaczynski and the ABC News Story. The current authors remain anonymous. To give you an idea of the ideologies and outright filth contained within the publication, the following is exactly as it appears on the cover of the publication:

**If it is good enough for the Unabomber, Barry Clausen, USA Today, the FBI, and ABC News then it is good enough for you! LIVE WILD OR DIE – INSIDE: THE COLLAPSE OF CIVILIZATION VEGANISM CARMAGEDDON HOW TO D.I.Y. HEMP EVOLUTION AS FACT NUCLEAR MADNESS IMPERIALISM AS CANCER CLASS WAR MAKE YOUR OWN MEDIA C\*\*TS! TAMPONS! & DOZERS! PREPARING FOR REVOLUTION AND MORE!!!**

An article by Lorenzo Kom'boa Ervin in the same *LIVE WILD or DIE* called for the assassination of the CEO of Shell Oil Company. It reads as follows.

In order to smash their movements we must organize commando type actions...but in a better and more effective way. For instance, pigs like David Duke and Tom Metzger, who have been advocating and leading the fascist movement in America, should be assassinated. We should infiltrate...in order to assault leaders and disrupt them, or hide at a distance and snipe at them with high-powered rifles. I have always felt that the underground guerrilla movements like the Black Liberation Army, Weather Underground and New World Liberation Front should attack Fascist movements and assassinate their leaders... this is the only way to stop fascist." The article concludes, "I think that the Nigerian government and Shell Oil are both racist and fascist in their pursuit of genocide in

Ogoniland. And I for one very subversive anarchist amongst y'all am going to wage war on these motherf\*\*kers. I urge you to do the same.

The article then lists names and addresses of Shell Oil Company's corporate executives in several countries including the United States.

The most recent LWOD publication contains yet another "ECO-F\*\*KER HIT LIST" along with a news article from the Earth Liberation Front (ELF). The first name on the new "HIT LIST" is once again the Timber Association of California with an X through CFA's name and a written caption stating: **"Who's next?"**

Following the arrest of Kaczynski, ABC News interviewed me on April 5, 1996 when I met with Brian Ross, David Rummel, Sarah Koch and an entire ABC News crew at the Alexis Hotel in downtown Seattle.

Ron Arnold, author of *ECOTERROR*, felt this was a significant event and so chronicled the process. His account is accurate and well written. This is how he described the ABC News story.

The door was open, so Barry Clausen entered room 414 of the Alexis Hotel. He stared bewildered. The furniture had been shoved into corners and stacked on end. A thicket of lights, reflectors, camera gear and the ABC News production crew crammed the space.

"I'm here for an interview."

"They're down the hall," a soundman said. "You'll see it. Their doors open, too."

Clausen found the room, actually another part of the same larger suite.

"You must be Sarah Koch," he said to the ABC news producer.

"And you must be Barry Clausen," she said. "Thanks for breaking off your trip to Canada for us."

The reference to breaking off my trip to Canada was made because when Koch called my office, I was aboard my sailboat. She was given my cell phone number and had been able to contact me there.

*Note: We were in high winds and heavy seas between Seattle and Vancouver, Canada. Communications between Koch and myself proved difficult due to uncharacteristically poor reception brought on by the extreme weather conditions. My first inclination was to yell "no" into the phone but just as I was about to decline her offer, the phone went dead. Koch was persistent; she called back three times before we finally agreed to meet in Seattle the next morning. We docked the sailboat at Port Townsend, Washington, made arrangements for transportation, then I headed to Seattle for the interview.*

"Well you guys flew up here from San Francisco."

"Barry, this is David Rummel, our senior investigative producer, and this is Brian Ross. There's coffee and pastries here if you'd like some. Now, what have you got for us to look at?"

Clausen gave them a stack of materials with several lists including the *Live Wild or Die* "Eco-F\*\*ker Hit List," the same one he had given the media – including ABC News the previous August. Clausen told them he'd been trying since then to get the FBI to realize that the Unabomber had to have some connection to Earth First or other radical environmental groups. They talked about the last two Unabomber victims and the possibility that they had been targeted from this list.

Rummel studied Clausen. He spoke bluntly: "What makes you think the Unabomber could have used this list?"

Clausen looked at him in near-surprise. "Look at how visually

prominent this list is on the page. Your eye is drawn to it. What are the odds that two of the top three companies on that list were hit by accident?"

"But the name on the timber association is Roberta Anderson, not the guy the package went to."

"Association directories have listed Bill Dennison as president for years. You can find them in any library. And small libraries still have old directories with the old name, Timber Association of California. The same applies to Burson-Marsteller. Thomas Mosser hadn't worked there for a year, but his name was still in old business directories. And his home address was listed in the phone book."

They took Clausen to the cameras and wired him for sound. Ross asked him to repeat their conversation.

"There are eleven names, or eleven company names, on the hit list. Two of the top three are the last two victims of the Unabomber. The number one name on the list is the Timber Association of California, with the current address."

It was a nice day in Seattle, so the crew took Clausen for an outside shot walking side by side with Ross along the Elliot Bay waterfront. Ross asked Clausen why he thought the Unabomber was somehow linked to the radical environmentalists.

"Based on his beliefs and what he's put in print with his manifesto and his letters, his way of thinking – his ideologies – conforms to that of Earth First."

Off camera, he told the news crew he thought the Unabomber had been at a radical environmentalist conference in Missoula, Montana in November of 1994. "Thomas Mosser was killed 30 days after that meeting," he told them. "I think that's a weird coincidence." He had compiled a partial list of attendees that suggested Kaczynski was at that meeting.



Ross was unimpressed. He asked if he knew he was there for sure.

"No, I don't know. I wasn't there. I didn't see him. But it's still a weird coincidence."

It was nearly noon when they all went by taxi to the newsroom of the Seattle ABC network affiliate, KOMO-TV. Rummel asked Clausen to view some footage of Earth First in a screening room. Barry watched a patchwork of scenes showing conflicts between loggers and Earth Firsters.

When the tape was over, he walked out of the newsroom where Koch, Rummel and Ross were busy on the phone or watching the story wrote as it unfolded on her computer monitor.

"Barry," she said, "I don't mean to be rude, but it's really distracting to have you there."

"Sure no problem," Clausen said, and backed off. He stood awkwardly near the newsroom entry for some time, probably ten minutes.

Brian Ross got off the phone and called excitedly to the three others. "Come here, c'mere, c'mere."

Koch, Rummel and Clausen collected around him.

"I just had a long talk with my government contact. Get this: the FBI had Kaczynski's name in their files two years ago as an environmental radical. They believed he was at the Missoula conference."

Peter Jennings: (voice-over) The Unabomber suspect Ted Kaczynski – he was on the FBI's list of suspects years ago...

Announcer: From ABC, this is World News Tonight with Peter Jennings.

Jennings traced the new twists in the Unabomber story: The FBI

had Kaczynski's name in its files at least a couple of years before his arrest. It was there in 1994 as having a connection to a radical environmental group, and again in 1995 in the files as a possible suspect in the Unabomber case itself.

Following the ABC News stories, both ABC and I took a terrific bashing for their running of such a story, which featured the information I had given them.

Earth First cried "foul" because we dared to connect such a mad man as the Unabomber to their organization. After all, they didn't actually advocate killing anyone. They only advocate and promote terrorism.

Earth First and their sympathizers generated many misleading or outright false articles in retaliation. Remaining true to form, they not only posted deliberate character assassinations against me on the Internet, but they also posted the phone numbers of ABC executives. This action ultimately resulted in a number of nasty, intimidating and threatening calls to ABC. At that time members of Earth First disowned Kaczynski. Just because he read their materials, they reasoned they were not responsible for his actions. Good logic, but there was more to the story.

Perhaps Earth First's claim of no connection could have been accepted had not Kaczynski himself stated on January 22, 1998, as part of a plea bargain agreement, that he had used inaccurate rhetoric published on page 4 of the "Litha [June] 1993" *Earth First Journal* when he decided to kill Thomas Mosser.

Court documents state Kaczynski admitted he killed Gil Murray of the California Forestry Association in a letter he sent to the *New York Times* on June 24, 1995: "We have no regret about the fact that our bomb blew up the wrong man, Gilbert Murray, instead of William Dennison, to whom it was addressed..."

While addressing the court Steve Lapham, prosecutor for the

government stated:

...The cabin searchers also found a copy of a letter to a radical environmental group known as Earth First, and that letter began, "This is a message from FC." The F.B.I. calls us Unabom. We are the people who recently assassinated the president of the California Forestry Association.

Your Honor, in a letter to the New York Times dated April 20, 1995, the Unabomber stated in part, "We blew up Thomas Mosser last December because he was a Burston-Marsteller [sic] executive. Among other misdeeds, Burston-Marsteller [sic] helped Exxon clean up its public image after the Exxon Valdez incident..." A carbon copy of that letter was found in the defendant's cabin.

It is also worth pointing out, your Honor that letter contained a number of misstatements, one of which was that Burson-Marsteller had anything to do with the Exxon Valdez cleanup; it did not. Also Burson-Marsteller was misspelled. The first name, Burson, did not contain a "t." The relevance of that is, during a search of the defendant's cabin, searchers also found a copy of the *Earth First Journal* dated June 21, 1993, in which the statement was made that Burson-Marsteller did have responsibility for the Exxon Valdez incident, for the cleanup of the image over that incident. Furthermore, in that Earth First article, the name Burson-Marsteller is misspelled in the same fashion it is misspelled in the Unabomber letter.

Furthermore, during a search of the defendant's cabin, the Government found a letter written to Earth Firsters. Its title was "Suggestions for Earth Firsters from FC." That letter stated in part, "As for the Mosser bombing" – and I'm quoting now – "our attention was called to Burson-Marsteller by an article that appeared in the Earth First, Litha," which is the way of describing the edition of that journal, "June 21, 1993 page 4."

When the court asked Kaczynski: "Mr. Kaczynski, do you agree with the factual representation just made by the Government's attorney?"

The defendant: "Yes, Your Honor."

Kaczynski himself stated he read Earth First publications and used them when he decided to murder, yet the press elected to keep Kaczynski's confession under wraps. Very few elected to run the story. Even after the bashing ABC News had taken, they were quiet. Was this due to the enormous number of intimidating calls, and had continual threats against reporters by design had this impact on the media?

In a portion of the address on the package that Kaczynski sent to the California Forestry Association there was an error. He had mailed the package to the Forestry Association of California. The association was called the California Forestry Association. The package was opened by Gil Murray but had actually been addressed to Bill Dennison the former association president who had retired.

During Kaczynski's plea bargain agreement, Bill Dennison read a prepared speech on behalf of himself and the entire CFA staff. Prior to his presentation Steve Lapham, prosecutor for the government, approached Dennison on three different occasions and requested he not read his statement. Lapham apparently had an opportunity to read the prepared speech and did not like the idea of Dennison referencing other groups and individuals. Dennison's speech referenced other Earth Firsters who were awaiting trial for other felony crimes. His presentation was accurate, correct and informative. Dennison presented his speech to the court anyway. However, the press ignored what Dennison had said.

There is room to wonder if the American news services would have felt differently and covered the story if Kaczynski had been a member of a right wing militia group? Was the lack of

media coverage because Kaczynski was instead a radical left wing terrorist with ties to an organization that, according to documents, the Clinton/Gore administration is protecting?

Or could the reason the press did not cover the story be because two of the biggest supporters of Earth First organizations are Ted Turner and Jane Fonda through the Turner Foundation? Wait a minute! One of their own contributes a huge amount of money to members of an organization whose ideologies promote terrorism and members of the press fail to mention that fact. Does this mean Turner along with the big dollar foundations have control over what the mass media produces and what the American people are "allowed" to know?

What possible reason could there be for not informing the general public that, according to Kaczynski himself, he was a "follower of Earth First" as I stated on national television many times?

Each new story and book about Kaczynski brings new information about the man the FBI had been unable to find for over a decade. An article in *The New York Times* on Sunday, March 14, 1999 was based on a new book *Unabomber: The Secret Life of Ted Kaczynski*. The book shows additional activities by Kaczynski, admitted eco-terrorist. The story by James Brooke was titled: "Kaczynski Pioneered Environmental Sabotage, book Says."

The article claims Kaczynski was also involved in more than 50 incidents of vandalism which included booby-trapping motorcycle trails with wires strung between trees, sabotaging mining equipment with sand, burning logging equipment, pouring sugar into snowmobile gas tanks, and destroying hunting and mining camps and vacation cabins with ax blows.

The information about Earth First and Kaczynski had been virtually non-existent until October 2000 when we finally saw a major publication write about the Earth First/Unabomber connection. The 11-page story in *Outside* magazine by Bruce

Barcott told the entire world that, yes, Kaczynski was indeed a follower of Earth First as myself and numerous others have always known and stated publicly.

My involvement with this case actually began in Montana in December of 1989. I had been hired as a licensed private investigator to investigate crimes of sabotage that had been directed at my clients. We now find out Kaczynski committed some of these terrorist acts. The crimes against my clients had cost them hundreds of thousands of dollars in losses. Nationally, there had been an increasing number of incidents of sabotage to logging equipment, with a large portion of this sabotage centered in Montana.

The group most vocal in advocating the sabotage was Earth First. To me it was obvious, radical Earth Firsters were using the campus of the University in Missoula, Montana as a staging ground for their acts of sabotage. It later became apparent they were also using the Montana University for their campaign throughout the entire Western United States.

During the initial meeting spent with my new clients, I was told several students from the university, representing Earth First, had already been arrested for tree spiking. Among the people initially investigated was the universities own Professor Ron Erickson. After contacting USFS Federal Agent Mike Merkley, he informed me that Erickson was of interest to a Federal Grand Jury. However, Erickson was never indicted or charged with any crimes. The reason for the investigation became the subject of an article in the November 20, 1989 *High Country News*:

Erickson, who cites energy issues and air and water pollution as his main academic concerns, taught two classes on deforestation and environmental ethics last spring. The deforestation class dealt mainly with tropical forests, he says, and his ethics class only touched on tree spiking following a satirical tree-spiking skit by students at a

campus festival in April.

With the help of Agent Merkley and the Idaho U.S. Attorney, I was able to obtain the information about Merkley's investigation and the subsequent convictions in the tree spiking case.

Earth Firster John Lilburn was one of those subpoenaed before the federal grand jury, as were several others. Lilburn's sister, Gwendolyn, had also been involved. Gwendolyn had received a severe beating by Earth Firster John "Spicer" Blaunt. Following the beating, she immediately left Montana and went to Denver where she contacted the FBI and eventually turned state's evidence against five defendants.

Arvid Hartley and Neil McLain two of the defendants also cooperated with federal authorities and pled guilty to a misdemeanor in the tree spiking case. Daniel LaCrosse was cut loose on a Rule 29 (insufficient evidence). According to the U.S. Attorney's office in Boise, Idaho, Jeffery Fairchild and John Blaunt were convicted of a felony. Lilburn testified against his fellow Earth Firsters to protect the life of his sister Gwendolyn, who is currently in the witness protection program as a result of death threats. Professor Ron Erickson ran for public office and is now a member of the Montana State Legislature.

Many, including Leo Giacometto, who was then the head of the U.S. Marshall's Service in Montana, briefed me on the serious potential for danger in my new undertaking. Until recently, Giacometto had been in the position of Administrative Assistant to Senator Conrad Burns (R-MT). For several years Senator Burns had played a large part in assisting me with ATF and the FBI's Unabomber Task Force.

Special FBI Agent Mike Byrne of the Seattle office, as well as several members of his staff had also met with me during my orientation in this case. In yet another briefing with FBI

agents from San Francisco, they felt the need to alert me to the potential threat I was opening myself up to. They not only supplied me with useful information but also gave me a "hello number" to call if I needed assistance. A "hello number" is a phone number manned by the FBI, 24 hours a day.

Following the FBI briefings, and by reading the huge quantity of information distributed by Earth First the conclusion was unanimous, there was indeed a strong potential for violence. That violence would come not from the Earth First organization itself, but from the radical extremists within the organization. My first concern was personal safety. My clients had given me a free hand to investigate the criminal acts any way I felt appropriate.

I had just completed several undercover drug investigations and so my hair was still long and my face supported a straggly beard. All I had left to do was to quit bathing and I'd fit in with the rest of this radical ragtag organization. I decided the best way to discover the extent of the involvement with the acts of sabotage against my clients would be to infiltrate the Earth First organization. They were, after all, the logical suspects, as they had already advocated it in print to their followers that they had committed the terrorist acts many people in Montana were experiencing.

My plan was to begin by writing letters to the editor of many Montana's newspapers criticizing logging, mining, ranching and everything else I could find to write about, in other words I became a radical anti-everything extremist, on paper. It didn't take long before Earth Firster Keith Hammer called me. On November 16, 1989 Hammer met with my partner and myself at the Lighter Side Restaurant in Kalispell, Montana. Phil Knight and many others of Montana's radical Earth Firsters followed suit. On November 22, 1989 Earth Firster Kelly Yarns sent me the first of what would be many letters. Knight suggested we meet in one of his two letters. Another arrived on December 27 from Missoula Earth Firster Bill Haskins. Clearly, my new



“friends” believed they had a new recruit.

During the next year, time was spent as a member of this terrorist organization, which I chronicled in my first book *Walking on the Edge*. What I discovered was the intensity of their religious convictions that man is bad, industrialized technology is destroying the planet and the only way to save Gaia (mother earth) is through radical actions, including terrorism and anarchy.

Numerous terrorist acts still continue with some variation. The older Earth Firsters have moved on to continue their campaign against rural America and natural resource industries with the millions of dollars they receive from foundations.

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