

Letter To Rick Rousos

Rick, you ask a difficult thing. Of the "Big 6" (Who, Where, What, Why, When, How), you ask for:

* #1: "Who" said this case was important?

* #2: When did something newsworthy happen?

* You wanted quotes from "important" people, presumably to help make your bosses happy, and show them you are OK to investigate this -and make for better quotes in the paper, too.

* You wanted "late-breaking" dates of stuff that happened, when? -- "Just now," not months ago, so you could report "such-and-such just happened."

* Plus, you wanted to know "what" happened -in a nutshell. OK...

OK, I'm a news reporter just like you (identical twin... just kidding, but I do write stories of ALL types for my web-paper), so I can understand your dilemma, and I'll comport and comply.

First, "who" said my concerns were valid?

#1: Patrick Murphy, "Training & Research" 850-410-8634

aka "R & T Specialist" -yes, the website gets the R and the T switched:

<http://www.fdle.state.fl.us/cjst/departments/Contacts/OD.html>

Anyhow, Patrick was initially assigned my case, because my last name begins with "W," and when I recently spoke with him by phone -and read from the court transcript (where I put LPD Officer, Charles Dallas under direct cross-examination in my traffic ticket case), Patrick said that he felt the cop was possibly being dishonest -thus in possible violation of the perjury laws and/or other standards. He definitely said that if I was right (in my other complaint about yet other officers, Leanne Yeager and Dennis Mosser) executing a false affidavit, this was definitely something they discipline. (He won't remember the officers' names, just the exclamation that this act, if documented -it is -was inappropriate.) So, he commented on TWO perjury acts by THREE officers.

#2: When I first spoke with Assistant State Attorney, Mike Cusick (under State Atty., Jerry Hill, of Polk County), he said that what the 2 cops did was "simple perjury," and asked for documentation. I gave it to him, but when I delivered it to his office, before he even LOOKED at it, he had already sent the secretary out to say he wasn't interested. (What?! Is he now psychic?) I'll cut him some slack, though: He at least listened to my complaints about Dallas, even though he didn't give me the time of day regarding Yeager and Mosser, more than the other assistant state attorneys did. Still, he is a turncoat, as shown by the fact the changed his mind -even before receiving the audio evidence he asked me to give him!!

#3: My father is actually AGAINST me filing anything, as he thinks cops will retaliate against me (like giving me false traffic tickets), but even HE thinks I would not lie -and that I have a valid case.

#4: A pastor of music of my church, up at the old Mall, who has known me for about a year, at the same church where Sheriff Grady Judd and some Lakeland City councilmen go, suggested (in salient part) that: "Hi Gordon, After reading your press-release and the errata, my recommendation is that you not try to focus on a cover-up, or illegal phone blocking, or other issues really separate from the case you are trying to make. I believe you are at risk of being considered a public nuisance for hammering these minor points that don't really advance your cause for the homeless. I do see your valid point but would urge you to keep the focus on the homeless crises and abuses and not on their attempts to ignore you. If you destroy your credibility with the wrong impression, getting a hearing for your cause will no longer be an issue. I advise trying some more approaches that demonstrate your concern only for the homeless. When your focus is on the police dealings with you, it doesn't make you appear as genuinely only concerned for them but rather someone who needs to be heard instead of a cause that needs to be addressed. I hope this makes sense. Pastor Phil"

#5: Hey, I forgot one very important person you could quote: "Gordon Watts, whose recent legal battles to save Terri Schiavo's life, almost won (ref. 1), doing better than even the governor's efforts (ref. 2), has recently filed a complaint with the State Department of Law Enforcement seeking review of practices of local law enforcement."

OK, that was a twist, but hey, not only am I "right," but I am also "newsworthy," in that, I show myself to be even more reliable than all the governor's attorney's combined, so a quote of me would cause heads to turn -and spin -to read your paper!

#6 & #7: If you *really* want to quote someone big, check this out: 2 for the price of 1 here:

Attorney James Marion Moorman, Public Defender (see reference [E2] of the paperwork I gave you) is the first "notable quotable," and I will quote HIM is quoting the SECOND notable quotable -the court itself. Observe: On page [E4], I quote him speaking about Ofr. Chuck Dallas, and then on the next page (bottom of [E5]), I quote him, quoting the court, in which the District Appeals Court in Lakeland has specifically said 'free speech' was permitted, and that (bottom of [E6]), the 'begging,' for which Dan Bishop was arrested was to be "allowed in the "public way."

OK, you have a veritable "who's who" of notable quotable, now, and I shall address your second point:

* You wanted "late-breaking" dates of stuff that happened, when? -- "Just now," not months ago, so you could report "such-and-such just happened."

OK, a lot of times, we, as reporters, don't find out about the thing in question until long after, but is it to be ignored? What we typically do (remember?) is report to the effect: "The LEDGER has just learned of a complaint filed with the a-b-c agency, back on (somewhat recent) w-x-y-z date, regarding alleged abuses by police officers, dating back to (way-back -name a date)."

You remember this approach, as you write more often than me. Don't let them police push you around!

Oh, that's right: You asked for a "what" to all this: "Many" laws were broken (take your pick) by the very agency commissioned to uphold the law -more serious than when an ordinary citizen breaks the law.

For a more detailed "what," Rick, please see the table of contents of my report, on page iii. IT IS ONE PAGE LONG -that's all! But crammed to the hilt, *and I only hope that the polices' desire to commit MANY crimes (not few) does not make me look like an idiot moron here; For, to do so would enable and allow the valid matter to escape the scrutiny of review by the news media.*

Tijuana Comer is currently assigned my case, because FDLE assigned it based on an officer's last name -not based on *my* last name. She can be reached at: 850-410-8622

But she has not (and well might not) opine on this matter. (If you want an opinion, please first, yourself, read the stuff, and then when you are educated enough to not be bamboozled by a paid hack attorney, then copy a selected portion, show it to ANY attorney you trust, and then quote him or her.)

PS: A fully-typo-free copy of the initial report can be picked up at any of these places: It's a big Microsoft Word document, about 575 KB large:

* <http://www.gordonwaynewatts.com/LPD/FDLE-REPORT-Word97-2003.doc>

* <http://www.gordonwatts.com/LPD/FDLE-REPORT-Word97-2003.doc>

Or

* <http://members.aol.com/Gww1210/myhomepage/LPD/FDLE-REPORT-Word97-2003.doc>

Reprise on previously mentioned link:

<http://www.fdle.state.fl.us/cjst/departments/Contacts/OD.html>

Oh, whatever, I think I'll send you an attachment also: There are no viruses in it, but still scan it before opening. Plus, if you wish to peruse the other docs, then use the web addresses above, but backspace until the last think is the http : // (link address) .com/LPD

That is, you stop at the "slash LPD" - Have fun!

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ALWAYS FAITHFUL - To God And God bless my friends who made me this picture.

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Truth is the strongest, most stable force in the Universe.

Truth does not change because you disbelieve it!

TRUTH doesn't bend to the will of tyrants.

Gordon Wayne Watts

Get Truth.

"First, they [Nazis] came for the Jews. I was silent. I was not a Jew. Then they came for the Communists. I was silent. I was not a Communist. Then they came for the trade unionists. I was silent. I was not a trade unionist. Then they came for me. There was no one left to speak for me." (Martin Niemoller, given credit for a quotation in *The Harper Religious and Inspirational Quotation Companion*, ed. Margaret Pepper (New York: Harper & Row, 1989), 429 -as cited on page 44, note 17, of *Religious Cleansing in the American Republic*, by Keith A. Fornier, Copyright 1993, by Liberty, Life, and Family Publications.

(Actually, they may not have come for the Jews first, as it's far more likely they came for the prisoners, mentally handicapped, and other so-called "inferiors" first -as historians tell us -so they could get "practiced up;" But, they *did* come for them -due to the silence of their neighbors -and due, in part, to their own silence. So the general idea is correct: "*Speak up now, or forever hold your peace.*" --Gordon)

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