

July 2, 2024

To: The Honorable John L. Sinatra, Jr.  
United States District Court, Western District of New York  
Robert H. Jackson United States Courthouse  
2 Niagara Square  
Buffalo, New York 14202

**RE: Case #1:22-cr-00035, USA v. Luke Marshall Wenke**

Your Honor:

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Incarcerated

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Offender Id	36937
Last Name	BATES
First Name	BRYAN
Middle Name	D
DOB	Aug. 15, 1979
Sex	Male
Risk Level	3
Designation	No Designation Applies
Race	White
Ethnicity	
Height	5' 06"
Weight	198
Hair	Brown
Eyes	Blue
Corr. Lens	
Photo Date	Jan. 20, 2023

Current Addresses

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Law Enforcement Agency Having Jurisdiction

Orleans County Sheriffs Office


Current Conviction

Title	Section
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Subsection	Class
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Category	Counts
F	1
Description	
LEWD OR LASCIVIOUS BATTERY - VICTIM 12-15 YOA (3 CTS)	
Date of Crime	
Sept. 9, 2002	
Date Convicted	
Jan. 21, 2003	
Victim Sex/Age	
Female, 13 Years	
Female, 14 Years	
Arresting Agency	
Florida Dept of Law Enforcement - Sex Offender Registry	
Offense Descriptions	
Actual,MoreThanOnce Sexual Intercourse	

Meet 44-year-old Bryan Dennis Bates, a repeat level 3 sex offender, habitual criminal, and current detainee at the Orleans County Jail. He has a lengthy rap sheet dating back decades and a whole photo album of mugshots to go along with it.

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Florida Department of Law Enforcement - Sexual Offender / Predator




BRYAN D BATES  
Date of Image : 12/12/2011

Primary Information	
Designation :	Sexual Offender
Name :	BRYAN D BATES
Status :	Released - Subject to Registration
Dept of Corrections# :	V16876
Date Of Birth :	08/15/1979
Race :	White
Sex :	Male
Hair :	Blond
Eyes :	Blue
Height :	5'08"
Weight :	161 lbs


BRYAN D BATES is registered as a Sexual Offender.  
Positive identification cannot be established unless a  
fingerprint comparison is made.

Aliases				
Bryan Bates, Bryan Dennis Bates Jr				
Scars, Marks & Tattoos				
Type	Body Location	Count		
Not Available				
Address Information				
Address	Address Source information	Map Link		
Last Reported Address - Out of State Batavia, NY 14020-2052 Genesee County	Source: REG Received Date: 01/30/2012 Address Type: Permanent	N/A		
Crime Information - Qualifying Offenses				
Adjudication Date	Crime Description	Court Case Number	Jurisdiction & State	Adjudication
01/21/2003	Lewd or lascivious battery victim 12-15 years old; F.S. 800.04(4) (PRINCIPAL)	0201434	Volusia, FL	Guilty/convict
01/21/2003	Lewd or lascivious battery victim 12-15 years old; F.S. 800.04(4) (PRINCIPAL)	0201518	Volusia, FL	Guilty/convict
Victim Information				
Gender		Minor		
Unknown		Yes		


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02/14/2020




01/03/2019




02/10/2016




08/31/2015




01/02/2015



08/29/2014



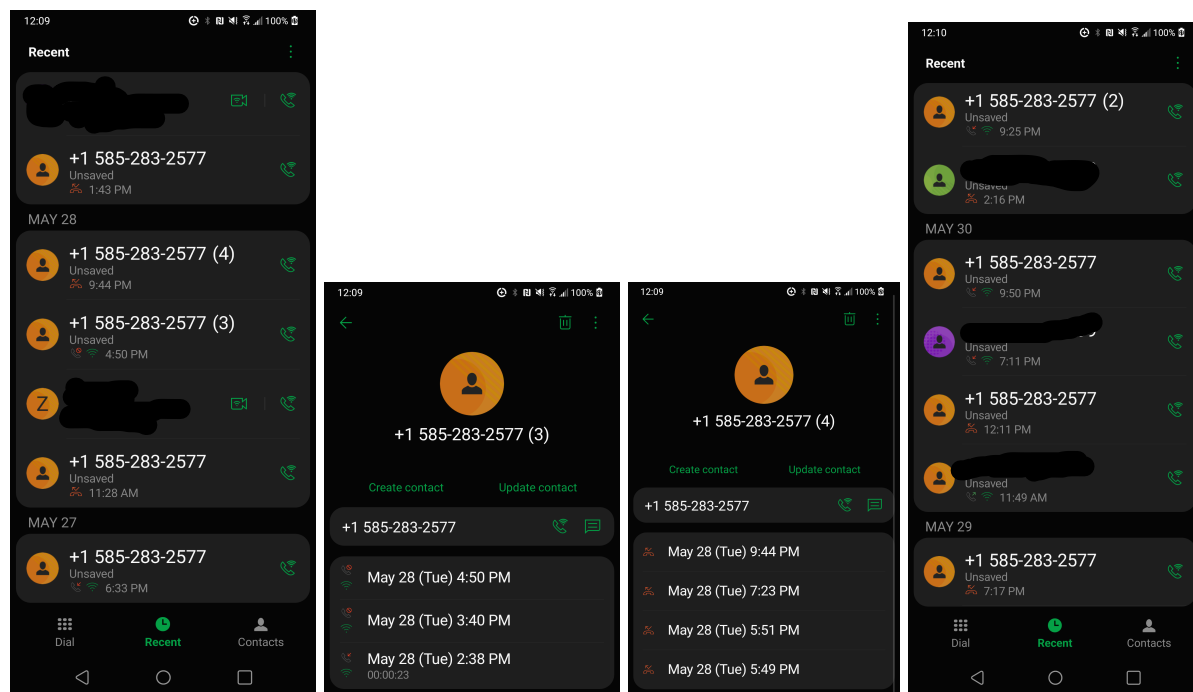


Bates has a history of lying to the police, violating parole, committing home invasions, repeatedly violating orders of protection and stay-away orders, and being physically violent.

For example, in 2022, he hit someone in the face in violation of a protective order and was sentenced to prison time:

- **Bryan Bates**, 42, of Albion pleaded guilty to first-degree criminal contempt and faces 1 ½ to 3 years in prison when he is sentenced on Sept. 28.
- Bates admitted to striking a person in the face on July 6. That person had an order of protection from Bates since July 2018.

Over a roughly five-day period beginning on May 27, 2024, I received 15 phone calls from the Orleans County Jail (phone number 585-283-2577).



I knew this would have something to do with Luke Wenke because he's the only person I know at the Orleans County Jail. Knowing the conversation would be recorded and hoping it would serve as evidence of Wenke's continued harassment and stalking, I accepted the call.

The call was complimentary and therefore only lasted about 30 seconds. When I answered, a man identifying himself as Bryan Bates asked if I knew any lawyers. **He confirmed that he got my phone number from Luke Wenke and said that Luke told him I "know lawyers."**

I asked Bates if Luke Wenke was currently in solitary confinement, and he said yes. I then asked him when Wenke gave him my phone number, and Bates said something to the effect of "the other day" or within the last few days.

I ignored or rejected the remainder of the calls, or picked up just to hear the name of the caller and hung up without accepting the call. On May 31st, I blocked all future calls from the inmate.



Luke Wenke thinks I “know lawyers” because he’s under the false impression that I work for R G , the original victim in his case that he served prison time for stalking. As you’ll notice, Wenke also seems to believe that I have connections to Benjamin Ryan and his parents, whom I’ve never even spoken to, through my imagined employment with G . Here are some examples.

Case 1:22-cr-00035-JLS-HKS Document 124 Filed 04/09/24 Page 4 of 9 Ask him about it.  
has access to Orleans County jail security equipment since Orleans  
Officer Paullock cooperated with in 2003 covering for his fake  
burner number telling Luke all kinds of lies right after she knew  
enough to steal Luke's Spirit Science tarot card deck and selenite  
crystals from Luke's house August 2003 after someone from reasonably  
suspected to be the probation office or David Rudloff's prosecutor  
cubicle told about Luke's Chautauque County phone calls.  
Don't count out any letters coming out of Orleans County Jail professing  
to be Luke Wenke actually being from Orleans County Jail. The only  
reason got a job with in 2020 was probably because  
she was being nosy about everything Luke said about Benjamin  
at house at the end of 2020 before Luke gave her  
her crockpot back at a park in Salamanca.

Letter from Luke to Judge Sinatra, uploaded to Pacer on 04/09/2024 (document 124): “The only reason she got a job with R G in 2020 was probably because she was being nosy about everything Luke said about Benjamin at house at the end of 2020 before Luke gave her her crockpot back at a park in Salamanca.”

Case 1:22-cr-00035-JLS-HKS Document 124 Filed 04/09/24 Page 5 of 9 once he advertises  
himself as such? He was the Erie County Libertarian Chair before Carol Erie County Board of Elections  
didn't like him. The Libertarian Party of New York joined Danes' former Maria Boland because she wanted to become  
a police officer. New York Libertarian Chair Andrew Kulshoefer in this day allows this kind of rhetoric to both  
former Brooklyn Libertarian Vice Chair Capitalist Kristin Daniel Christensen near Titled Andrew Kulshoefer  
Reasonable suspicion to believe is a reasonably suspected employee  
Katie Valentine has courtroom and/or Orleans County Jail inside access  
to Luke's recent phone call with Salamanca Planning Board member  
Michael Crick, Jr. not there watching Kevin Dougherty of  
Orlean's Life 22 internet show with Kevin reading all those  
letters claiming to be from Luke? What are we going to do with  
Kevin and Michael? Subpoena them? Or casually invite them up  
to Buffalo to discuss Luke's lack of violence as well as getting  
Uber Septup Transportation help establishing public transportation  
in between Salamanca and Orleans stole my selenite crystals  
and Spirit Science tarot card deck August 2003 so I am sure she  
is ready to hear Michael Crick's Lilydale NY credentialled wisdom  
telling which sugar sponsor from the past will remove her from  
the budget first and Kevin's Israel flag helping job that Orleans  
house promised her over letters to the courts.

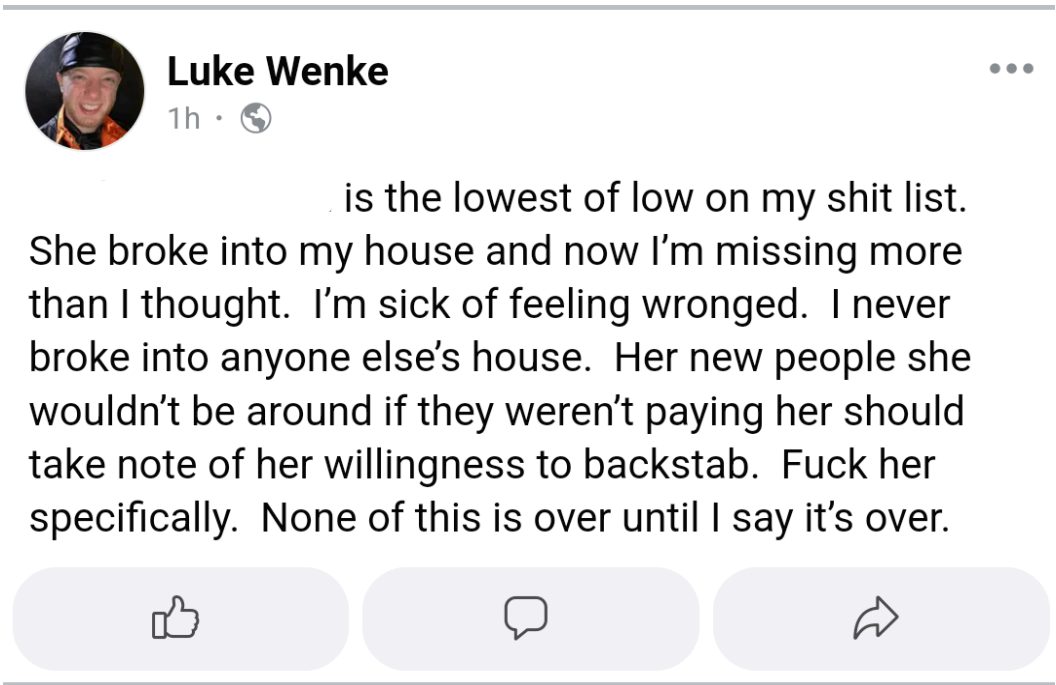
Letter from Luke to Judge Sinatra, uploaded to Pacer on 04/09/2024 (document 124): “Reasonable suspicion to believe R G ’s reasonably suspected employee has courtroom and/or Orleans County Jail inside access to Luke’s recent phone call with Salamanca Planning Board member Michael Crick.”

I am concerned about [redacted] My mother called NY state troopers on her last year and saw there is NY state trooper paperwork part saying [redacted] had schizophrenia and appeared to be on drugs at the front door. She and Matt Zenger worked together in September trying to get me arrested illegally claiming all license plates of mine that were legally turned in last year and I'm sure there is still [redacted] police proof of this too. My mother said [redacted] had my FBI Discharge last year before any of us did. Marjorie Marino did not trust Marie last year when she met [redacted] face to face. I am concerned [redacted] may illegally produce fingerprints of mine and smother them all over her car and this why we need to get [redacted] audited so we know who his employees are.

Letter from Luke Wenke to Judge Sinatra, uploaded to Pacer on 10/30/2023 (document 87): "I am concerned may illegally produce fingerprints of mine and smother them all over her car and that's why we need to get R G audited so we know who his employees are."



Screen grab from December 13, 2023



Screen grab from August 26, 2023



Luke Wenke

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Keep reading my posts, FEDS. I'm not shutting up.

Have your emotions lead on for over a year. Get into an email fight with a stranger. Have the assholes analyzing your case push the higher charge onto you so you get a felony when you never got arrested until 29. Be mandated to go to group therapy three times a week 70 miles north of you over an email fight from 1.5 years ago. Have someone you once knew get your car repo'd and then turn around and go work for the scumbag you never met who did that to you. Local police then lie to you about something else when you have evidence proving them wrong. Local police say they can't do anything when your house is broken into.

Police officers are pieces of shit. Defense lawyers are pieces of shit. I thank neither of them for anything. Thank you for ruining America.

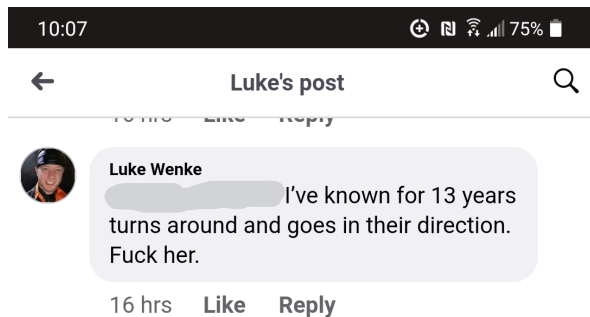
NY state clears records from a 2022 except your own. Fuck off Democrats and thanks for nothing.



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Screen grab from August 22, 2023: "Have someone you once knew get your car repo'd and then turn around and go work for the scumbag you never met who did that to you."



Screen grab from August 22, 2023



Luke Wenke

Very obvious employee to someone I'm not legally allowed to speak to broke into my house. I am owed so much it's unreal. Stolen selenite crystals also speaks volumes. Christians are atheists and the stuff we have done for years and years now is clearly much more potent. Looks like the word Illuminati is being redefined in my own vicinity.

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Screen grab from August 22, 2023



Luke Wenke

"Political Prisoner Podcast" run by Jake Lang, someone who always made all the others jealous, will keep [REDACTED] stay at home quasi-paralegals in check. People who make others jealous were always the ones to be good to. Jake Lang is winning big time.

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Screen grab from August 22, 2023



August 18, 2023: "She cannot legally talk to me right now because she is legally his employee. I am not an idiot. Fuck her."



August 18, 2023: "If [REDACTED] is out there working for who I think she does these days, there is tax evidence."



August 18, 2023

All comments ▾



**Luke Wenke** Author

That Minneapolis lawyer was having an email love affair with [REDACTED] anyone who knows me knows about and I have proof of this in my FBI Discovery...

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Screen grab from around April 2023 in the "Olean War Zone" Facebook group

Bates seemed to genuinely believe I was a friend of Luke's who could help him obtain counsel. For that reason, I don't fault him for calling me. But he's clearly a dangerous person, and I feel extremely unsafe after being contacted by him, especially after seeing that he has a criminal history of ignoring protective orders and assaulting people.

I told Mr. Zenger about the phone calls from Bates, and he said he would investigate. On my birthday, I sent him a text message asking for an update on the investigation. He told me that nothing will come of it because the court-imposed ban against contacting

me is not in effect while Luke is in jail. For the second year in a row, I spent my birthday crying and miserable because Luke had once again gotten away with harassing and stalking me. (Shortly after my birthday last year, I received a variety of phone calls from someone mouth-breathing into the phone and a text message “warning” me to “stop being a sugar girl” – something I haven’t done in years and which Luke has a bizarre obsession with.)

The fact that Luke won’t be punished or penalized for having a dangerous rapist contact me due to a technicality is beyond sickening. Luke knows right from wrong, he knows he’s not supposed to contact me or have other people contact me, and he knows that I want zero contact from him or anyone connected to him.

Zenger said that he had the jail put my number on a block list so that no inmates can call me. One of the major things that almost any authority figure I’ve spoken with has failed to grasp is that this doesn’t mean the harassment and stalking will stop. It’s been going on for years. If I had \$1 for every time the police told me to “just block” and “just ignore” him (which is what I’ve done consistently), I’d have enough money to engineer my disappearance and finally escape Luke.

It is clear that when one of Luke’s harassment/stalking strategies fails, he re-strategizes. I was not the least bit shocked that one of his jail buddies called me after his psychotic letters stopped appearing on Pacer. In fact, I was expecting something to happen, because stalkers don’t just stop. Lo and behold, Bates called me.

Now that Luke and his degenerate friends can’t contact me from jail, he will move on to something else. My fear is that he will convince someone – perhaps a recently-released inmate or a criminal on the outside – come to my house. Even if my prediction is wrong, I think it would be realistic for everyone involved in this case to agree that he’ll find a way to reach me, and that his behavior will continue to escalate no matter how many times the court tells him to stop.

can’t run away from or fight back against an able-bodied person, and while they own guns, a self-defense shooting would be life-ruining in New York State.

Having a home surveillance camera could help to prevent something like that because if my household can see who's at the door, we can know whether or not we want to answer it. If we see an unfamiliar car pull into our driveway, we can take whatever measures are necessary to keep ourselves safe, like locking the door and windows. I called victim services several weeks ago and asked if they would help me with the cost of a doorbell camera, but I haven't heard back from them.

(Victim services can't help me relocate or change my name, apparently can't help to make my current housing situation safer, and can't help me obtain an order of protection against Luke. Exactly what services do they offer for someone in my position, or is this service only meant for other people? Why am I so alone in this?)

**The fact that Luke won't be punished for having Bates call me due to a legal technicality regarding the contact ban only means he'll feel more entitled and brazen to continue invading my life any way possible, because he knows he can probably get away with it.** And while I understand that the authorities can't punish Luke for something that hasn't happened yet, I feel that the only way for me to stay safe is for the people involved in this case to understand that this would have been over a long time ago if blocking and ignoring Luke made him go away. He's literally found ways to continue tormenting me from jail.

Trust me, I don't enjoy any of this. It has drained me of time (and, therefore, money) and energy, and has taken a massive toll on my mental health. I live with constant anxiety, I now suffer from depression from feeling doomed to a lifetime of Luke terrorizing me, and I'm a shell of who I once was. I'd love to have a boyfriend – I haven't dated in years due to this situation – but I refuse to potentially make someone a target by virtue of being associated with me. Even my friendships are kept secret, because of the potential of Luke victimizing them.

I can't share even the vaguest aspects of my life on social media without automatically risking my safety, which only makes me feel even more isolated and cut off from the world. (I found out a few months ago that someone was monitoring my Instagram account, where I don't show my face but post pictures of other things, on Luke's behalf). Simply put, Luke has got me exactly where he wants me: alone, scared, constantly stressed out, tormented by PTSD symptoms, and feeling completely hopeless and helpless as I wait for whatever's going to come next (because, as I've shown, there's always something that comes next). **And he's doing it from behind bars with the law's blessing.**



My goal right now is the same as it has always been: for Luke to leave me alone. After being told by the police to stop contacting me, banned from contacting me by a judge, and being arrested for violating the court-imposed contact ban, he still hasn't stopped. I pray that everyone handling this case understands that releasing him into the free world in any capacity, including on an ankle monitor, would put me and other victims in grave danger. I'm clearly at the top of his shit list, based on his letters to the court (presumably because he's upset that I'm daring to fight back against his stalking and harassment), and Luke knows where I live. These factors put me in a heightened level of danger.

This isn't the first time something like the "Bates incident" has happened. Luke Wenke gave my phone number to an inmate in the past – **after I warned him very clearly NOT to** – and he knew that it deeply upset me.

The inmate in the previous incident, Damani (Crolle, Krull, or something to that effect), called me, text messaged me, and friend requested me on social media in the spring of 2022, telling me that Wenke told him I would be willing to use drugs with him and that I would have sex with him for \$100.

I said I wasn't interested and blocked Damani's phone number. Soon after that, I stopped using Facebook. I haven't used it since, because I no longer feel safe using most social media.

I officially ended my friendship with Wenke after the "Damani incident." (I had a myriad of other reasons to end the friendship and had wanted out for a long time, but this was the final straw.) I addressed this in a "cease and desist" letter I mailed to Wenke at the Niagara County Jail in May of 2022:



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May 23, 2022

Luke,

This is my final cease and desist letter. Stop trying to contact me, and do not contact any of my family members. Do not have anyone in your family contact me or my family members. If me, any family members, or any close friends with no personal connection to you receive unwanted contact, we will have no choice but to consider legal action for our own safety and wellbeing.

You have proven that you've learned nothing from the behaviors that landed you in jail. More than anything, you continue to blatantly disrespect clearly defined boundaries. You ignored your victims' boundaries and are now facing federal time; you've burned bridges with the vast majority of your former friends by disrespecting them and their boundaries, and you have now violated my boundaries next to the

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You gave my full name and contact information to a dangerous inmate, evidently told him that I am a drug user and a prostitute, and told him that I'd be willing to spend time with him – AFTER I told you, under VERY CLEAR and strict terms, to keep my name out of your discussions with other inmates.

You put me directly in harm's way, repeated and completely twisted details about my past that were confidential, and spread straight-up inaccurate information that made me an appealing target to male predators. The only reason I feel safe anywhere near my family's home is

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By endangering me and disrespecting my straightforward warning not to give my information to other prisoners, you disrespected me on a higher level than any enemy I've ever had. There is no coming back from it, and I can't forgive it. Not now, and not ever. This friendship is done. Don't get it twisted: time won't heal this situation, and your words mean absolutely nothing, because all you do is contradict yourself and treat your promises to others as arbitrary.

Since sending this letter, I have not contacted Wenke or responded to his unwanted correspondence. Just like the police told me to, I blocked and ignored him, and just as I told Luke I would do, I continued reporting his crimes against me to law enforcement. **I've only made efforts to be left alone, and Wenke is fully aware that I am not okay with him contacting me through third parties (including and especially fellow inmates).**

Wenke hasn't forgotten how upset I was about the "Damani incident," as evidenced by his own [recent] words below:

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I am in here donating stamps, envelopes, paper, and pens to Michael Regan. My fingerprints may be on his stuff. He says he's lost 40 pounds since 2020. On a side note, my cousin Paul Kenyon was 56 when he got with 15 year old Angel. Carl Paladino knows Paul.

and I talked about how doesn't like Damani Crolle anymore. Are Ron the Investigator and still talking after 2 years of knowing each other? I know that Frank Passafiume talked to on the phone before slammed the phone down on Frank after making base allegations against Frank that he will never be able to afford to pay Katie for her private stay at home legal secretary work.

Letter from Luke Wenke to Judge Sinatra, uploaded to Pacer on April 16, 2024 (document 126): "...and I talked about how doesn't like Damani Crolle anymore."

I am not going to name all the other credible people I could have subpoenaed into the courtroom to push away any further uncredible claims by who I have taken on several road trips alone with, I am not a woman beater like Todd McMurray, the brother of Biden endorsed Congressional candidate from yesterday Nate McMurray, who I met at Niagara County Jail two painfully long years ago. Orders of protection expire after 5 years, I kindly finish this letter to the court by asking to help me alleviate the personal pains from the past with everyone in this case in less than 5 years, please and thank you. Brett is probably mad that I told him to get Moderna, is still mad about Damani Crolle, doesn't need to lie about secretly liking Rogers. —Luke Wenke

Letter from Luke Wenke to Judge Sinatra, uploaded to Pacer on March 20, 2024 (document 119): "Brett is probably mad that I told him to get Moderna, and is still mad about Damani Crolle."

At this point, I'm left wondering: **will this ever end? I don't think it will.** I hate being me. I wish I could throw my entire identity in the trash and start over as someone else with no connections to , even if it meant never talking to my family again. And then maybe, just maybe, I'd find some semblance of peace. Maybe I could start truly recovering. **For now, that remains a distant dream.**