

# Withdrawal/Redaction Sheet

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 2, 1994

Mrs. Barbara Fortgang  
9 Trudy Court  
Huntington Station, New York 11746

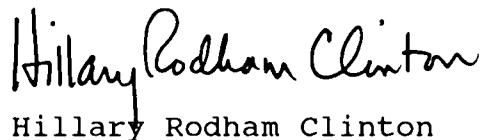
Dear Mrs. Fortgang:

Thank you for your letter. I am moved that you chose to share with me your experiences during and after the Long Island Rail Road train tragedy. I understand that every day is still a struggle for you. My deepest sympathy is with you, your fellow passengers, and your loved ones. While the process is understandably slow, I think that you will regain confidence and trust in a secure and happy life.

The President feels that the first duty of government is to try to keep all of its citizens safe. He is dedicated to this principle.

Thank you again for choosing to share with me your story. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Hillary Rodham Clinton". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Hillary Rodham Clinton

**Mrs. Barbara Fortgang  
9 Trudy Court  
Huntington Sta., NY 11746  
Tel: (516) 427-3920**

Mrs. Hillary Clinton  
**The White House**  
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue  
Washington, DC

Dear Mrs. Clinton:

As a survivor of the December 7, 1993 5:33 p.m. Car #3 Long Island Rail Road train tragedy, who is trying to deal with my emotional wounds, I appeal to you for your help in seeing that justice is served. I was both shocked and dismayed upon reading about the V.I.P. treatment being afforded Colin Ferguson in jail. You may already be aware of the numerous articles on this subject which have appeared in The New York Times and Long Island Newsday.

My entire world has been shaken. I am unable to sleep nights, I am not able to relax, and I live in constant fear of crime. Has our society degenerated to the point where people should fear for their lives when travelling to and from their jobs? This tragedy could just as well have occurred in a grocery store, a children's playground, a restaurant or a school.

I am writing this letter to you in order to attain some assurances. I will continue to feel powerless until our elected representatives work to change the laws. This tragedy can never be put behind me or my family. Those in power, can aide in helping us to put this atrocity in another place in our thoughts. I believe the answer is to re-evaluate the issue of capital punishment and gun control enforcement. You need to use all of your resources to have legislation enacted banning the manufacture, distribution and sale of semi-automatic and automatic weapons. The issue now is not how much political capital it will cost you to bring this to fruition, the issue is not to allow this tragedy or one like it to occur ever again.

I was on **car #3**, the witnesses and victims of this premeditated massacre, need to be reassured that we will play a role in the fate of Colin Ferguson. As our elected representative I believe that it is your civic and moral obligation to see that this murderer (yes Mr. Gulotta, animal) is given the maximum penalties for which he rightfully deserves. Please help me work to see justice served, for the lost lives of innocent victims, and for those of us who will forever be physically and emotionally scarred.

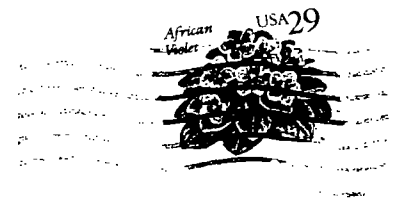
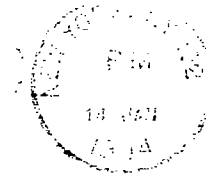
In closing, I appeal to you as a leader and a legislator who has the power to make and change laws. Please do not abandon me and all of the other survivors and victims who were on the 5:33 pm **Car #3**.

Sincerely,

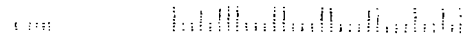


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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 7, 1994

(b)(6)

[001a]

Dear (b)(6):

Thank you very much for your thoughtful letter. I was saddened to read of your many years of anguish, but pleased that you have been able to obtain help in dealing with these feelings.

As you know, the President and I are in favor of a woman's right to choose. We believe that each woman should be allowed to make this intensely personal decision without government interference. The President and I also believe strongly that personal privacy is a fundamental right guaranteed by our nation's constitution. However, as we have both said on many occasions, we are pro-choice, not pro-abortion. Education plays a tremendous role in creating a country in which abortion is legal, safe and rare.

Once again, thank you for sharing your thoughts with me. The President and I derive a tremendous appreciation of how today's complex issues affect Americans through receiving letters such as yours.

Sincerely yours,



Hillary Rodham Clinton

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December 24, 1993

Hillary Rodham Clinton  
The White House  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Ms. Clinton:

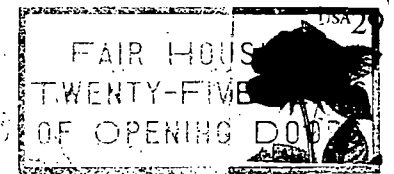
As a victim of what I once considered "progressive thinking," let me assure you that I miss the two children that I aborted some 20 and 15 years ago every day of my life. To think now that I could have allowed myself to kill my own two children is just too horrible for me to imagine. But I thought that I had the right to a "more fulfilled life" and children, at that time, were not in MY plan.

As for my fulfilled life, yes, I was able to use my college education and make some use of what I learned, but somehow, I wish I had made a different choice. The choice for life for what could have been two endearing human beings whom I could have loved and hugged and watched as they grew to be responsible adults.

Fortunately, I have been able to get some counseling for my post-abortion crises through Crisis Pregnancy Center. But for other women like me, the pain is sometimes all too consuming. I urge you -- I plead with you -- I beg you to give consideration to other potential mothers who, if they were FULLY informed of their choice to choose life rather than death, would not elect to endure the daily hell of what could have been. Please, please, please. Abortion is the most horrible of all mistakes.

Sincerely,

(b)(6)



Hillary Rodham Clinton  
The White House  
Washington D.C.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 7, 1994

Ms. Wendy Lagerstrom  
Lagerstrom Design  
882 Lakeville Circle  
Petaluma, California 94954

Dear Ms. Lagerstrom:

Thank you so much for your thoughtful and compelling letter. I appreciate the anguish and outrage you express.

It is essential that adults speak out whenever they feel children are in danger. For a great many of our nation's children, each day is a struggle to survive. Please be assured that protecting our children from violence, abuse and neglect is one of the Clinton Administration's highest priorities. However, President Clinton cannot solve these problems alone. No matter how much work is done by the government, what children will continue to need most are adults, like you, who love them, who teach them, who discipline them, and who stand up and fight for their interests.

Once again, thank you for your thoughts and for choosing to share with me your ideas and concerns. I wish you the very best for a safe and healthy year.

Sincerely yours,

Hillary Rodham Clinton

Hilary Clinton  
1600 Pennsylvania Ave. N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20500

December 29, 1993

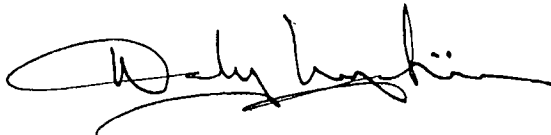
Dear Hilary,

As you know, children are abused and neglected in our country every hour of the day. In most cases this abuse and neglect leads children to grow into abusive and violent adults, as in the case of Richard Allen Davis who abducted and murdered little Polly Klaas here in our once quaint and trusting town of Petaluma. We are in anguish. We are outraged.

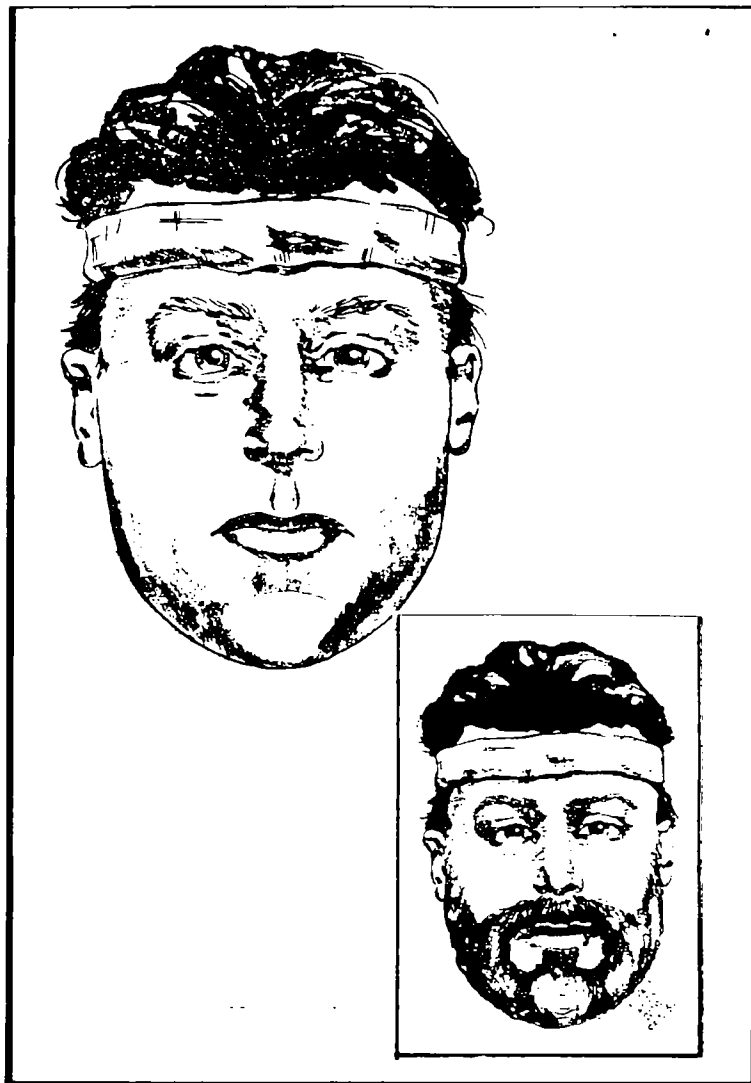
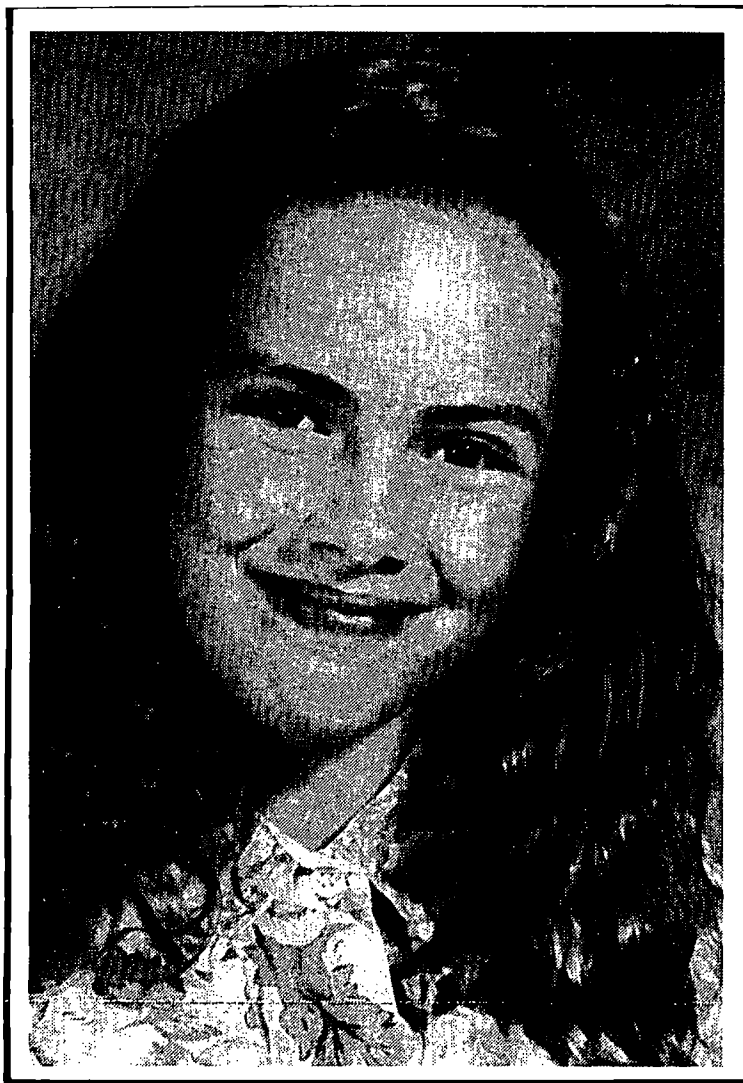
Three days ago I called the police when I heard my neighbor abusing his boys. The father is temporarily in jail, but for just \$500 can be released on bond to return home. The children, the mother and I are at risk, we don't know what violent acts he might commit in anger at being locked up. The "System" does not protect us. I've called women's and men's groups for advice and help, and they've been wonderful, but can do little to protect us. Only one of these groups is government based and it has limited resources. The rest are non profit, and are staffed by volunteers.

We need to be protected. The men need training and help to manage their anger and change their behavior. We have to stop the abuse. Please put these issues at the top of your list. Polly Klaas was not protected by the system and now she is dead. This has to stop.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Wendy Lagerström', with a large, stylized loop at the end.

Wendy Lagerström  
882 Lakeville Circle  
Petaluma, CA 94954



# **MISSING!**

## **STRANGER ABDUCTION**

### **Polly**

### **SUSPECT**

### **Hannah Klaas**

**D.O.B. 1-3-81**

**Brown Hair • Brown Eyes**

**4'10" – 80 lbs.**

**White Male Adult 30-40 yrs.  
Approx. 6'3" Dark/dark gray hair,  
full beard, wearing dark clothing  
with yellow bandana around head**

**LAST SEEN OCTOBER 1, 1993 in PETALUMA, CALIFORNIA**

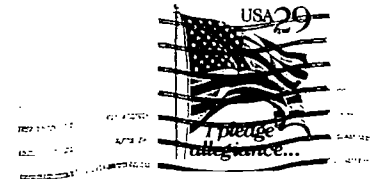
**If you have any information on this child**

**CALL THE PETALUMA, CA POLICE: 707-778-4481**

**or THE KEVIN COLLINS FOUNDATION: 800-272-0012**

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