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Dear Mr. Proctor,

Thank you for writing back. I very much appreciate it.

I'm sorry if I've made mistakes in my reporting about you or your purported role in this case. I apologize if any such errors caused you any problems or grief in jail.

I came into the Pellicano story very late. My editor asked me to start nosing around the case in the spring of 2006 – nearly four years after the alleged incident outside of Anita Busch's home. With each passing month, however, I have obtained better clarity of the government's case against Pellicano, and have tried to present pieces that scrutinize what prosecutors have led the media and the public to believe.

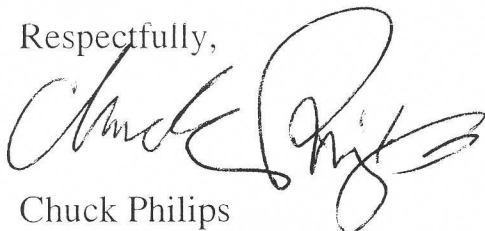
My goal is to report the truth, or as close to the truth as I can get. So once again, please accept my apology for any errors I made concerning you in my stories. If you have time, please tell me what I got wrong - and I will do my best to correct it in the future.

Also, could I appeal to you for guidance in another way. If Dan Patterson was to make himself available to me to answer three questions, what, if you were me, would you ask?

I am including several motions filed by the defense this month. If you want, I will mail you the government's responses as they become available.

Thanks for taking the time to write me.

Respectfully,



Chuck Philips