

THE STORY OF HOW A SIMPLE LETTER CHANGED A WOMAN'S LIFE

DEAR DR. THOMPSON SLATED FOR MAY 20 RELEASE

The first complete account of Lisl Auman's tragic journey; And the campaign by Hunter Thompson that set her free

DENVER — Get ready to take a ride in the Thunder Chicken — a freshly stolen arrest-me red Trans Am — with Lisl Auman and skinhead Matthaeus Jaehnig. Jaehnig shot a police officer then turned the gun on himself — all while Auman was already in handcuffs in a police cruiser. But she was sent to prison for life without parole.

Ghost Road Press is preparing to release *DEAR DR. THOMPSON: Felony Murder, Hunter S. Thompson and the Last Gonzo Campaign*, by Matthew L. Moseley, on May 20, 2010. The book will be the first and most complete story of Lisl Auman and the crusade by Hunter Thompson that ultimately freed her from a life sentence without parole after eight years in prison. The book has attracted accolades from Walter Isaacson, Douglas Brinkley, Crystal Zevon and Morris Dees among others.

"We could not be more excited about this project because it shows Warren Zevon and Hunter Thompson in never-before-seen roles as activists," said Matt Davis, publisher of Ghost Road Press. "This book is very different from other books about Hunter after his death because it is not about Hunter, per se, but a story in which he is a character in a much larger drama that took place within the Colorado justice system. That is why this book is fresh, exciting and original."

DEAR DR. THOMPSON will be controversial because it exposes potential lies orchestrated by Denver Police, prosecutorial shenanigans from the Denver District Attorney's Office led by Bill Ritter, who is the current governor of Colorado, and shows how the media was manipulated to drive public opinion through misleading reporting. This book uses the Lisl Auman case as a leitmotif for an important call to action to abolish the felony murder rule. Gerald Goldstein writes a postscript in the book about why felony murder is draconian and morally wrong.

The author, Colorado based communications strategist, Matthew Moseley, worked with Hunter Thompson as the organizer of the National Committee to Free Lisl Auman and the Auman family spokesperson. "I felt this book was important to write because no one had told the harrowing story of Lisl Auman from beginning to end," said Moseley. "I hope my book is a tribute, not just to Hunter Thompson and Warren Zevon, but for all of those who had the foresight and courage to stand up in our campaign that freed a young woman from prison — and for all of those who are still wrongly imprisoned under the dubious felony murder rule. There are a number of lessons from my book, but I also wrote it to show how one little letter can change a person's life and the awesome power that can be unleashed when we reach out to others and organize."

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