

CRIMINOLOGY

Whitney Hibbard wrote a book published in 1982 entitled "Psychic Criminology" wherein he discusses working with psychics on criminal investigations. He is a forensic Hypnotist and Licensed investigator. There are many considerations which must be taken into account on the part of both the investigator and the psychics when working on criminal cases. For instance, the investigator should be knowledgeable of parapsychology and familiar with the language or vocabulary used by psychics. Additionally, he or she should be open minded and maintain healthy skepticism. Most psychics believe, for example, that the mind does not die at physical death of the body.

PROBLEMS CREATED BY THE INVESTIGATORS

-Investigators have a tendency to give more credence to the information from those psychics he likes and disregard that information provided by those he dislikes. This is a big mistake because there is no apparent correlation between personality and quality of the information received.

-The investigator picks and chooses through interpretation of the information according to his own mind set. Equal consideration must be given to all the information as given and the investigator must be prepared to act on it.

-The investigator can become frustrated with psychics because of the nature of psychic information. The information can seem incomplete, sporadic, and sometimes symbolic or even irrelevant. A psychic can unknowingly tune into wrong case, for example.

PROBLEMS CREATED BY THE PSYCHICS

Psychics can create their own set of problems by:

- Calling the investigator w/new information
- Becoming deputized or too involved with the police work
- Becoming a personal counselor for personal problems
- Unnecessarily feeling victim's pain

*- Telling investigator what to do
- Manipulating investigator*

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PSYCHICS' STRENGTHS AND WEAKNESSES

- Psychics are generally better at describing physical characteristics and the personality of perpetrators.
- Correct names or initials are rarely given but are occasionally spelled phonetically.
- Frequently psychics get correct names of places.
- Most psychics cannot get an accurate time frame for the information. Confusion lies in past, present, or future timing.
- Sometimes the clues provided by the psychic have not happened yet.

THE INVESTIGATOR MUST BE ALERT TO THE FOLLOWING FACTORS WHILE WORKING WITH PSYCHICS ON CRIMINAL CASES:

- Psychics tend to confuse information regarding the victim and perpetrator.
- Confuse information from other ongoing cases.
- Impressions can be telepathically picked up from the investigator.
- Extraneous impressions irrelevant to the case.
- Accurate information can be distorted by symbolic misinterpretation or emotional reaction to the crime by the psychic.
- A psychic may receive only a portion of the original event and can make mistakes when providing the facts.
- A psychic may interpret a case in light of their own memories or belief systems.
- Likewise an investigator's expectations and attitudes can contaminate or influence the information.
- Sometimes information is transferred telepathically by verbal or non verbal cues.
- It is important to have a positive attitude anticipating success on both the part of the investigator and the psychic.
- Working with more than one psychic can either add conflicting information or add more pieces to the puzzle.
- There is a tendency to not follow up on a psychic's cues or avoid giving credit to the psychic when she or he is accurate.
- The psychic must remain anonymous, while the case is on going.

CONDITIONS CONDUCIVE TO PSYCHIC INVESTIGATIONS

- Finding the right psychics and determining how they work best, ie. With what techniques?
- Psychic work needs to be low pressure, with whatever working conditions needed by the psychic.
- Interesting cases motivate psychics and assurance of feedback when available provides incentive.
- The quantity and quality of psychic impressions is greater when the case is hot.
- Open mindedness, mutual respect, and an amicable working

relationship are necessary between the psychic and investigator.
- There must be a mutual understanding of objectives required.

- Psychics should be used as an on going aid and not merely as a last resort on major cases.