

New Book Solves Two LA Freeway Serial Killer Murder Mysteries, Employs Bill Bonin's Jailhouse Diaries & Confessions

Dear [NAME]:

A new historical biography of Freeway Killer Bill Bonin, *Without Redemption* solves two 40-year-old murder mysteries.

A treasure trove of the killer's jailhouse diaries and written confessions, hidden for over 40 years, helped the authors detail the murders of 22 teenage boys. Vonda Pelto, Ph.D. and Michael B. Butler reveal how the notorious Bonin masterminded his killing spree in 1979/80 and was only caught from a series of lucky breaks.

Bonin was arrested THREE TIMES during his reign of terror and let go every time. The book also shows how one day, when the paths of three murderers and one acquaintance crossed, had a profound impact on future events.

Without Redemption, using documents from variety of sources, including Bonin's own writings, brings the reader into the back and forth with witnesses, lawyers, media, jailhouse snitches, friends, friends, family, inmates at Los Angeles Men's Central Jail and Bonin's co-murderers.

I've included additional information below. If you would like a review copy or to interview the authors please contact me.

Thank you for your consideration.

Eric Blair
319-504-3788
flotsampr@pm.me

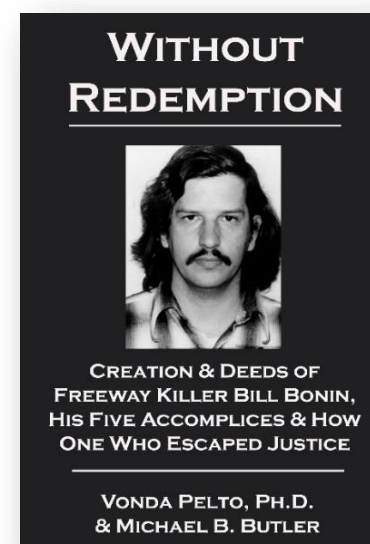
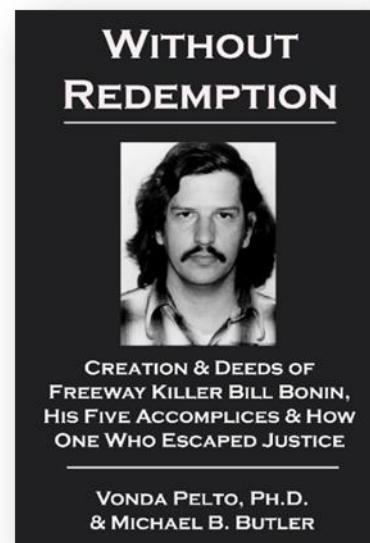
Without Redemption: Creation & Deeds of Freeway Killer Bill Bonin, His Five Accomplices & How One Who Escaped Justice

Vonda Pelto, Ph.D. & Michael B. Butler
www.WithoutRedemption.com

Los Angeles, CA—*Without Redemption* was written on a number of parallel tracks that constantly intersect: First, it is the most detailed historical biography ever written about Bill Bonin, the notorious Freeway Killer responsible for murdering 22 teenage boys over ten-months in 1979-80.

Second, it is a psychological roadmap which charts the evolution of Bonin's personality from abused child to sexual predator to serial killer. This is accomplished using documents from his childhood, war service, multiple California government mental health and penal institutions, witness testimony and the expertise of Clinical Psychologist Vonda Pelto, Ph.D., who had many sessions with Bonin and two of his accomplices while working in Los Angeles Men's Central Jail.

Third, it is a narrative which, using long hidden documents, reveals the inner workings of



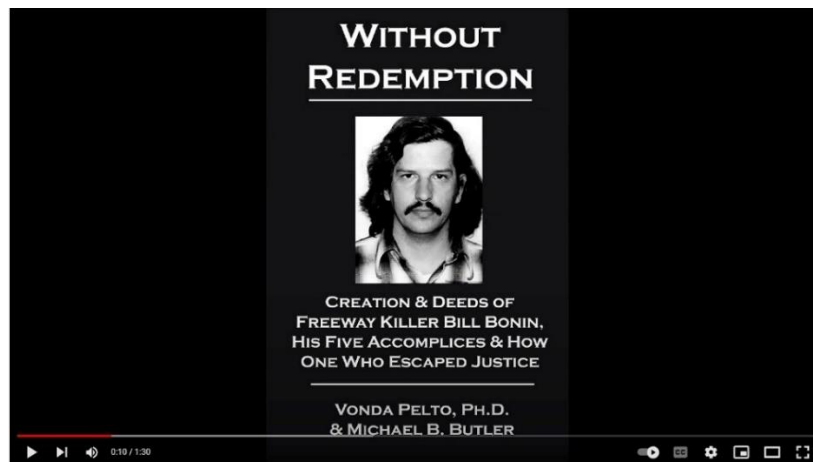
Bonin's mind, showing how he thought, felt, planned and viewed the world. The narrative displays Bonin, an abused high school dropout, cleverly manipulating lawyers, judges, doctors, social workers, friends, family, probation officers, government bureaucrats, detectives, journalists and, most tragically, the innocent victims of his rage.

Fourth, ***Without Redemption*** reveals the complex story of what happened after Bonin's final arrest, when so much was in flux and so many moving parts were swirling about. Archived investigative documents, collected from a variety of sources, brings to light a number of surprising, shocking, sad and even funny events from those ten tumultuous months from June 1980 to March 1981.

Finally, it is a book which solves two 40-year-old murder mysteries and unlocks how one day of crossroads and coincidences, in the midst of the murder spree, profoundly impacted many lives and future events.

- **The most detailed bio of serial killer Bill Bonin ever written using previously hidden documents.**
- **How childhood abuse & Vietnam War service helped create what followed.**
- **How Bonin manipulated California judicial, mental health & prison systems for nine years before the killings.**
- **Interviews of Bonin, Miley & Munro with Vonda Pelto, Ph.D. before, during & after his Los Angeles trial.**
- **Bonin's jailhouse writings offer new perspective on his brutality, methods, thoughts and personality.**
- **How & Why Bonin covered for accomplice Eric Wijnaendts, who helped him with two murders.**
- **How & Why March 24, 1980, is a key date in the Bill Bonin story.**

View the ***Without Redemption*** Book Trailer at <https://bit.ly/3AAeKOK>



Without Redemption: Creation & Deeds of Freeway Killer Bill Bonin, His Five Accomplices & How One Escaped Justice, Paperback ISBN: 979-8841931249, Hard Cover ISBN: 979-8844477775. For more info go to www.WithoutRedemption.com and purchase copies at [Amazon](https://www.amazon.com) or [Barnes & Noble](https://www.barnesandnoble.com).

Media Contact: For interviews or to request review copies contact Flotsam PR at 319-504-3788 or writerb@pm.me.

About the Authors: Vonda Pelto, Ph.D., author of *Without Remorse* and co-author of *Without Redemption*, was born and raised in the small town of Needles, California, in the barren desert. Brought up in a strict Southern Baptist household, her sheltered childhood and family life meant Vonda was in for a rude awakening when she was hired for a unique job. After the unexpected January 1981 jailhouse suicide of Freeway Killer Vernon Butts, the Los Angeles County Mental Health & Sheriff's Departments needed a new strategy to prevent this from happening with any other high-profile inmates awaiting or standing trial.

Michael B. Butler, author of *A World Flight Over Russia*, is a professional photographer who has worked extensively in book, travel and corporate PR. His assignments documenting the 50th Anniversaries of Pearl Harbor and D-Day, flying around the world across Russia on the World Flight in July 1992, documenting a Pilgrimage to the Holy Land with 700 Christians in 2013 and multiple PR junkets to Ireland and Tahiti added ample materials to his media library.

Excerpts from *Without Redemption*

—Five days after killing his first two victims, dumped about 80-miles apart in different law enforcement jurisdictions, Bonin was right back at it in Orange County. On Thursday, August 9, he went out cruising in the van and found someone willing to enter into Bonin's evolving world of horror.

—On the road from deal to court, witnesses need to be protected, sometimes coddled, and that can be difficult in a place like LA Men's Central Jail. Some of the protective measures employed are rather creative and amusing. I, Vonda Pelto, was brought into LA Men's Central Jail in August 1981 for this exact purpose; helping to keep defendants and/or witnesses alive till the trial was over.

—Maloney sat down with Olsen and argued that other city papers would be "relentless" in pursuing the truth, not allowing police to "double-talk" them into dropping a line of inquiry. Public knowledge of a "serial killer" on the loose would place additional pressures on law enforcement. Perhaps LAPD was protecting a recently tarnished image from the blown Hillside Strangler case. After spending millions investigating the Hillside Stranglers, Kenneth Bianchi was arrested after killing two more women by a small city police department in Bellingham, Washington.

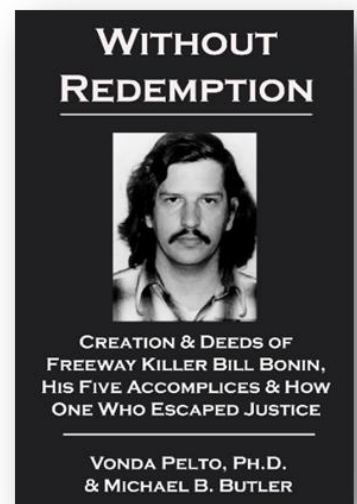
—After arriving at Vern's, Bonin told King to wait in the car while he got something inside. He got a blanket, twine and a steak knife from Vern and again urged him to come along, Butts refused. This was yet another steak knife Butts complained about losing during his killing association with Bonin.

—With little to go on, detectives scrambled to match Bonin's activities to murder dates while collecting evidence. For example, detectives knew Bonin was in custody twice in the previous year for a total of 12-weeks, so any murders during those dates could be ruled out. Charges in the drug arrest were never filed against Fraser.

—Lopez told him about Eric's hearing and asked him what Billy Pugh was like? Bonin said he was a "real ruffian" and then Lopez told him Sgt. Esposito was out of state searching for a suspect. Bonin found this amusing, "I knew he was out of state and felt it was in connection with my case. Now I know for sure. He's spinning his wheels."

—How ironic is this scene: A possible serial killer under surveillance for murdering an untold number of boys trying to capture a petty thief and ready to help the police identify him; comical if not so tragic.

—Quickly all the major media outlets joined the chorus as phone tips flooded law enforcement and newspaper offices. Damage control saw Captain Walt Ownbey, of the LA Sheriff's Dept., call the Freeway Killer "a total figment in the minds of journalists" and blaming the OC Register for unnecessarily, without evidence, igniting public hysteria.



Media Questions for Authors of *Without Redemption*

- 1) How did the idea for a book on Bill Bonin come about?
- 2) Vonda, I understand you met with Bonin and two of his accomplices while they were standing trial, what was Bonin like?
- 3) How many did Bonin kill and how did he get caught?
- 4) You write about someone getting away with murder, how did that happen?
- 5) How does someone like Bonin become a vicious serial killer?
- 6) Why is *Without Redemption* the most detailed biography ever written about Bonin?
- 7) Are any of his accomplices still alive?
- 8) Do you truly believe Bonin was a man *Without Redemption*?

