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Now you are a rich fucker, money you made from the dead body of that little kid. Oh, he was a sweet little piece of ass! I want to make a deal with you. Here's my deal. You pay me money and I'll tell where the bones are so you can get them buried all decent and Christian.

I know you'll find a way to make sure I get the electric chair but at least I'll have money to spend before I burn. If you want the bones of your little cockteaser you send a private lawyer with money for me. No cops. No State attorneys. No FDLE. Just a private lawyer with a written contract. I get \$5,000. as "good faith" money. Then when I show you some bones I get \$45,000. You get a lawyer to make up a paper like that.

If you send the police after me before we make a deal then you don't get no bones and what's left of hot pussy can rot. I remember how the little bitch was crying for his mommy when I was ramming out his asshole. I love to fuck a boy, and then I love to kill them. Now you want his bones or not? Tell the cops and you don't get shit.

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OTIS E. TOOLE, 090812  
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*Handwritten notes in the top left corner, possibly indicating the sender's name or address.*



James A. Luter #101700  
Florida State Prison  
P.O. Box 747  
Tallahassee, Fla. 32304

Kelly Hancock (Eg)  
State Attorney's Office  
17th Judicial Circuit of Florida  
Broward County Courthouse  
Fort Lauderdale, FLA. 33301

Legal Mail

INSTITUTION Florida State Prison CELL/DORM & BUNK M 3116  
NAME James Slater NUMBER 101700 DATE 10/9/88

Dear Mr. Hancock,

I have information for you in regards to the Adam Walsh kidnapping and murder. I know the guy who committed these high crimes on this six year old boy. The man who committed these crimes is OTTIS TOOLE D.O.C. # C-090812. I know Adam Walsh was taken from a Sears store in June or July of 1981. He was wearing a pull over shirt with two colors. He had a base ball cap with him at the time plus a red toy fire truck. The police have one hunting knife that killed Adam Walsh. Plus I know where the other knife is at, that was used to cut up Adam Walsh. Adam Walsh's head was found in the water works on the Florida turn pike between the 129 - 138 markers on the freeway. I know Adam Walsh was raped in a number of different ways, and were he was kept after the kidnapping. I know the police have Otis Toole's car in which blood was found in it. I know a great deal more about this case and other murders committed by Otis Toole. Otis Toole

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Very truly Yours  
James Steven Slater  
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Florida State Prison  
P.O. Box 444  
Starke Fla. 32091

ON FSP CELL/DORM & BUNK M-1-N-6  
NAME G. J. Schaefer NUMBER 039506 DATE Oct. 9, 1988

Mr. Hancock,

The enclosed letter is 100% for real. In addition to the enclosed letter I have a signed confession to the murder of Adam Walsh which has been turned over to a 3rd party, a lawyer, for safe keeping. That signed and dated confession shall be produced once I am down at the Broward Co. jail.

My lawyer is N.S. JILANI out of Miami. I have discussed the Toole confession with her and my intended course of action and my counsell has advised me to contact you and cooperate and that once I am down at the jail we can meet and discuss my additional assistance and the turning over of additional inculpatory materials concerning Mr. Toole.

When you receive this letter contact my mother, DORIS SCHARFER, at 305-581-6761, and she will give you the phone # of my lawyer so you can call her and confirm this as well as make arrangements for our transfer to the jail and our initial meeting concerning the additional materials being held outside my custody which will help you with prosecuting Toole. I have a wealth a detail concerning the Walsh murder which Toole has confided to me, including an appropriate location of the boy's remains.

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October 26, 1988

Inspector Ron Davis  
P.O. Box 747  
Starke, Florida 32091

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My thanks for your interest, cooperation and diligence.

Yours very truly,

WALTER F. LaGRAVES, JR.  
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1-800-527-2492  
Susan BARBOSA of  
Lakeland Ledger newspaper  
received letter from Otis Toole  
in ref to interview, etc. ref  
his "confession"

She called Bob McMaster,  
info center @ Tallahassee D.O.C  
(scom 278:0420) who in turn  
called Davis' office

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Also Toole has just recently been  
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Done in from the  
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