

# O.J. Simpson bugged Nicole, says private investigator

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**O.J. Simpson** apparently doesn't have enough to worry about with two co-defendants in his Vegas robbery case ready to

testify against him. Now a private eye who worked for Simpson is alleging that the disgraced gridiron star once hired notorious Hollywood P.I. **Anthony Pellicano** to bug and harass Nicole Brown Simpson.

**Bill Pavelic**, the lead investigator for Simpson's defense team during his criminal trial for the murders of Nicole and Ron Goldman, says: "I know for a fact that Nicole Brown Simpson was a victim of stalking and that her cars and residence had been wiretapped."

Pavelic, a 19-year veteran of the LAPD, believes Simpson hired Pellicano to do eavesdropping based, in part, on similarities to the bugging devices he says Pellicano planted at **Michael Jackson**'s Neverland Ranch.

"I saw it with my own eyes," says Pavelic. "The equipment in Nicole's house and car was almost identical to what he installed at Michael Jackson's."

At the time, Pellicano was working for Jackson, though Pavelic observes, "Pellicano was always working for two, or three, different sides — gathering information he can trade someday."

Pavelic believes that, based on Pellicano's surveillance, O.J. was able to know when Nicole was seeing other men. "Pellicano facilitated O.J.'s ability to stalk her," alleges Pavelic, who also believes Pellicano, or people working for him, made numerous harassing calls to Nicole.

In September 1994, Pellicano was subpoenaed to testify before a grand jury after it was alleged that he was shadowing Nicole the night of the murders.

**John Dunton**, a convicted forger jailed for refusing to appear before the grand jury investigating Simpson's friend **Al (A.C.) Cowlings**, told police he saw Pellicano in a car outside Nicole's Brentwood home.

At the time, Pellicano told the Associated Press, "I don't think police believe him."

But in a taped phone conversation between Pellicano and tabloid reporter Jim Mitteager, Pellicano is heard to say: "The cops believe it."

Pellicano then says: "Why can't this be [bleeping] true! Can you imagine how much [bleeping] money I could make if I was there, if I saw O.J. kill his wife!"

The tape, supplied by former Pellicano legman **Paul Barresi**, is posted on [www.billpavelic.com](http://www.billpavelic.com). According to Pavelic, Pellicano never testified before the grand jury because he was friendly with prosecutor **Chris Darden** and LAPD detective **Mark Fuhrman**.

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Darden didn't return calls. Fuhrman later hired Pellicano to help defend him against claims that Fuhrman planted evidence. Pavelic detonated Fuhrman's testimony by releasing evidence

of racist comments.

Pellicano is currently in prison for illegal wiretapping.

"Cops knew about Pellicano's wiretapping of Nicole," alleges Pavelic, who will tell more in his book, "Guilty of Incompetence." "Had Nicole not been murdered, his wiretapping would have been exposed long ago."

## Side Dish

Well-placed sources tell us that pop star **Pink**'s marriage is on its last legs. Apparently, when the singer married her biker beau, **Carey Hart**, she took a "Don't ask, don't tell" policy and agreed to let him have his fun when she's away

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...and, even for policy and agreed to let him have his fun when she's away on tour. But she's changed her mind now that her biological clock has started ticking. "Divorce is just around the corner," says our mole. "Carey has this one blond in particular that he takes everywhere, even public appearances. But Pink knew what she was getting into!" Stupid girl, indeed.

Sometimes husbands should not listen to their wives. The other night at his new Sky360 Lounge on W. 57th St., **Rande Gerber** recalled how his, **Cindy Crawford**, "made me quit racing-car lessons because she was worried they were too dangerous." Shortly afterward, Gerber told Webster Hall's **Baird Jones**, "Cindy and I were driving in Malibu, going up a hill. Coming up the other side were a bunch of horses that had gotten loose from a ranch. We hit the hill at the same time. We did a couple of 360s [and avoided them]. The car behind us hit the horses. My wife never bothered me about my interest in racecar driving after that."

"Are you absolutely sure you're not dead?" **Richard Belzer** asked **Pat Cooper** before ripping into him during the Friars' Club roast for the venerable funnyman. Cooper, known for his appearances on **Howard Stern's** show, was lightly flambéed by a cadre of peers, including **Colin Quinn**, who deadpanned, "the after-party for this [roast] is in heaven," while gesturing at **Dominic Chianese**, **Danny Aiello** and other older actors seated on the dais. But the best crack of the roast came courtesy of **Jeffrey Ross**, who quipped, "Never have there been so many mediocre Italian actors in one place. This is like a casting call for 'OK-Fellas.'"

NYC designer **Julie Haus**, who dresses **Eva Mendes**, **Jessica Alba** and **Sophia Bush**, previewed her spring fashion line at Pop Burger. "Gossip Girl's" **Leighton Meester** was supposed to attend but "got caught in traffic." Nobody seemed to notice — all the Svedka vodka was gone by 9 p.m.!

File this under "W" for "We Couldn't Agree More." This month, Blender magazine crowned Starship's crap anthem "We Built This City" the worst song of all time. "Achy Breaky Heart" by mulleted warbler **Billy Ray Cyrus** won second place, while **Paul McCartney** and **Stevie Wonder's** ditty, "Ebony and Ivory" took home the bronze medal.

The circus is coming! No, Britney isn't making a trip to New York — for the next two months, celebrities are taking over the Big Apple Circus. "Law & Order's" **Mariska Hargitay** and **Chris Meloni**, along with Broadway funnyman **Bill Irwin**, Oscar winner **Marcia Gay Harden**, "The Sopranos" **Joe Pantoliano** and **Yankee Jorge Posada** will all serve as guest ringmasters for the animal-friendly, elephant-free spectacle.

Spain's hottest designers have failed to thaw ice queen **Anna Wintour**. The Vogue editrix turned up with **Oscar de la Renta** at the Madrid Fashion Week Exhibition sponsored by the Queen Sofia Spanish Institute (see photo above). Devota & Lomba, **Miguel Palacio** and **Alma Aguilar** showed off their fanciest frocks, but Ms. Wintour was less than wowed. "Spain will have to do a lot more than this if it wants to compete with France and Italy," she was heard to say. Dios mio!

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