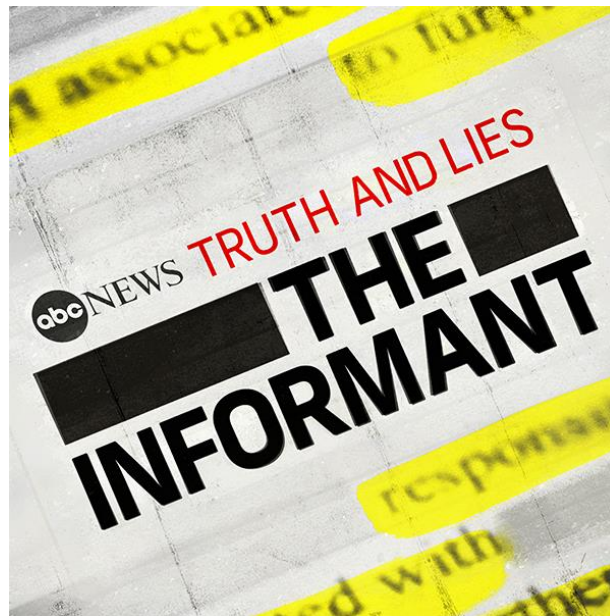


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## ABC NEWS ANNOUNCES THE SECOND SEASON OF ITS AWARD-WINNING TRUE-CRIME PODCAST SERIES 'TRUTH AND LIES'

**'Truth and Lies: The Informant' Documents How an Ordinary Man Turned Hero Risked His Life to Stop a Devastating Terror Attack**

**The First Two Episodes of the Five-Part Series Premiere on Wednesday, Jan. 11, 2023**



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ABC News announced today the return of its award-winning, hit true-crime podcast series ["Truth and Lies: The Informant."](#) The second season tells the remarkable story of Dan Day, an ordinary man who risked his life to prevent a terror attack that officials believe could have surpassed the death and destruction of the Oklahoma City Bombing. The five-part narrative series hosted by author **Dick Lehr** ("White Hot Hate: A True Story of Domestic Terrorism in America's Heartland") explores how a father and husband in Garden City, Kansas, gained the trust and confidence of the FBI and found the courage to infiltrate a right-wing militia group planning to carry out mass murder. The first two episodes will be released on **WEDNESDAY, JAN. 11**, with new episodes published weekly.

"Truth and Lies: The Informant" features Day's secret audio recordings as he goes undercover for the FBI. The tapes offer critical insight into members of the militia group and the terror plot they hatched and methodically planned over several months. The series spotlights interviews with figures central to the story, including Day, the FBI agents and federal prosecutor who led the investigation, as well as members of the Muslim community that the hate group targeted. George Stephanopoulos Productions' Hulu documentary "The Informant: Fear and Faith in the Heartland" serves as the source material for these firsthand accounts and interviews.

The podcast also features new interviews delving into the persistent and pervasive scourge of Islamophobia in this country and how the politically charged rhetoric of 2016 added fuel to the fire.

This series marks the second installment of ABC Audio's "Truth and Lies" franchise, following the hit first season "Truth and Lies: Jeffrey Epstein," which won the 2021 Edward R. Murrow Award for Investigative Storytelling. It chronicled the rise and fall of the disgraced financier and the stories of the women who fought to bring him to justice.

"Truth and Lies: The Informant" is available for free on major listening platforms, including [Apple Podcasts](#), [Spotify](#), [Amazon Music](#), Google Podcasts, [iHeartRadio](#), [Pandora](#), [Stitcher](#), [TuneIn](#), Audacy and the ABC News app.

### **About Dick Lehr**

Lehr is a professor of journalism at Boston University and the author of eight award-winning nonfiction and fiction books, including "White Hot Hate: A True Story of Domestic Terrorism in America's Heartland" and "The Birth of a Movement: How Birth of a Nation Ignited the Battle for Civil Rights," which was the basis for a PBS/Independent Lens documentary. He also co-authored the Edgar Award-winning New York Times bestseller "Black Mass: Whitey Bulger, the FBI and a Devil's Deal," which was adapted into a worldwide feature film by Warner Bros. Lehr previously wrote for the Boston Globe, where he was a member of its Spotlight Team and a Pulitzer Prize finalist for investigative reporting.

### **About ABC Audio**

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