



Supernatural Encounters: True Paranormal Accounts from Law Enforcement Written by: Dr. Elliott Van Dusen, Ph.D.

Belief in the paranormal as a law enforcement officer is unconventional. Perhaps this is due to the ridged paramilitary training in which they receive. After all, paranormal events transcend from the laws of nature as we presently understand them. They defy the very logic and reasoning in which law enforcement officers are programmed to operate in. Law enforcement agencies prefer and require a diverse workforce, however, psychological (of or relating to psychology) profiles target individuals who possess specific traits. These traits are needed in order to survive the demanding stresses of the occupation. Some of these traits include strong judgment, integrity, and dependability.

Paranormal phenomena defies both the nature and property of matter and energy. Unlike criminal cases, supernatural events do not result in sensible conclusions. Laboratory experiments, measuring psychic phenomena, have not produced integral data which results in replication errors when re-tested by other parapsychologists. Across-the-board, parapsychology (the study of alleged psychic phenomena and other paranormal claims) is not a dependable science.

With all that being said, law enforcement are professional witnesses trained to navigate through a web of deceit in order to separate facts from fiction. They are trained to remain impartial and collect only factual information during the performance of their duties. That is why when they do witness a supernatural encounter, their testimony comes with perceived weight.

When I began writing *Supernatural Encounters: True Paranormal Accounts from Law Enforcement*, I had no foresight on the response I would get. My background in law enforcement served me well, allowing me to gain the trust of reluctant witnesses in law enforcement. I served 15 years with the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP). I have been contacted by television producers, podcasters, journalists, and other forms of media. It has also led to an influx in communication with other law enforcement personnel who have been so kind to share their fascinating paranormal experiences with me. I am presently working on *More Supernatural Encounters from Law Enforcement*, with an anticipated release date of Fall 2021.

The idea for this book arose out of my love and interest in parapsychology and law enforcement. Many comparisons can be made between the two professions. For instance, criminology and parapsychology are both interdisciplinary social sciences. Despite the misconception, parapsychology is not a pseudo-science. It has been recognized by the American Association for the Advancement of Science since 1969 as a social science. While criminology is the study of crime as a social phenomenon, parapsychology is the study of extrasensory perception, mind-matter interaction, and survival after bodily death and how it associates to human experiences as a social phenomenon.

Parapsychologists and criminal investigators share a common trait, they are truth seekers. I do not only incorporate my interview and interrogation training into my parapsychological research but follow a similar investigative process that a police officer would when compiling a criminal case for the courts. I thoroughly research each story, trying to corroborate as much information as possible. Albeit, some stories are succinct. Do not let the brevity fool you though. I wrote to government and law enforcement agencies under statutory authorities, such as the Freedom of Information Act, in order to collect additional information. Some of those agencies refused to release any further information. I traveled in order to speak with witnesses and record interviews. Some witnesses were not available, could not be located, or simply ignored my request to speak with them. I researched both historical and modern records and literature. I tracked down newspaper articles that confirmed events or witness accounts. I dug through government and university archives for records. At the conclusion of my research, I compiled the best and most accurate information available for my readers.

So what strange encounters have these professional witnesses come forthwith? *Supernatural Encounters: True Paranormal Accounts from Law Enforcement* delves into ghost sightings, hauntings, poltergeists, a ghost ship, a vampire, and even a demonic possession. You will also discover credible UFO sightings retrieved from the real "X-Files" housed at the Canadian Government's Library and Archives.

Readers will learn how the indigenous people of Whati believe a Bushman is responsible for some of the missing people in Canada's boreal forest. Nestled in Canada's Northwest Territories, is a Bigfoot-type creature who terrorizes the indigenous people of Whati. They call it Nàhga (pronounced na-ga), or in English, the Bushman. Any RCMP officer transferred to Whati is promptly warned of this magical creature. Bushman has been described by those who have seen it, to be a hairy ape-like creature that walks upright. The indigenous people believe the Bushman is responsible for kidnapping children and bush camp workers.

The Coventry Police Department in Rhode Island are no strangers to unusual events. On September 1, 2018, they responded to a call of a woman emerging from the woods on Hopkins Hollow Road wearing a white wedding dress and screaming for help. Officers attended and searched the area, but they did not locate anyone matching that description. On their Facebook page, they boldly posted that it may have been a restless spirit from the Hopkins Hollow Cemetery or suggested that it may have been the ghost of Nellie Vaughn. Nellie died in 1889 at the age of 19 and was accused of being a vampire. She has been known to wonder from her resting place in the Plain Meeting House Cemetery declaring that she is "perfectly pleasant and not a vampire."

Poltergeist cases are common supernatural events often reported to police agencies. Once the activity becomes unbearable, residents phone the police as a last resort for help. On February 12, 2018, in Maraksa Pervaya, Russia (or just referred to the village of Maraksa) a married couple and their adopted 15-year-old son began experiencing poltergeist phenomena. Household objects began levitating and were strewn all over the house. A knife was thrown across the room by an unseen force and stuck in one of the kitchen walls. After two days of torment, they finally decided to telephone the police. While in attendance, police officers witnessed a stick fly out of an empty room, and books spontaneously fall from wall mounted shelves. The police report indicated that "no rational explanation was found for the specified events."

A little known fact in Canada, and even within the RCMP organization itself, is that they used to investigate UFO cases. The RCMP stopped officially investigating UFO reports in 1987. Retirement and loss of organizational knowledge have always been an issue plaguing the RCMP. Time has slowly erased their history of conducting UFO investigations. Fortunately, the RCMP has filed all of their records pertaining to UFOs with Library and Archives Canada under Record Group 18. Here, you will find UFO sightings from 1959 to 1987 inclusive. Through the Access to Information and Privacy Act, I was able to obtain a copy of these RCMP files.



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Nàhga or Bushman seen in 2016

While I was a young astute university student, I was summoned to a coffee shop by UFO investigator, Chris Styles. Like a scene playing out from my favorite television show *The X-Files*, I was told that the RCMP used to document UFO sightings and would forward them to Saint Mary's University professor and Reverend, Michael Walter Burke-Gaffney, for further investigation and analysis. These files were housed in the Saint Mary's University Archives, and because I was a student there, I would have access to view and copy the documents.

I attended the Saint Mary's University Library and requested to see the Burke-Gaffney files, particularly anything having to do with his UFO research. The university provided me with a folder containing 210 pages of RCMP reports, memorandums, handwritten notes, newspaper articles on UFOs from around the world, and letters written by citizens containing their UFO experiences. Some of the police file numbers end with an "X" for all intents and purposes, making these cases X-Files.

One of the more interesting cases I discovered within the files, was a close encounter of the second kind. An encounter of the second kind is when a UFO causes or leaves some sort of physical effect. On March 13, 1973, in Oromocto, New Brunswick a Ms. Marilyn Abbott was traveling alone on Waasis Road from Highway number 7 around 11:40 pm. She noticed an object appear in the clear night sky that was shaped like the moon and was the size of a vehicle. She described the object as being a bright non-fluorescent white with a halo around the exterior. There was no sound emanating from the object. When she noticed the object was coming closer to her, she increased her car speed to approximately 50 to 60 miles per hour. Once the object was completely overhead, Ms. Abbott's vehicle stalled out and would not re-start. Her headlights also turned off. She was driving a standard shift vehicle and was adamant she could not restart it. She jumped out of her car and ran to a nearby home for help.

After running approximately 50 yards, she turned back to look at her car and noticed that the object was gone. The car lights were also turned back on. Ms. Abbott went to a nearby residence and called her father. She was so distraught that she attended the Oromocto Hospital for a sedative.

The following day, RCMP Cpl. K. H. Latchford attended the scene and commenced his investigation. Nothing of interest was found at the scene where the incident occurred. Ms. Abbott's father provided a statement saying that he accompanied his daughter back to her vehicle where they found it empty and running with the headlights on.

Cpl. Latchford contacted the control tower at Fredericton Airport and was advised that they had scheduled flights to depart the airport at 11:00 pm and again at 12:20 am that evening. Cpl. Latchford also contacted the Canadian Forces Base in Gagetown (or CFB Gagetown) and was advised that there were no helicopters in the air after 11:00 pm that evening.



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Cpl. Latchford could not locate any other witnesses to the events and felt he had exhausted all of his investigative avenues. He even questioned Ms. Abbott on the possible use of drugs, however, she had never been involved in their usage. Cpl. Latchford went so far as to follow up with Oromocto Hospital who advised him that Ms. Abbott showed no effects of drug use. The UFO sighting remains unexplained.

Supernatural Encounters: True Paranormal Accounts from Law Enforcement contains over 50 true supernatural events witnessed by law enforcement, military, correctional, and security officers from around the world. Many of these extraordinary claims are being shared with readers for the first time. Previous readers have praised the book for containing true, well written, spine chilling tales from professional witnesses.

In the fall of 2021, More Supernatural Encounters from Law Enforcement will be released and will continue where Supernatural Encounters: True Paranormal Accounts from Law Enforcement left off. Newly reported ghost and UFO sightings will be explored. Readers will learn about spirit possession and the dangers of playing with the infamous Ouija board (also known as a spirit board or talking board). You will even be able to relive a near-death experience. If you have a fascination with the paranormal, this series is for you.



Full photo of Spirit leaving body by reported ABC 30



Photo at a fatal car crash shows spirit leaving the body reported by ABC 30

Bio on Mr. Elliott Van Dusen

Elliott Van Dusen has been obsessed with the paranormal since childhood. He is currently the Director of Paranormal Phenomena Research & Investigation, an organization dedicated to the collection, analysis, and distribution of all supernatural events in Canada. After 15 years with the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, 8 of those years spent investigating violent crimes, Van Dusen left to focus his full efforts on investigating paranormal mysteries. He has authored two books: *Evil in Exeter* based on a true story and field investigation involving the terrifying haunting of a Rhode Island family; and *Supernatural Encounters: True Paranormal Accounts from Law Enforcement*.

Because of his comprehensive knowledge and experience in the paranormal, he is called upon regularly by the media and has appeared on numerous television and radio programs including The Discovery Channel, CTV, Global, Bravo, CBC Radio, and been featured in national and regional newspapers such as The Globe and Mail, The Ottawa Citizen, The Chronicle Herald, and The Daily News.

Links to Elliott's book:

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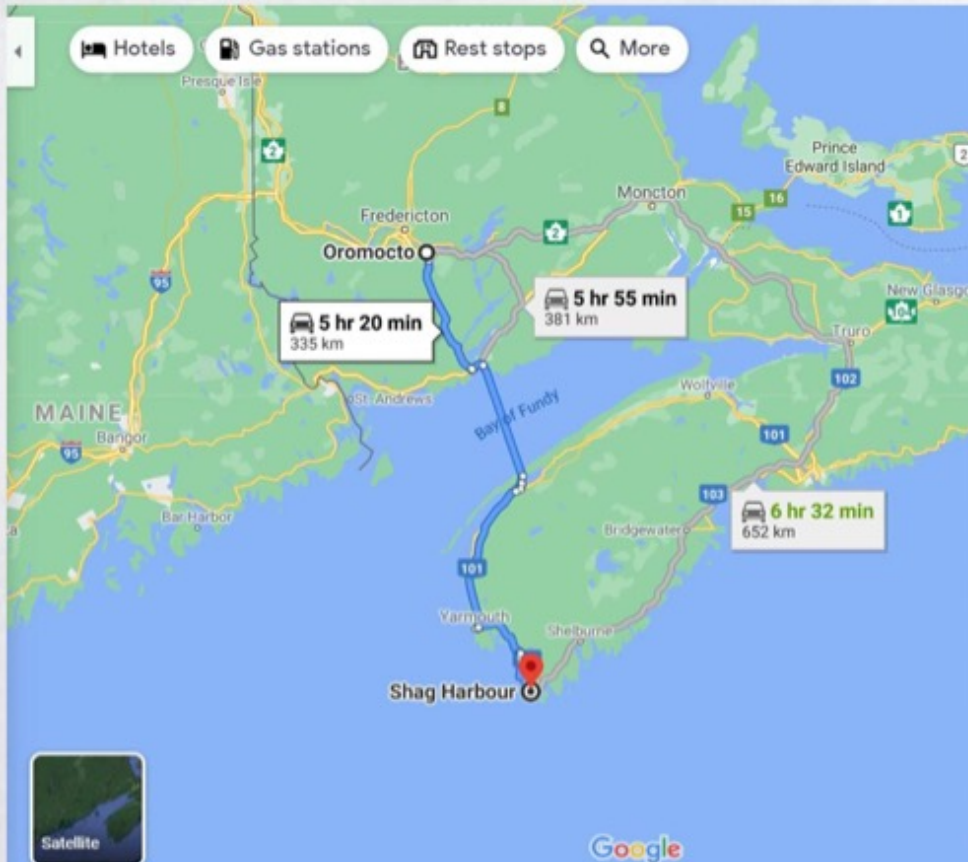
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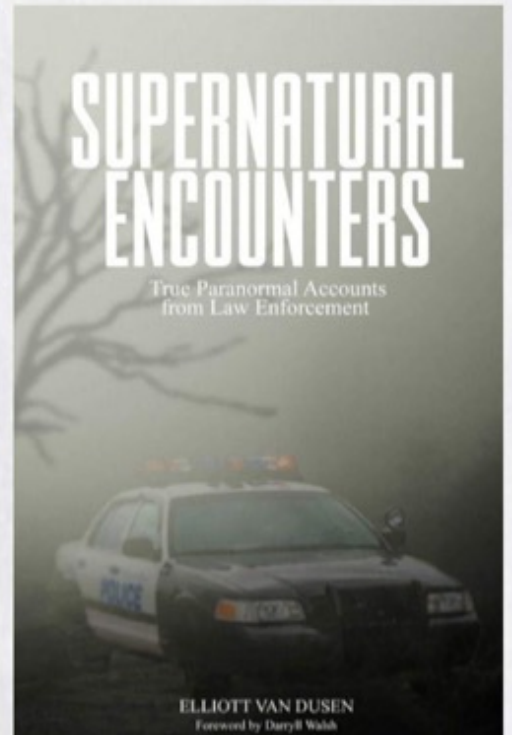
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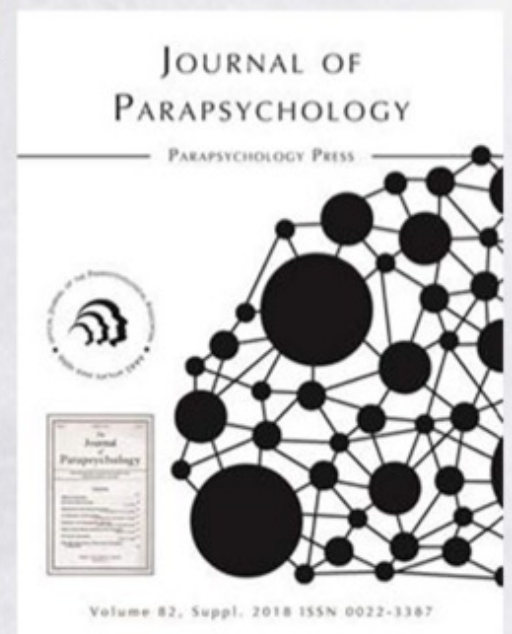
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Book released in August 2020



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