

“Yeah, I know. We’re having the book fingerprinted by the FBI,” the DA mentioned, wondering if he could have been wrong about the book’s connection to Joan.

Murphy shrugged and continued, “We also ran a check on all of the phone calls made from Joan’s dorm room. They all check out, nothing significant. Her sister Anne used the phone after Joan was reported missing, but we verified all of those calls. There were a lot of notes left tacked up outside Joan’s door over the weekend by her friends. So we’re certain she didn’t return to her room at Perkins Hall.”

The lawyer gestured in agreement. “I spoke to Anne. She said Joan wore gray shoes to see *The Pirates of Penzance* the night before she came back to Boston. Her shoes were packed in the suitcase with some pictures from a vacation in Nantucket. That jives with what Bond told me about Paradiso findin’ some photographs in Joan’s suitcase. Paradiso told Bond they were stuck inside a pair of gray shoes to keep from getting bent.”

“How the hell could Bond have known about the shoes and pictures if Paradiso didn’t tell him?”

“Yeah, we had everything in the Lark suitcase they found in the Greyhound storage facility in New York City dusted for fingerprints, but there were no prints on the photographs,” the lawyer said with a sense of frustration.