

**THE AUTHOR'S PATH WITH DICK LEHR**  
**WEDNESDAY, MAY 29<sup>TH</sup> AT 7:30PM**

**Refreshments and book signing**

**Dig deep into the mind of James J. “Whitey” Bulger, the crime boss and killer who brought the FBI to its knees.**



*Whitey* deconstructs Bulger’s insatiable hunger for power and control. Building on years of research, Lehr and O’Neill examine and reveal the factors and forces that created the man. It is a portrait that spans nearly a century, taking Whitey from the streets of his boyhood Southie in the 1940s to his cell in Alcatraz in the 1950s to his cunning, corrupt pact with the FBI in the 1970s, and, finally, to Santa Monica, California, where for fifteen years he was hiding in plain sight as one of the FBI’s Ten Most Wanted.

**First Church member DICK LEHR** is a professor of journalism at Boston University and a former reporter at the *Boston Globe*. He is the author of *The Fence: A Police Cover-up Along Boston’s Racial Divide*, and co-author of several other books, including the national bestseller and Edgar Award-winning *Black Mass: Whitey Bulger, the FBI, and a Devil’s Deal*.

## To The Reader,

The arrest of James J. “Whitey” Bulger in June 2011 gave us the opportunity to reunite to write Whitey’s life story – making Whitey the last in our trilogy about Whitey Bulger, the Boston Mafia, and the FBI.

*The Underboss*, the first book in the trilogy, reconstructed the 1981 FBI bugging of Boston Mafia boss Gennaro Angiulo in the city’s North End, an operation that crippled the Angiulo crime family.

Then came Whitey Bulger – who has long overshadowed the Mafia. Whitey’s harnessing of a corrupt FBI organized crime squad for nearly twenty years resulted in a reign of terror that we chronicled in *Black Mass*.

Now, in *Whitey*, we are able to place that unholy alliance into the context of his long life, from the streets of South Boston to the sunsets in Santa Monica, California. *Whitey* is a full accounting of the damage done as well as an excavation into the past to uncover the making of America’s most notorious mob boss.

Dick Lehr and Gerard O’Neill\_Boston, January 2013

