#### THE POWER OF A LIE



Following is an excerpt from NBC's Live with Dan Abrams.

It was aired on December 19, 2007.

It is one of many examples that show how the Italian authorities used brazen lies to discredit Amanda Knox in the eyes of the media and the public. **ABRAMS:** "More bad news for American college student Amanda Knox suspected of being involved in her roommate's murder in Italy. *Now, new indications that investigators are finding more discrepancies in Amanda's story.* 

"She told the chief investigating judge that she was reading a 'Harry Potter' book at her boyfriend's house the night of the murder. But alas, authorities have now found the book, not at her boyfriend's apartment, but at the cottage where she was living, but also where the crime took place."

This certainly sounds suspicious. Why would an innocent person lie about something like that?

# The program continues with Italian reporter Andrea Visconti and legal analyst Pam Bondi:

VISCONTI: "Bad news. Not only did they find the book, they found the book in German. How many people in Italy read Harry Potter in German? Now, Amanda apparently reads German. So she did say that she was reading the book in German and that very copy ended up in Meredith's apartment."

**ABRAMS:** "And she said, 'I was reading it at my boyfriend's house,' which has been her alibi up to now, right?"

VISCONTI: "She did. Exactly. So this is another lie or contradiction or whatever, so her situation is getting really difficult."

# Obviously, this looks very bad for Amanda. Bondi steps in to deliver the knock-out punch...

BONDI: "What they're doing, Dan, this is really about the credibility of her story. And Italian investigators are doing a great job. They're slowly chipping away at her story. They went back in the house just yesterday and that's how they found the book."

## A great job???

It's more like a railroad job.

Here is the book in question, *Harry Potter und der Stein der Weisen*. The picture is from police video.



This video was shot AT RAFFAELE'S APARTMENT on November 16, 2007. The book was found right where Amanda said she had been reading it.

### Somebody lied, alright...



#### ...but it wasn't Amanda.



(Pictured above is Giuliano Mignini, Perugian prosecutor and mastermind behind the case against Amanda and Raffaele.)