



Bob Bucaro – Creator of *The Good Son*

Hi, I'm **Bob Bucaro**. My story begins in Lodi, New Jersey, where I grew up in a large Italian family household. From the age of five, I was captivated by two things that would shape my life: **technology and music**.

Music was always playing in our home — from Sinatra and The Ink Spots to Elvis, The Beatles, and classic rock 'n' roll. My grandparents, Vito Sr. and Doris practically raised me and treated me like royalty as their first grandchild. My bond with them, and the influence of their world, would stay with me forever.

My grandfather Vito Sr. was a true entrepreneur. Before I was born, he built several successful businesses, including *Cozy Corner*, the first supermarket-style store in Lodi, and later a limousine company. He went on to establish *Vito's*, a Manhattan restaurant popular with police, judges, and government officials, as well as a chain of Italian delis across Bergen County. By the 1980s, he passed many of these ventures to my father, Vito Jr., who went on to open the Italian American Social Club in Lodi.

It was in that environment — in the back of my father's luncheonette, *Rocky's* — that I noticed the world around me wasn't exactly ordinary. What looked like men gathering for coffee and

pinochle was something much deeper. Those firsthand experiences, filtered through the eyes of a curious teenager, planted the seeds for **The Good Son**.

This project is drawn directly from my life. The foundations are true, with only light creative liberties taken to enhance the timeline and dramatization. While films like *A Bronx Tale*, *Goodfellas*, and *Donnie Brasco* share some familiar DNA, my story is unique. It bridges the old-world Mafia culture I witnessed growing up with today's cutting-edge realities: **artificial intelligence, cryptocurrency, robotics, and the digital age of crime**.

I call it **La Cosa Nostra 2.0** — a fresh, modern reimagining of organized crime unlike anything seen before.

Thank you for visiting, and for allowing me to introduce myself and this vision of the *new Mafia of today*.

– **Bob Bucaro**