**Series summary:** Reality-based police drama that set in the contemporary Fells Point Community of Baltimore, MD. Stu Gharty (Peter Gerety), a recurring detective character, is a Vietnam vet and Det. John Munch (Belzer) is a long-time anti-war activist.

**For God and country** with *Law & order* (2/7 and 2/9/1996)

**Credits:** director, Ed Sherin; writers, Michael S. Chernuchin, Jorge Zamacona.

**Cast:** Richard Belzer, Andre Braugher, Reed Diamond, Isanella Hoffman.

**Summary:** The Baltimore detectives (Braugher and Secor) attempt to learn more about the New York bomber’s white supremacist ties by interviewing his wife and son. They are unwilling or too scared to provide any information. When the bomber’s wife is murdered, however, his son provides the name of the man who instigated the attacks. He is an ex-Army colonel (and Vietnam vet) who was forced to retire for his part in the Iran-Contra conspiracy. He is finally apprehended, but dies of a heart attack as he is being taken to the train for New York.

**Saigon Rose** (11/21/1997)

**Credits:** director, Nick Gomez; writers, Eric Overmyer, Anya Epstein, David Simon.

**Cast:** Richard Belzer, Andre Braugher, Reed Diamond, Clark Johnson.

**Summary:** A Vietnamese American family is murdered in their restaurant by a black policewoman who moonlighted there as a security guard. The detectives must gain the trust of the victims’ children (who witnessed the killing from a hiding place) in order to solve the case.

**Wanted dead or alive** (11/13-11/20/1998)

**Credits:** director, Robert Harmon; writer, James Yoshimura.

**Cast:** Richard Belzer, Andre Braugher, Peter Gerety.

**Summary:** In part 1, Baltimore detectives Falsone (Seda) and Stivers (Lewis) investigate a shooting in which the suspects are bounty hunters, the squad’s arch-rivals. The detectives must join forces with the bounty hunters to find missing evidence and the fugitive bail-jumper. The chaos leads to a wild car chase which leaves one of the detectives badly injured and a civilian passerby dead. A subplot involves Munch (Belzer) who views Gharty (Gerety) as a lying coward after Gharty recounts his Vietnam days to the squad. In part 2, several of the detectives are sent to Miami where they cooperate with the bounty hunters to capture the fugitive.
