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August 25, 1977

BY LIAISON

Honorable Louis Stokes
Chairman
Select Committee on Assassinations
United States House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Chairman:

In accordance with a request received from you on July 26, 1977, an investigation has been conducted concerning Mr. Jeremy Ray Akers. Transmitted herewith are two copies of a summary memorandum containing the results of this investigation.

Sincerely yours,

Clarence M. Kelley
Director

Enclosures (2)

NOTE: Akers employed as staff counsel, Select Committee on Assassinations, United States House of Representatives, Washington, D. C., since October, 1976. Three arrests located for Akers on charges including possession of automobile while intoxicated, reckless driving, failure to stop for police officer, and driving while intoxicated. He paid fines twice, and most recent charge, which involved an accident, still pending. One traffic citation located for brother, William. Investigation otherwise favorable and complete.

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Jeremy Ray Akers

Information has been received from appropriate law enforcement agencies indicating their files contain no record concerning Mr. Akers or his close relatives, except the following:

Records of the Police Department, Vestavia Hills, Alabama, indicate Mr. Akers was arrested on August 1, 1970, on charges of possession of an automobile while intoxicated and disorderly conduct (intoxication), for which he paid a fine of \$132.

Records of the Police Department, Charlottesville, Virginia, indicate Mr. Akers was arrested on October 20, 1969, on charges of reckless driving and failure to stop for a police officer. He paid two fines of \$25 plus court costs of \$11.25.

Records of the Police Department, Memphis, Tennessee, indicate Mr. Akers was arrested on July 30, 1977, on charges of driving while intoxicated, failure to maintain control, and drunk. The records indicate further that Mr. Akers was involved in an accident when he drove into the rear of a vehicle being towed. Mr. Akers was accompanied by a Suzanne Norris, 855 North Yates, Memphis, Tennessee, who suffered bodily injuries, extent unknown. Mr. Akers suffered minor injuries. The records indicate Mr. Akers refused a drunkometer examination. On August 1, 1977, Mr. Akers' case was continued and is still pending.

Records of the Police Department, Florence, Alabama, indicate Mr. Akers' brother, William Thomas Akers, Jr., was cited on June 26, 1975, for a stop sign violation, for which he paid a fine of \$14.

Honorable Louis Stokes

The Federal Grand Jury, Southern District of [redacted] is currently hearing testimony concerning this criminal investigation. On October 20, 1977, Mr. S. Cass Weiland, trial attorney, Public Integrity Section, Department of Justice, Washington, D. C., advised he intends to invite Mr. Baetz, probably in the latter part of [redacted] to appear before the Federal Grand Jury and [redacted] of Mr. Baetz in the aforementioned matter.

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The foregoing information is being furnished to you by letter since, at this time, [redacted] Mr. Baetz and [redacted] if any, in the aforementioned investigation, is presently undetermined.

When additional information concerning any possible [redacted] of Mr. Baetz in the foregoing matter is received, you will be advised.

Sincerely yours,

Clarence M. Kelley
Director

Enclosures (2)

NOTE: Request received from Robert L. Keuch, Special Counsel to the Attorney General on October 6, 1977, for additional information.

1 - Mr. Monahan
1 - Mr. Hurst
1 - Mr. Peelman
1 - Mr. Daly
1 - Mr. Dente

September 16, 1977

BY LIAISON

Honorable Louis Stokes
Chairman
Select Committee on Assassinations
United States House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Chairman:

In accordance with a request received from you on August 18, 1977, an investigation has been conducted concerning Mr. Conrad Emmett Baetz. Transmitted herewith are two copies of a summary memorandum containing the results of this investigation.

Sincerely yours,

Clarence M. Kelley
Director

Enclosures (2)

NOTE: Mr. Baetz has been employed by the Madison County, Illinois, Sheriff's Office since July, 1970, initially as a deputy and eventually as a sergeant. Since August, 1977, he has served as an investigator for the Select Committee on Assassinations in the states of Illinois and Missouri. One associate would not recommend Mr. Baetz has a \$620 Wisconsin income tax lien outstanding. Investigation otherwise favorable and complete.

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Conrad Emmett Baetz

Military Service

Mr. Baetz enlisted in the United States Army and served on active duty from September 26, 1966, to June 25, 1970, when he was honorably released with the rank of specialist sixth grade. On June 26, 1970, he was transferred to the United States Army Reserve and served in an active reserve status until September 25, 1972, when he was honorably discharged as a specialist sixth grade. His service record is clear.

Employment

April, 1964, to
June, 1965

Manitowoc Engineering Company,
Manitowoc, Wisconsin, as a
printing press operator on a
full-time and part-time basis

April, 1966, to
August, 1966

Ace Foods, Incorporated,
Whitewater, Wisconsin, as a
food helper on a full-time and
part-time basis

July, 1970, to
August, 1977

Madison County Sheriff's Depart-
ment, Edwardsville, Illinois,
initially as a deputy and eventually
as a sergeant

August, 1977, to
the present

Select Committee on Assassinations,
United States House of Representa-
tives, Washington, D. C., as an
investigator in the States of
Illinois and Missouri

Marital Status

Mr. Baetz is married to the former Madilyn Stassi and they reside at 1280 Cedar Drive, Wood River, Illinois. Mr. Baetz has indicated his wife is a United States citizen.

Interviews

John Light, Assistant Chief, Alton, Illinois, Police Department, advised he has known Mr. Baetz for approximately six years on a professional basis. He stated

Conrad Emmett Baetz

Mr. Baetz is cooperative, congenial, and personable. He stated Mr. Baetz is an administrator and spokesman for the Madison County, Illinois, Sheriff's Department, and he is mainly involved in public relations. He stated, in his opinion, Mr. Baetz lacks investigative and law enforcement experience. He stated he had read in the local newspapers about Mr. Baetz's appointment as an investigator with the Select Committee on Assassinations, United States House of Representatives. He stated, however, that he would not recommend Mr. Baetz for a position as an investigator with the United States Government for the aforementioned reason.

William Magurany, Mayor, Wood River, Illinois, advised he has known Mr. Baetz for approximately five years. He described Mr. Baetz as dedicated, trustworthy, energetic, and capable. He stated he had appointed Mr. Baetz to the Board of Police and Fire Commissioners in June, 1976, due to his law enforcement experience and ability, and Mr. Baetz has performed well in this position. He stated Mr. Baetz's character, reputation, and loyalty are unquestioned, and he highly recommended him for a position of trust and responsibility with the United States Government.

Twenty-three additional persons, consisting of current and former supervisors and co-workers, present and former neighbors, references, associates, and social acquaintances of Mr. Baetz's, were interviewed and they advised he is a loyal American whose character, reputation, and associates are above reproach. He was described as intelligent, efficient, reliable, conscientious, discreet, and trustworthy. It was stated Mr. Baetz is an able administrator who is knowledgeable of investigative procedures. They highly recommended him for a position of trust and responsibility.

Close Relatives

Mr. Baetz's parents, Emerson and Catherine Baetz, are deceased. In addition to his wife, mentioned previously, Mr. Baetz has the following living close relatives:

Brother

**Andrew F. Baetz
Burnsville, Minnesota**

Conrad Emmett Baetz

Brother

Emerson P. Baetz
Two Rivers, Wisconsin

Brother

Thomas H. Baetz
Cedarburg, Wisconsin

Persons interviewed during this inquiry who are acquainted with Mr. Baetz's close relatives advised they are reputable individuals.

Based on the background information furnished by Mr. Baetz and on investigation, he has no known close relatives residing in Iron Curtain countries.

Credit and Arrest Checks

Information has been received from appropriate credit reporting agencies indicating their files contain either no record or no additional pertinent information concerning Mr. Baetz.

Information has been received from appropriate law enforcement agencies indicating their files contain no record concerning Mr. Baetz or his close relatives, except the following:

Records of the Manitowoc County, Wisconsin, Police Department reveal Mr. Baetz was cited on November 2, 1964, and September 14, 1966, for "speeding" and paid a \$50 fine on each of these charges.

Records of the Two Rivers, Wisconsin, Police Department reveal Mr. Baetz was cited on August 20, 1966, for "speeding" and on April 27, 1968, for "imprudent speed." He paid fines totaling \$30 on these charges.

Miscellaneous

The records of the Manitowoc, Wisconsin, County Court reveal on November 8, 1971, the State of Wisconsin filed a \$620 income tax lien against Mr. Baetz which is presently outstanding.

1 - Mr. Fehl
① - Mr. Peelman
1 - Mr. Daly
1 - Mr. Hurst
1 - Mr. Doohar

Foster

August 5, 1977

BY LIAISON

Honorable Louis Stokes
Chairman
Select Committee on Assassinations
United States House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Chairman:

In accordance with a request received from you on July 8, 1977, an investigation has been conducted concerning Miss Lisa Marjorie Berlow. Transmitted herewith are two copies of a summary memorandum containing the results of this investigation.

On a Standard Form 86, Security Investigation Data for Sensitive Position form executed by Miss Berlow on July 5, 1977, she indicated she has received psychiatric counselling for approximately one year while attending high school and again in 1976 for approximately six months. In the absence of a specific request from you and a signed waiver from Miss Berlow, no further inquiries are being conducted into this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Clarence M. Kelley
Director

Enclosures (2)

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NOTE: Berlow, a recent University of Wisconsin graduate, is a researcher for the House Select Committee on Assassinations. Investigation disclosed she lived with a boy friend for approximately five years and is currently residing with three male housemates in order to share expenses. She further indicated she received psychiatric counselling during high school and again during 1976. Investigation otherwise favorable and complete.

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Lisa Marjorie Berlow

Brother	Rustin Ralph Berlow Madison, Wisconsin
Brother	Samuel Milton Berlow Madison, Wisconsin
Sister	Rebecca Ann Berlow Madison, Wisconsin

Persons interviewed during this inquiry who are acquainted with Miss Berlow's close relatives advised they are reputable individuals.

Credit and Arrest Checks

Information has been received from appropriate credit reporting agencies indicating their files contain either no record or no additional pertinent information concerning Miss Berlow.

Information has been received from appropriate law enforcement agencies indicating their files contain no record concerning Miss Berlow or her close relatives.

Miscellaneous

On a Standard Form 86, Security Investigation Data for Sensitive Position form executed by Miss Berlow on July 5, 1977, she answered "yes" in response to the question "Have you ever had a nervous breakdown or have you ever had medical treatment for a mental condition?" and indicated: "During high school for approximately one year, I voluntarily and intermittently, sought psychiatric counselling. I do not recall the exact dates or the exact duration, if necessary I could try to furnish the dates. The reason for the sessions, which were once or twice a week was rather normal adolescent problems.

"In 1976, I again saw a psychiatrist, for approximately six months because I felt that I needed professional help in resolving a relationship I was in at the time. I attended these sessions once a week until September of 1976, when I decided to terminate them as I felt that they were no longer necessary."

Richard Newcombe Billings

Close Relatives

Mr. Billings' parents, Chester Billings and Caryle Pressinger Billings Hay, are deceased. In addition to his daughters, mentioned previously, Mr. Billings has no other living close relatives.

Persons interviewed during this inquiry who are acquainted with Mr. Billings' daughters advised they are reputable individuals.

Based on the background information furnished by Mr. Billings and on investigation, he has no known close relatives residing in Iron Curtain countries.

Credit and Arrest Checks

Information has been received from appropriate credit reporting agencies indicating their files contain either no record or no additional pertinent information concerning Mr. Billings.

Mr. Billings has indicated that in July, 1971, he was charged with "reckless driving" by the Metropolitan Police Department, Washington, D. C., for which he paid a fine in excess of \$100.

Information has been received from appropriate law enforcement agencies, including the Metropolitan Police Department, Washington, D. C., indicating their files contain no record concerning Mr. Billings or his close relatives, except the following:

Records of the Department of Motor Vehicles, District of Columbia Government, Washington, D. C., indicate the following traffic record for Mr. Billings:

<u>DATE</u>	<u>CHARGE</u>	<u>DISPOSITION</u>
October 2, 1969	Unreasonable speed	Convicted

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<u>DATE</u>	<u>CHARGE</u>	<u>DISPOSITION</u>
October 2, 1969	No lights running	Convicted
July 6, 1971	Reckless driving	Convicted
July 6, 1971	Driving under the influence	Not convicted
July 6, 1971	Flashing red light	Not convicted
June 20, 1972	Failure to report accident	Convicted
September 25, 1972	License revoked pending driving improvement	License restored May 24, 1973
February 28, 1974	Speeding	Not convicted

Security Clearance

Mr. Billings was granted a secret clearance by the United States Army on February 2, 1953. This clearance is no longer active.

Agency Checks

Information has been received from the following governmental agencies indicating their files contain either no record or no additional pertinent information concerning Mr. Billings:

Bureau of Personnel Investigations, Civil Service Commission; Central Intelligence Agency; and the Defense Central Index of Investigations.

The central files of the FBI, including the files of the Identification Division, contain no additional pertinent information concerning Mr. Billings.

Colleen Therese Boland

Information has been received from appropriate law enforcement agencies indicating their files contain no record concerning Miss Boland or her close relatives, except the following:

On a Security Investigation Data for Sensitive Position form completed by Miss Boland on January 24, 1977, she indicated she was arrested in 1968 by the Saint Louis, Missouri, Police Department. She explained "I was at a Maryville College mixer and everyone present (approximately 200 people) were placed under arrest. The charge was drinking under age. Apparently, the governor admonished the police department. I have no idea if the files were destroyed."

Records of the Saint Louis, Missouri, Police Department fail to contain any information regarding the aforementioned matter.

Agency Checks

Information has been received from the following governmental agencies indicating their files contain either no record or no additional pertinent information concerning Miss Boland:

Bureau of Personnel Investigations, Civil Service Commission; Central Intelligence Agency; and the Defense Central Index of Investigations.

The central files of the FBI, including the files of the Identification Division, contain no additional pertinent information concerning Miss Boland.

Surell Diane Brady

Father	George Baker Brady, Sr. Pacoima, California
Brother	George Baker Brady, Jr. Van Nuys, California

Persons interviewed during this inquiry who are acquainted with Miss Brady's close relatives advised they are reputable individuals.

Based on the background information furnished by Miss Brady and on investigation, she has no known close relatives residing in Iron Curtain countries.

Credit and Arrest Checks

Information has been received from appropriate credit reporting agencies indicating their files contain either no record or no additional pertinent information concerning Miss Brady.

Information has been received from appropriate law enforcement agencies indicating their files contain no record concerning Miss Brady or her close relatives, except the following:

Records of the Los Angeles, California, Police Department indicate Miss Brady's father, George Baker Brady, Sr., was arrested on August 3, 1954, after he failed to appear for a traffic violation. The records indicate he paid a fine of \$35 for the unspecified traffic violation.

These records also indicate Miss Brady's brother, George Baker Brady, Jr., was arrested on November 7, 1968, and charged with conspiracy to defraud any person of

Surell Diane Brady

property; kidnapping; burglary; false imprisonment; assault with a deadly weapon; and robbery. On January 17, 1969, all charges were dismissed. The arresting officer's report indicates Mr. Brady one of a group of students at Los Angeles Valley College, Los Angeles, California, who were involved in a "sit in" wherein this group took over several floors of the college's administration building and held the acting dean against his will for a number of hours.

Agency Checks

The Bureau of Personnel Investigations, Civil Service Commission, has advised its files contain no record concerning Miss Brady.

The Central Intelligence Agency has advised its files contain no pertinent identifiable information concerning Miss Brady.

The central files of the FBI, including the files of the Identification Division, contain no additional pertinent information concerning Miss Brady.

Yvonne Whitfield Briggs

Credit and Arrest Checks

Information has been received from appropriate credit reporting agencies indicating their files contain either no record or no additional pertinent information concerning Mrs. Briggs.

Information has been received from appropriate law enforcement agencies indicating their files contain no record concerning Mrs. Briggs or her close relatives, except the following:

Records of the Identification Division, FBI, contain an Identification record concerning Mrs. Briggs' former husband, Kester Dewitt Briggs, Sr., which indicates arrests from 1964 to 1975. A copy of this record is attached.

Agency Checks

Information has been received from the following governmental agencies indicating their files contain either no record or no additional pertinent information concerning Mrs. Briggs:

Bureau of Personnel Investigations, Civil Service Commission; Central Intelligence Agency; Department of Health, Education, and Welfare; Commodity Futures Trading Commission; National Credit Union Administration; Department of the Interior; and the Smithsonian Institution.

The central files of the FBI, including the files of the Identification Division, contain no additional pertinent information concerning Mrs. Briggs.

Enclosure

Robert Charles Buras, Jr.

Close Relatives

In addition to his wife and daughter, mentioned previously, Mr. Buras has the following close relatives:

Father	Robert C. Buras Chalmette, Louisiana
Mother	Catherine Buras Arabi, Louisiana

Persons interviewed during this inquiry who are acquainted with Mr. Buras' close relatives advised they are reputable individuals.

Based on the background information furnished by Mr. Buras and on investigation, he has no known close relatives residing in Iron Curtain countries.

Credit and Arrest Checks

Information has been received from appropriate credit reporting agencies indicating their files contain either no record or no additional pertinent information concerning Mr. Buras.

Information has been received from appropriate law enforcement agencies indicating their files contain no record concerning Mr. Buras or his close relatives, except the following:

Mr. Buras has indicated he was arrested by the New Orleans, Louisiana, Police Department in 1956 and charged with "fighting," for which he was sentenced to thirty days in jail, which was suspended. He also indicated he was charged with "disturbing the peace," which charge was dismissed.

The records of the New Orleans, Louisiana, Police Department reveal Mr. Buras was arrested on October 22, 1956, and charged with "vagrancy," which charge was dismissed on October 23, 1956.

Honorable Louis Stokes

NOTE: Chenoweth is currently a staff investigator with the Select Committee on Assassinations, United States House of Representatives, Washington, D. C. His son has been issued two traffic citations and paid fines totaling \$35. His daughter was issued one traffic citation and paid a \$10 fine. She was also arrested for "driving under the influence of alcohol." Investigation otherwise favorable and complete.

James Harvey Chenoweth

The files of the MVA, Glen Burnie, Maryland, reveal Mr. Chenoweth's daughter, Pamela Chenoweth, received a citation for "speeding" on May 9, 1973, for which she paid a fine of \$10. These files also reveal she was arrested in the District of Columbia on April 23, 1976, and charged with "driving while under the influence of alcohol." She subsequently was required by the MVA of Maryland to attend a driver's clinic. No additional information regarding this charge is recorded.

Security Clearances

Mr. Chenoweth was granted a secret clearance on November 7, 1972, and a top secret clearance on July 13, 1973, by the Department of the Treasury in connection with his employment. These clearances were terminated on July 31, 1975.

Agency Checks

Information has been received from the following governmental agencies indicating their files contain either no record or no additional pertinent information concerning Mr. Chenoweth:

Bureau of Personnel Investigations, Civil Service Commission; Central Intelligence Agency; Defense Central Index of Investigations; Office of Security, Department of Justice; and the Office of Security, Department of the Treasury.

The central files of the FBI, including the files of the Identification Division, contain no additional pertinent information concerning Mr. Chenoweth.

- 1 - Mr. Hursy
- ① - Mr. Peelman
- 1 - Mr. Hotis
- 1 - Mr. Smith

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January 27, 1978

BY LIAISON

Honorable Louis Stokes
Chairman
Select Committee on Assassinations
United States House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Chairman:

In accordance with a request received from you on December 30, 1977, an investigation has been conducted concerning Miss Wendy Susan Collins. Transmitted herewith are two copies of a summary memorandum containing the results of this investigation.

Sincerely yours,

Clarence M. Kelley
Director

Enclosures (2)

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NOTE: Miss Collins is currently a research attorney for the House Select Committee on Assassinations. Investigation complete and favorable with the exception of one former employer who would not recommend her, indicating she was abrasive and immature.

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Wendy Susan Collins

Employment

During summer vacation periods while attending high school and college, Miss Collins was either vacationing or variously employed as a waitress, laborer, intern student, and law clerk in Fitchburg, Westminister, and Boston, Massachusetts. Some of these employments were verified while others were not, due to records being unavailable.

January, 1977, to
August, 1977

Law firm of Warner and
Stackpole, Boston, Massachusetts,
as a law clerk

December, 1977, to
the present

Select Committee on Assassinations,
United States House of Representa-
tives, Washington, D. C., as a
research attorney

Marital Status

Miss Collins is divorced and resides at 4515 Gladwyne Drive, Bethesda, Maryland.

Records of the Middlesex Superior Court, Cambridge, Massachusetts, indicate that on March 11, 1977, a complaint for divorce was filed by Wendy S. Collins, plaintiff, against David F. Hingston, defendant, on the grounds of cruel and abusive treatment. The divorce was granted on August 8, 1977.

David F. Hingston, Miss Collins' former husband, advised in Woburn, Massachusetts, that he was divorced by Miss Collins on the grounds of mental cruelty. Mr. Hingston stated that Miss Collins is of good moral character and is temperate in her consumption of alcoholic drinks. He advised, however, that Miss Collins had confided in him that after the divorce she became depressed and had been drinking "somewhat excessively." He stated he was never a witness to this and has no additional information relative to this matter. Mr. Hingston stated that the only derogatory thing he might say about Miss Collins is that she had informed him that she was going to divorce him because he was

Wendy Susan Collins

"dull and boring." He stated thereafter she continually brought injunctions against him relative to a dog and appliances they had during their marriage. He advised he had hired attorneys to represent him, but continued court appearances became excessive for him as his job was in jeopardy because of his absences from work to attend court hearings. Therefore, according to Mr. Hingston, he did not contest the divorce. Mr. Hingston stated that on the day of the divorce, he was dismissed from the courtroom on the advice of his own attorney. He stated he was later informed that Miss Collins made allegations that he had beaten her in the past. He stated that this was not true and had he known that these allegations were to be the grounds for divorce, he would have contested the divorce.

Mr. Hingston stated that Miss Collins is a bright and industrious individual who is a loyal American citizen and he knows of nothing further of a derogatory nature concerning her. He recommended her for a position of trust and responsibility with the United States Government.

Interviews

Willard G. McGraw, Jr., Attorney, law firm of Warner and Stackpole, Boston, Massachusetts, advised that he handles the hiring and firing of professional people for the firm. He stated in that capacity, he came into contact with Miss Collins. He advised that from his contact with attorneys in the firm, he was able to determine that Miss Collins' work was quite satisfactory. Mr. McGraw stated that Miss Collins appeared to be a bright young woman and during the time she was employed with them, she was also going through a divorce. Mr. McGraw advised that he thought this divorce, in his opinion, affected the personality of Miss Collins as there were times when she was quite abrasive and "rubbed people the wrong way." He stated that at that time it was a cause of some concern to him as to how Miss Collins would fit in with the firm because of this character defect. He advised that while she was employed with them he felt, in his opinion, she needed more maturity.

Wendy Susan Collins

Mr. McGraw concluded by stating he has no reason not to recommend Miss Collins for a position of trust with the United States Government but feels that he cannot do so.

Lawrence Alexander, Attorney, law firm of Warner and Stackpole, Boston, Massachusetts, advised that he knew Miss Collins quite well during her tenure with this firm. Mr. Alexander stated that Miss Collins was friendly, bright, and talented, and that she got along well with all her fellow employees and the other attorneys in the law firm. He stated he knows nothing derogatory concerning her and he would recommend her for a position of trust and responsibility with the United States Government.

Twenty-seven additional persons, consisting of current and former supervisors and co-workers, former neighbors, references, professional associates, and social acquaintances of Miss Collins', were interviewed and they advised she is a loyal American whose character, reputation, and associates are above reproach. She was described as bright, talented, conscientious, ambitious, industrious, and able. It was stated that Miss Collins is a very stable, trustworthy, and sober individual. Several individuals commented that Miss Collins is easy to get along with and works well with others. They highly recommended her for a position of trust and responsibility.

Close Relatives

Miss Collins has the following close relatives:

Father	Fredrick A. Collins, Jr. Fitchburg, Massachusetts
Mother	Ruth Eileen Collins Fitchburg, Massachusetts
Brother	Michael Lee Collins Leominster, Massachusetts
Brother	William Brent Collins Shirley, Massachusetts

Eileen Gail Copeland

Interviews

An individual who has requested confidentiality and is employed in a responsible position by the Board of Education, Enid, Oklahoma, advised she was acquainted with Mrs. Copeland on a professional basis during the period Mrs. Copeland was employed as a teacher in Enid, Oklahoma. She said she served in a supervisory capacity to Mrs. Copeland during this period. She described Mrs. Copeland as a good teacher who did an excellent job in the classroom and noted no complaints were ever received from the parents of any of Mrs. Copeland's students while she was a teacher. She said that although she considers Mrs. Copeland to be a good teacher, she considered Mrs. Copeland to have "an air of arrogance" when Mrs. Copeland was dealing with other teachers. She said it was her opinion Mrs. Copeland acted like "Mrs. know-it-all" at teachers' meetings even though Mrs. Copeland was a new teacher. She said she could provide no further examples to support her opinion of Mrs. Copeland's attitude.

This individual noted that on one occasion while Mrs. Copeland was employed as a teacher, Mrs. Copeland's husband was scheduled to enlist in the Armed Forces in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, on a particular date. She said that on that date, Mrs. Copeland telephonically contacted her for sick leave. She said that although Mrs. Copeland had not abused her sick leave, she did not believe Mrs. Copeland was sick and she later telephoned Mrs. Copeland's home to verify Mrs. Copeland was indeed at home. She said there was no answer at Mrs. Copeland's home and she later challenged Mrs. Copeland concerning her use of sick leave. She said Mrs. Copeland told her she was too sick to come to work; however, she was not too sick to read a book and ride to Oklahoma City with her husband. This individual said she reported this matter to the Board of Education and Mrs. Copeland was removed from sick leave on that date. She said she is not aware of any other information which would reflect on Mrs. Copeland's character, associates, reputation, or loyalty. She said she would recommend Mrs. Copeland for a position of trust and responsibility.

HSC - personnel

1 - Mr. Fehl
1 - Mr. Hurst
1 - Mr. Peelman
1 - Mr. Daly
1 - Mr. Flanagan

July 18, 1977

BY LIAISON

John Foster

Honorable Louis Stokes
Chairman
Select Committee on Assassinations
United States House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Chairman:

In accordance with a request received from you on June 16, 1977, an investigation has been conducted concerning Mrs. Eileen Gail Copeland. Transmitted herewith are two copies of a summary memorandum containing the results of this investigation.

Sincerely yours,

Clarence M. Kelley
Director

Enclosures (2)

NOTE: Mrs. Copeland is employed as a secretary by the Select Committee on Assassinations, United States House of Representatives, Washington, D. C. Investigation complete and favorable except for one former supervisor who said she considers Mrs. Copeland to have an air of arrogance during the period she was acquainted with her and noted that on one occasion Mrs. Copeland abused her sick leave privilege.

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- 1 - Mr. Monahan
- 1 - Mr. Hurst
- ① - Mr. Peelman
- 1 - Mr. Daly
- 1 - Mr. Spangler
- 1 - Mr. Dente

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October 13, 1977

BY LIAISON

Honorable Louis Stokes
Chairman
Select Committee on Assassinations
United States House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Chairman:

In accordance with a request received from you on September 14, 1977, an investigation has been conducted concerning Mr. Jerome Alto Cullings. Transmitted herewith are two copies of a summary memorandum containing the results of this investigation.

When a check of the court records in Baltimore, Maryland, concerning Mr. Cullings' father, Alto C. Cullings, has been completed, you will be advised.

Sincerely yours,

Clarence M. Kelley
Director

Enclosures (2)

NOTE: Since September, 1977, Mr. Cullings has been an investigator for the Select Committee on Assassinations, United States House of Representatives. His father was arrested by Baltimore City Police Department in September, 1960, and December, 1976, and charged with "larceny," and a "handgun violation," respectively. Mr. Cullings' father and a brother have numerous traffic citations. Investigation otherwise favorable, with a check of court records concerning Mr. Cullings' father outstanding.

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Jerome Alto Cullings

Close Relatives

Mr. Cullings' mother, Anna M. Cullings, is deceased. In addition to his wife and children, mentioned previously, Mr. Cullings has the following living close relatives who all reside in Baltimore, Maryland:

Father	Alto C. Cullings
Brother	John F. Cullings
Brother	Kenneth E. Cullings
Brother	Eric A. Cullings
Sister	Patricia Cullings Wilkens

Persons interviewed during this inquiry who are acquainted with Mr. Cullings' close relatives advised they are reputable individuals.

Based on the background information furnished by Mr. Cullings and on investigation, he has no known close relatives residing in Iron Curtain countries.

Credit and Arrest Checks

Information has been received from appropriate credit reporting agencies indicating their files contain either no record or no additional pertinent information concerning Mr. Cullings, except the following:

The records of the University National Bank, Rockville, Maryland, reveal Mr. Cullings obtained a loan on July 27, 1976, in the amount of \$17,271.60, for the purpose of installing a swimming pool. These records indicated eleven payments of \$143.93, per payment, were made on the aforementioned loan. These records further indicated sixteen late payment notices were sent to Mr. Cullings in connection with this loan and late charges totalling \$47.20 are outstanding for delinquent payments. A balance of \$15,688.37 remains outstanding on this loan. No additional information is available concerning the aforementioned loan.

Jerome Alto Cullings

Information has been received from appropriate law enforcement agencies indicating their files contain no record concerning Mr. Cullings or his close relatives, except the following:

The records of the Baltimore City Police Department, Baltimore, Maryland, reveal Mr. Cullings' father, Alto C. Cullings, was arrested on September 14, 1960, and charged with "larceny." On September 15, 1960, he paid a fine and court costs totalling \$51.45 for this charge.

These records also reveal on October 27, 1976, two females, who were not further identified, were arrested while driving a 1976 Mercury bearing Maryland license 593AEH, and charged with "possession of heroin," and "a handgun violation." In December, 1976, the exact date was not indicated, Mr. Cullings' father, Alto C. Cullings, the registered owner of the aforementioned vehicle, turned himself in to the Baltimore City Police Department and admitted possession of the handgun, which was connected with the aforementioned arrest of the two females. He was charged with "a handgun violation," which charge was stet processus. No additional information is available concerning this incident.

The records of the Motor Vehicle Administration, Baltimore, Maryland, reveal Mr. Cullings' father, Alto C. Cullings, was cited during the period from January, 1965, to February, 1977, for "failure to use reasonable care," "improper passing," "no registration card in his possession," "improper turn," "failure to obey a traffic device," and on four occasions, for "speeding." He paid fines totalling \$180 for these charges.

Mr. Cullings' brother, Kenneth E. Cullings, was cited during the period from November, 1967, to December, 1976, for "negligent driving," "stop sign violation," and "speeding," on five occasions. He paid fines totalling \$93 for these charges.

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NOTE: Day recently employed as investigator, Select Committee on Assassinations, United States House of Representatives, Washington, D. C. Employed 1954 to 1977, as police officer with Metropolitan Police Department, Washington, D. C. Day has one credit account in collection status. One assault charge, which was dismissed, located for Day. Four arrests located for son, Lawrence, on charges including murder, robbery while armed, and assault with a deadly weapon (gun). Two cases still pending and \$25,000 surety bond set. Son, Lawrence, currently incarcerated D. C. jail. Investigation otherwise favorable and complete.

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Clarence Joseph Day

Close Relatives

Mr. Day's parents, Robert W. and Victorine Day, and brother, Robert W. Day, Jr., are deceased. In addition to his wife and children, mentioned previously, Mr. Day has the following living close relatives:

Son	Lawrence Thomas Day Washington, D. C.
Daughter	Francine Victor Matthews Laurel, Maryland
Brother	Lawrence Dumbar Day Alexandria, Virginia
Brother	Quentin French Day Washington, D. C.
Brother	Fredinand Taylor Day Alexandria, Virginia
Brother	George William Day Silver Spring, Maryland
Sister	Mary Victorine Stokes Alexandria, Virginia

Persons interviewed during this inquiry who are acquainted with Mr. Day's close relatives advised they are reputable individuals.

Credit and Arrest Checks

Information has been received from appropriate credit reporting agencies indicating their files contain either no record or no additional pertinent information concerning Mr. Day, except the following:

Records of the Credit Bureau, Incorporated, Washington, D. C., indicate Mr. Day has a delinquent credit account with the Hecht Company, Incorporated, Washington, D. C.

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A representative of the Hecht Company, Incorporated, Washington, D. C., advised Mr. Day's account was opened in 1968, and his high credit amount was \$656. He said Mr. Day has failed to make payments for the past four months and is delinquent in the amount of \$166. He further stated the account's balance as of June, 1977, is \$455.25, and the account is currently in collection status.

Information has been received from appropriate law enforcement agencies indicating their files contain no record concerning Mr. Day or his close relatives, except the following:

Records of the Metropolitan Police Department, Washington, D. C., indicate Mr. Day was suspended without pay on June 23, 1954, when his wife filed a complaint charging him with assault. The charges were dismissed, and Mr. Day was reinstated. No further action was taken.

These records also indicate Mr. Day's son, Lawrence Thomas Day, was arrested on July 16, 1975, on a charge of fugitive from justice. No additional information is contained in the records concerning this arrest. These records indicate further that Mr. Day's son was arrested on September 21, 1976, on charges of assault with intent to kill and assault with intent while armed. On September 22, 1976, these charges were no papered and nolle prosequi, respectively. He was also arrested on November 4, 1976, on charges including burglary, robbery while armed, and assault with a deadly weapon (knife). These charges are still pending. He was arrested again on December 17, 1976, on charges including murder, robbery while armed, and assault with a deadly weapon (gun). These charges are still pending. A \$25,000 surety bond has been set for the December 17,

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1976, charges, and Lawrence Thomas Day is currently incarcerated in the District of Columbia jail, Washington, D. C.

Agency Checks

Information has been received from the following governmental agencies indicating their files contain either no record or no additional pertinent information concerning Mr. Day:

Bureau of Personnel Investigations, Civil Service Commission; Defense Central Index of Investigations; Office of Security, Interstate Commerce Commission; and the Office of Personnel Security, United States Postal Service.

The central files of the FBI, including the files of the Identification Division, contain no additional pertinent information concerning Mr. Day.

1 - Mr. Monahan
1 - Mr. Hurst
① - Mr. Peelman
1 - Mr. Daly
1 - Mr. Dente

September 30, 1977

BY LIAISON

Honorable Louis Stokes
Chairman
Select Committee on Assassinations
United States House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Chairman:

In accordance with a request received from you on September 1, 1977, an investigation has been conducted concerning Mr. Lawrence Joseph Delsa, Jr. Transmitted herewith are two copies of a summary memorandum containing the results of this investigation.

Sincerely yours,

Clarence M. Kelley
Director

Enclosures (2)

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NOTE: Mr. Delsa has been employed by the New Orleans, Louisiana, Police Department since August, 1964, initially as a patrolman and eventually as a detective. Since August, 1977, he has served as an investigator for the Select Committee on Assassinations. Mr. Delsa and other members of the New Orleans Police Department were subjects of six Civil Rights investigations by the Bureau. These matters were presented to the United States Attorney, who advised they lacked prosecutive merit. He received a forty-five day suspension in September, 1970, for drinking on duty. Investigation otherwise favorable and complete.

31-10180

Lawrence Joseph Delsa, Jr.

Close Relatives

Mr. Delsa's father, Lawrence J. Delsa, Sr., is deceased. In addition to his wife and children, mentioned previously, Mr. Delsa has the following living close relatives:

Mother	Jennie Daley Delsa New Orleans, Louisiana
Sister	Dorothy Delsa Barkmeyer New Orleans, Louisiana
Sister	Janet Delsa Wood Santa Ana, California

Persons interviewed during this inquiry who are acquainted with Mr. Delsa's close relatives advised they are reputable individuals.

Based on the background information furnished by Mr. Delsa and on investigation, he has no known close relatives residing in Iron Curtain countries.

Credit and Arrest Checks

Information has been received from appropriate credit reporting agencies indicating their files contain either no record or no additional pertinent information concerning Mr. Delsa.

Information has been received from appropriate law enforcement agencies indicating their files contain no record concerning Mr. Delsa or his close relatives.

Miscellaneous

The records of the FBI indicate that from December, 1970, to June, 1976, Mr. Delsa and other members of the New Orleans, Police Department were the subjects of six Civil Rights investigations by the FBI involving allegations of police brutality. Five of these investigations concerned

Lawrence Joseph Delsa, Jr.

allegations that the victims were mistreated at the time of their arrests or while being interviewed. The other investigation concerned an allegation that Mr. Delsa and two other white police officers stopped their vehicle for no apparent reason and physically beat two of the three Negroes riding in the vehicle.

The results of the investigations conducted in the aforementioned matters were subsequently presented to the Office of the United States Attorney, Eastern District of Louisiana, New Orleans, Louisiana, for the views of that office as to the merits of these cases. In all of these cases, the United States Attorney's Office advised they lacked prosecutive merit and no further investigation was warranted.

The records of the New Orleans, Louisiana, Police Department reveal Mr. Delsa was disciplined on September 27, 1970, by this department, for "drinking on duty" and was suspended for forty-five days for this incident.

Agency Checks

Information has been received from the Bureau of Personnel Investigations, Civil Service Commission, and the Defense Central Index of Investigations indicating their files contain no record concerning Mr. Delsa.

The central files of the FBI, including the files of the Identification Division, contain no additional pertinent information concerning Mr. Delsa.

1 - Mr. Monahan
1 - Mr. Hurst
① - Mr. Peelman
1 - Mr. Daly
1 - Mr. Spangler
1 - Mr. Smith

September 27, 1977

BY LIAISON

Foster

Honorable Louis Stokes
Chairman
Select Committee on Assassinations
United States House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Chairman:

In accordance with a request received from you on August 24, 1977, an investigation has been conducted concerning Miss Marjorie Ann Eagle. Transmitted herewith are two copies of a summary memorandum containing the results of this investigation.

An applicant-type investigation was conducted concerning Miss Eagle in 1948. The results of that investigation as well as the results of the current investigation are included in the enclosed summary memorandum.

The Department of State has advised that a check of its files concerning Miss Eagle has not been completed. When the results of this check and additional interviews have been received, you will be advised.

Sincerely yours,

Clarence M. Kelley
Director

Enclosures (2)

Note: Miss Eagle is currently a secretary for the House Select Committee on Assassinations. Investigation generally favorable except one former supervisor stated she had excessive absences. One agency check and interviews outstanding.

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Marjorie Ann Eagle

September, 1963, to
December, 1963

Miss Eagle has indicated that she was unemployed upon her return to the United States, due to an allergy and resided in Alexandria, Virginia.

January, 1964, to
September, 1966

Potomac Temporaries, Incorporated, Arlington, Virginia, as a secretary on a part-time basis. Records concerning this employment are not available and it was not verified.

October, 1966, to
May, 1972

Self-employed, Alexandria, Virginia, operating her own secretarial service specializing in mass mailings

May, 1972, to
July, 1972

United Way of America, Alexandria, Virginia, as an administrative assistant

August, 1972, to
September, 1972

Miss Eagle has indicated she was unemployed and residing in Alexandria, Virginia

October, 1972, to
September, 1975

Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, Washington, D. C., as a secretary

October, 1975, to
December, 1976

Select Committee on Aging, United States House of Representatives, Washington, D. C., as a secretary

An individual who has requested confidentiality and who was in a position to observe Miss Eagle on a professional basis while she was employed with the Select Committee on Aging advised there was an excessive number

• Marjorie Ann Eagle

of absences in which Miss Eagle told him she "just did not want to come to work" and apparently was not really sick. This individual stated Miss Eagle's work was good, but since there were few deadlines that Miss Eagle had to meet with the Select Committee on Aging, it was difficult to determine what production level she was capable of producing. This individual described her as being a loyal American whose character, reputation and associates are good. This individual would recommend Miss Eagle for a position with the United States Government if the prospective supervisor was aware of this situation, but this individual himself would not hire her.

December, 1976, to
May, 1977

Miss Eagle has advised that during this time period she was unemployed and residing in Alexandria, Virginia.

June, 1977, to
the present

Select Committee on Assassinations, United States House of Representatives, Washington, D. C., as a secretary

Marital Status

Miss Eagle is unmarried and resides at 301 North Beauregard Street, Alexandria, Virginia.

Interviews

During the 1948 investigation concerning Miss Eagle, an individual who requested confidentiality and who said he worked with Miss Eagle at the Department of State, Paris, France, stated that her moral reputation there was not good and that she had had an affair, followed by a pregnancy and abortion. This individual would not be more specific but indicated that this one affair was not the sole instance which caused him to state that her reputation was poor. This individual stated Miss Eagle was very abrupt and often discourteous and lacked the mechanical skills of her grade. This individual classed her as a mediocre employee.

Honorable Louis Stokes

NOTE: Eccles recently employed as investigator, Select Committee on Assassinations, United States House of Representatives, Washington, D. C. Two arrests located for sister, Amanda Wharton, and one arrest located for sister, Bobed Murray. One traffic citation each located for brothers, Dallas and Willie. Investigation otherwise favorable. One agency check outstanding.

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Franklin Leroy Eccles

Brother	George Edward Eccles Norfolk, Virginia
Sister	Martha Savannah Mock Winston-Salem, North Carolina
Brother	Willie Smith Eccles Winston-Salem, North Carolina
Brother	Willis Wharton Eccles Winston-Salem, North Carolina
Brother	Dallas Cranwood Eccles Clemmons, North Carolina
Sister	Bobed Murray Winston-Salem, North Carolina
Brother	David Lybrooks Eccles Columbia, Maryland

Persons interviewed during this inquiry who are acquainted with Mr. Eccles' close relatives advised they are reputable individuals.

Credit and Arrest Checks

Information has been received from appropriate credit reporting agencies indicating their files contain either no record or no additional pertinent information concerning Mr. Eccles.

Information has been received from appropriate law enforcement agencies indicating their files contain no record concerning Mr. Eccles or his close relatives, except the following:

Records of the Police Department, Winston-Salem, North Carolina, indicate Mr. Eccles' sister, Amanda Wharton, was arrested on October 19, 1953, on a charge of violation of the automobile laws, and paid a fine, the amount of which is not contained in the records. She was also arrested on November 14, 1969, on a charge of assault, that is, striking another person, and this charge was dismissed.

Franklin LeRoy Eccles

These records also indicate Mr. Eccles' sister, Bobed Murray, was arrested on January 1, 1977, on a charge of simple assault and battery, that is, striking another person, and this charge was voluntarily dismissed.

Records of the Forsyth County District Court, Winston-Salem, North Carolina, indicate Mr. Eccles' brother, Dallas Cranwood Eccles, was cited on January 16, 1964, for defective equipment and slick tires, and paid a fine, the amount of which is not contained in the records.

These records also indicate Mr. Eccles' brother, Willie Smith Eccles, was cited on February 17, 1972, for failure to follow directional markers, and paid a fine, the amount of which is not contained in the records.

Agency Checks

Information has been received from the following governmental agencies indicating their files contain either no record or no additional pertinent information concerning Mr. Eccles:

Bureau of Personnel Investigations, Civil Service Commission; Central Intelligence Agency; Defense Central Index of Investigations; and the Defense Investigative Service.

The central files of the FBI, including the files of the Identification Division, contain no additional pertinent information concerning Mr. Eccles.

Michael Ewing

Information has been received from appropriate law enforcement agencies indicating their files contain no record concerning Mr. Ewing or his close relatives, except the following:

Records of the Metropolitan Police Department, Washington, D. C., disclose that Mr. Ewing was arrested on October 26, 1971, on the charge of disorderly conduct (sitting in a roadway with a crowd blocking traffic) and forfeited a \$25 bond.

Agency Checks

Information has been received from the Bureau of Personnel Investigations, Civil Service Commission, indicating its files contain no record concerning Mr. Ewing.

The central files of the FBI, including the files of the Identification Division, contain no additional pertinent information concerning Mr. Ewing.

Gaeton Joseph Fonzi

of Mr. Fonzi's, were interviewed and they advised he is a loyal American whose character, reputation, and associates are above reproach. He was described as articulate, intelligent, dedicated, responsible, and hardworking. It was stated he is a very thorough and dedicated investigative reporter and journalist. They highly recommended him for a position of trust and responsibility.

Close Relatives

Mr. Fonzi's parents, Gaetano and Leonore Fonzi, are deceased. Mr. Fonzi has no living close relatives, other than his wife and children, mentioned previously.

Persons interviewed during this inquiry who are acquainted with Mr. Fonzi's wife and children advised they are reputable individuals.

Credit and Arrest Checks

Information has been received from appropriate credit reporting agencies indicating their files contain either no record or no additional pertinent information concerning Mr. Fonzi.

Information has been received from appropriate law enforcement agencies indicating their files contain no record concerning Mr. Fonzi or his close relatives, except the following:

The files of the Miami Beach, Florida, Police Department reveal Mr. Fonzi's son, Guy Fonzi, was arrested on July 23, 1975, for "breaking and entering a vending machine." The disposition is recorded as "turned over to juvenile court."

Security Clearance

Mr. Fonzi was granted a secret clearance on May 14, 1965, by the Department of the Army. This clearance was terminated on April 30, 1972.

HSCA
Personnel

- 1 - Mr. Monahan
- ① - Mr. Peelman
- 1 - Mr. Rotis
- 1 - Mr. Hurst
- 1 - Mr. Flanagan

December 6, 1977

BY LIAISON

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Honorable Louis Stokes
 Chairman
 Select Committee on Assassinations
 United States House of Representatives
 Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Chairman:

Reference is made to my letters dated July 26, 1977, August 8, 1977, and September 13, 1977, which furnished you the results of investigation concerning Mr. Donovan Lamar Gay. Transmitted herewith are two copies of a summary memorandum containing the results of additional investigation conducted in this matter.

This completes the investigation in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Clarence M. Kelley
 Director

Enclosures (10)

NOTE: Chairman of above committee and CIA requested it be ascertained if Mr. Gay still has outstanding indebtedness to Walker's, Incorporated; District of Columbia Government; and in connection with a \$290 student loan. Investigation disclosed previously reported debts still outstanding and that Mr. Gay also owes District of Columbia Government additional taxes totaling \$748.25 not previously reported. Investigation complete.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

December 6, 1977

DONOVAN LAMAR GAY

The information in this summary memorandum supplements the information contained in summary memoranda dated July 26, 1977, August 8, 1977, and September 13, 1977.

Indebtedness

On pages 3 and 4 of the summary memorandum dated July 26, 1977, it was indicated Mr. Gay owed \$516.50 to Walker's, Incorporated, Dayton, Ohio.

Carol Jackson, Credit Manager, Walker's Incorporated, Dayton, Ohio, advised that sometime during the end of October, 1977, Mr. Gay telephonically contacted Walker's and requested the balance due on his account. She said Mr. Gay was informed the balance due was \$516.50 and that Mr. Gay advised he would send Walker's a check to clear up this indebtedness. She said that as of the close of business on November 22, 1977, no check has been received from Mr. Gay.

On page 7 of the summary memorandum dated July 26, 1977, it was indicated Mr. Gay has an outstanding debt of \$226.20 from an original debt of \$290 and that this debt is based on a student loan granted to Mr. Gay while he was a student at the University of Dayton, Dayton, Ohio.

Mrs. Nancy Graft, Credit Manager, Bursar's Office, University of Dayton, advised her records indicate Mr. Gay owes \$226.20 from an original debt of \$290 on a National Direct Student Loan Number 0168004643-A. She said this loan is held by the American National Bank and Trust Company, Chicago, Illinois. She said this debt was assigned for collection to the Financial Collection Association, location unknown, on an unspecified date.

Mary Jane Egan, Administrative Assistant, American National Bank and Trust Company, Chicago, Illinois, advised this bank administers the National Direct Student Loan Program for the University of Dayton. She said it is the university and not this bank which makes the loans to the students.

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She said National Direct Student Loan Number 0168004643-A is a loan the University of Dayton made to Mr. Gay. She said the bank is not legally permitted to furnish any information concerning Mr. Gay's loan; however, information furnished by the Univeristy of Dayton concerning Mr. Gay's loan would be correct.

Robert Jordon, Collection Agent, Financial Collection Agencies, Cincinnati, Ohio, advised that in July, 1974, his firm was assigned Mr. Gay's delinquent National Direct Student Loan for collection. He said this indebtedness is currently \$350.90, consistant of the original loan of \$290 plus accrued interest of \$60.90. He said that when his firm received this delinquent loan in July, 1974, contact was made with Mr. Gay's mother in Dayton, Ohio. He said Mr. Gay's mother advised his firm she had no idea of Mr. Gay's whereabouts. Mr. Jordon said that following this conversation, his firm sent a notice of delinquency to Mr. Gay at the home of his mother. He said this mail was subsequently returned by the United States Postal Service marked "addressee unknown." He said no further efforts were made to collect this loan.

The day following the aforementioned interview, Mr. Jordon contacted the FBI to report that following his interview, he had telephonically contacted Mr. Gay's mother in Dayton, Ohio, on the morning of November 22, 1977, to obtain Mr. Gay's address. He said Mr. Gay's mother refused to disclose Mr. Gay's current whereabouts and disclaimed any indebtedness by Mr. Gay. He said that later in this day, he was telephonically contacted by an individual identifying himself as Mr. Gay's brother, Ted, and then by an individual identifying himself as Mr. Gay. He said that both of these individuals told him to leave their mother alone and to let matters lie concerning Mr. Gay's indebtedness. He said the individual identifying himself as Mr. Gay acknowledged his indebtedness and refused to pay this loan noting to Mr. Jordon that it would cost the firm more than \$350 to collect this delinquent loan. Mr. Jordon said his firm is now prepared to sue Mr. Gay and/or Mr. Gay's father, who is the co-signer for this delinquent loan.

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On page 2 of the summary memorandum dated September 13, 1977, it was indicated that the records of the Office of the Recorder of Deeds, District of Columbia Government, Washington, D. C., contain a Certificate of Delinquent Taxes, dated June 28, 1972, which indicates Jeans and Things, Incorporated, and its President, Mr. Gay, owe \$815.82 in sales taxes, penalties, and interest for the period from December, 1971, to March, 1972, and that the records also contain a second Certificate of Delinquent Taxes dated June 20, 1972, which indicates Jeans and Things, Incorporated, owes \$170.34 in personal property taxes.

On November 28, 1977, the records of this office were rechecked. The records indicate both of these items are still delinquent and it was noted that the second certificate is dated June 28, 1972, and not June 20, 1972. Copies of these certificates are enclosed.

A recheck of the records of this office disclosed they contain a third Certificate of Delinquent Taxes dated May 23, 1975, which indicates Jeans and Things, Incorporated, and its President, Mr. Gay, owe \$644.24 in sales and withholding taxes, penalties, and interest for the period from October, 1971, to March, 1972. These records also contain a fourth Certificate of Delinquent Taxes dated May 23, 1975, which indicates Jeans and Things, Incorporated, owes corporation taxes of \$104.01 for December, 1971, and December, 1972. Copies of these certificates are enclosed.

It is noted that the certificates list the defendants as "Jeans N Things, Incorporated, 214 7th Street, Southeast, Washington, D. C., 20003" and the President of this firm as "Donovan L. Gray."

On August 31, 1977, Mr. Gay telephonically advised he was the owner of Jeans and Things, Incorporated, 214 7th Street, Southeast, Washington, D. C., from March, 1971, to May, 1972. He said that originally his brother, Theodis Regina'd Gay, and two other individuals were his partners in this firm; however, they had subsequently resigned their positions leaving him as the sole owner.

Enclosures (4)



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

September 13, 1977

DONOVAN LAMAR GAY

The information in this summary memorandum supplements the information contained in summary memoranda dated July 26, 1977, and August 8, 1977.

Miscellaneous

The records of the Tax Division, Superior Court of the District of Columbia, Washington, D. C., indicate that on June 13, 1972, the Corporation Counsel for the District of Columbia Government filed a four-count information charging Mr. Gay with failure to file and pay the District of Columbia sales tax for his business, Jeans and Things, Incorporated, for the period from December, 1971, to March, 1972. The records indicate Mr. Gay pled guilty to one count of the four-count information on June 27, 1972, for which he paid a fine of \$100. The other three counts of this information were nol-prossed.

These records also indicate that on June 13, 1972, the Corporation Counsel for the District of Columbia Government filed a four count information charging Jeans and Things, Incorporated, by and through its President, Mr. Gay, with failure to file and pay the District of Columbia sales tax for the period from December, 1971, to March, 1972. The records indicate Mr. Gay pled guilty to one count of the four-count indictment on June 27, 1972, for which he was fined \$100, execution of which was suspended contingent upon Mr. Gay's fulfilling probation of one year with the condition Mr. Gay file and pay all future taxes in a timely manner, and that he set up a payment schedule for payment of the delinquent taxes owed by his firm. The records contain no additional pertinent information concerning this matter.

FBI/DOJ

Donovan Lamar Gay

The records of the Office of the Recorder of Deeds, District of Columbia Government, Washington, D. C., contain a Certificate of Delinquent Taxes dated June 28, 1972, which indicates Jeans and Things, Incorporated, and its President, Mr. Gay, owe \$815.82 in sales taxes, penalties, and interest for the period from December, 1971, to March, 1972. The records also contain a second Certificate of Delinquent Taxes dated June 20, 1972, which indicates Jeans and Things, Incorporated, owes \$170.34 in personal property taxes.

These records indicate the aforementioned taxes are still outstanding and contain no additional pertinent information concerning this matter.

Honorable Louis Stokes

NOTE: Reverend George Barrett, former Vice President, University of Dayton, Dayton, Ohio, is reluctant to recommend Mr. Gay because Mr. Gay abused his expense account as Director of Black Studies, and the university had to withhold Mr. Gay's wages in order to satisfy a delinquent account of Mr. Gay's. Mr. Gay reportedly was fined \$100 in July, 1972, for failure to pay Washington, D. C., sales tax. Review of appropriate court records concerning this fine is still outstanding.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

August 8, 1977

DONOVAN LAMAR GAY

The information in this summary memorandum supplements the information contained in a summary memorandum dated July 26, 1977.

Interview

Reverend George Barrett, President, Bergamo Center, and former Vice President, University of Dayton, Dayton, Ohio, advised he was acquainted with Mr. Gay while Mr. Gay was a student at the University of Dayton and Director of Black Studies. He described Mr. Gay as a "smooth operator" who was chosen by black students at this university as leader of the Black Action Through Unity, a student organization. He said that when the university started a black studies program, Mr. Gay was selected by the black students to be Director, and Mr. Gay's selection was subsequently approved by the university's Presidential Committee. He said he did not approve of Mr. Gay's selection because he did not believe Mr. Gay had the necessary background, experience, or education for this position; however, the committee overruled him. He said he also disagreed with the committee's decision to pay Mr. Gay a high salary and provide him with a good expense account.

Father Barrett said Mr. Gay set up a black studies program, and, in his opinion, did a fair job as Director; however, he said Mr. Gay abused his expense account by trying to charge Dayton motel and eating expenses to the university. He said he refused to approve these personal expenditures of Mr. Gay's. He noted it was necessary for the University of Dayton to withhold Mr. Gay's wages as Director of Black Studies in order to satisfy a delinquent account of Mr. Gay's resulting from a short-term tuition loan granted to Mr. Gay by the university.

FBI/DOJ

Donovan Lamar Gay

He said he would not question Mr. Gay's loyalty or associates; however, he would rather not comment concerning Mr. Gay's character or reputation. He said that based upon the aforementioned facts, he would not rehire Mr. Gay and is reluctant to recommend Mr. Gay for a position of trust and confidence.

Agency Check

The records of the Veterans Administration indicate Mr. Gay was discharged from the United States Marine Corps on April 11, 1969, after a United States Navy medical review board recommended his discharge because of an "aberrant pancreas, stomach (not aggravated by service), and a duodenal ulcer, healed (line of duty, not misconduct)." On May 20, 1970, the Veterans Administration rated Mr. Gay's disability as thirty percent and made this disability retroactive to April 12, 1969. The records indicate this rating was changed to ten percent on January 28, 1976, due to "remission of symptoms," and continues to remain at this rate of disability.

Honorable Louis Stokes

NOTE: Mr. Gay is employed as Research Director by the Select Committee on Assassinations, United States House of Representatives, Washington, D. C. A former employer would not recommend Mr. Gay because he still owes his firm \$516.50 from when he was a salesman in the 1960's. Two individual associates with the University of Dayton, would not recommend Mr. Gay because of his performance while he was director of Black Studies for the university. One agency check and additional inquiries outstanding.

Donovan Lamar Gay

until November 12, 1967, when he was honorably discharged as a private in order to enlist in the United States Marine Corps. He enlisted in and served on active duty with the United States Marine Corps from November 13, 1967, to April 11, 1969, when he was honorably discharged as a lance corporal by reason of a physical disability which existed prior to service due to "aberrant pancreas, stomach, symptomatic." His service record is clear.

Employment

June, 1963, to
July, 1964

Alber's Supermarket, Dayton,
Ohio, as a clerk and cashier on
a part-time and full-time basis

May, 1964, to
July, 1964;
January, 1965, to
August, 1965;
February, 1967, to
March, 1967;
June, 1967, to
October, 1967;
April, 1969, to
May, 1969; and
August, 1969, to
September, 1969

Delco Products, Incorporated,
Dayton, Ohio, as a production
worker on a part-time and full-
time basis

Christmas Season
of 1964; and
April, 1965, to
June, 1965

Metropolitan Clothing, Dayton,
Ohio, as a salesman on a part-
time and full-time basis

June, 1965, to
September, 1965

Rike's Department Store, Dayton,
Ohio, as a salesman

October, 1965, to
November, 1967

Walker's, Incorporated, Dayton,
Ohio, as a salesman on a part-
time and full-time basis

January, 1970, to
October, 1970

University of Dayton, Dayton,
Ohio, initially as Director of
Black Studies and eventually as
Coordinator of Black Studies

Donovan Lamar Gay

March, 1971, to
May, 1972

Jeans and Things, Incorporated,
Washington, D. C., as proprietor.
This employment could not be veri-
fied through records; however,
one individual was interviewed
who recalls his having been so
employed.

January, 1973, to
September, 1973

Capitol Hill Art and Frame Company,
Washington, D. C., as a framer

October, 1973, to
January, 1976

Library of Congress, Washington,
D. C., as an analyst

January, 1976, to
September, 1976

Congressional Black Caucus,
United States House of Representa-
tives, Washington, D. C., as
Research Director

October, 1976, to
the present

Select Committee on Assassinations,
United States House of Representa-
tives, Washington, D. C., as
Chief Researcher

Marital Status

Mr. Gay is married to the former Ann Roberta Chambers. They reside at 321 F Street, Northeast, Washington, D. C.

Interviews

Glen Waltrip, Chairman, Walker's, Incorporated, Dayton, Ohio, advised Mr. Gay was employed by his firm from October, 1965, to November, 1967, as a salesman on a part-time basis, except during the summer months when he was employed on a full-time basis. He said that as a salesman, Mr. Gay was honest, dependable, trustworthy, and always made a neat appearance. He said Mr. Gay was punctual, courteous to customers, and he was a good salesman. He noted that he had extended Mr. Gay approximately \$800 in credit in order to purchase clothing while Mr. Gay was employed as a salesman. and that Mr. Gay still owes this firm \$516.50. He said that neither he nor the firm has heard from Mr. Gay in many years concerning this outstanding debt. He said that based

Donovan Lamar Gay

upon Mr. Gay's indebtedness to the firm, he could not favorably comment on Mr. Gay's character and reputation, and he would not recommend Mr. Gay for a position of trust and responsibility.

Robert E. Donovan, Director, Metro Center, and former Registrar, University of Dayton, Dayton, Ohio, advised he was acquainted with Mr. Gay while Mr. Gay was a student at this university and Director of Black Studies. He said Mr. Gay "conned" himself into the position of Director of Black Studies by falsely claiming he had a degree from a university in California. He said he does not consider Mr. Gay to be honest or trustworthy because while Mr. Gay was Director of Black Studies at this university, Mr. Gay reportedly used an excessive amount of university funds in his capacity as Director of Black Studies for personal travel throughout the United States. He said Reverend George Barrett, former Vice President of this university, would be in a better position to furnish additional information concerning this matter.

Mr. Donovan said he recalls receiving a telephone call in approximately 1971 from the Registrar of the University of Michigan who was inquiring concerning Mr. Gay. He said the Registrar, whose name he does not recall, indicated Mr. Gay was being considered for a position with the University of Michigan, and Mr. Gay claimed he was a graduate from the University of Dayton. He said he checked the university's records and verified Mr. Gay had not graduated and furnished this information to this individual. He said that based upon the aforementioned facts, he would not recommend Mr. Gay for a position of trust and responsibility.

An individual who has requested confidentiality and is employed in a responsible position by the University of Dayton, Dayton, Ohio, advised he was acquainted with Mr. Gay while Mr. Gay was a student and Director of Black Studies at this university. He described Mr. Gay as an energetic, forceful, and determined young black man, who took advantage of the turmoil on campuses among blacks in the late 1960's. He explained when Mr. Gay was being considered for the position of Director of Black Studies, Mr. Gay claimed he had a degree from a university in California and was a

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senior of the University of Dayton, when he was actually a sophomore. He said Mr. Gay reportedly spent excessive amounts of university funds for personal travel in his capacity as Director of Black Studies. He said Mr. Gay also sued the University of Dayton for defamation of character approximately five years ago, and this case was subsequently "thrown out of court." Details concerning this suit are set forth hereinafter.

This individual said the Reverend George Barrett, former Vice President of the University of Dayton, would be more familiar with Mr. Gay's activities. He said he has no reason to question Mr. Gay's loyalty; however, he does not consider Mr. Gay to be totally honest and trustworthy because of the aforementioned facts and would not recommend Mr. Gay for a position of trust and responsibility.

Beryl Bridges, Administrative Assistant, Congressional Black Caucus, United States House of Representatives, Washington, D. C., advised she has been acquainted with Mr. Gay socially and professionally for approximately five years. She described Mr. Gay as an honest, intelligent, and capable individual who has the ability to get along well with others. She said Mr. Gay is a loyal American of excellent character, associates, and reputation. She highly recommended Mr. Gay for a position of trust and responsibility.

Ulysses W. Boykin III, Attorney, Detroit, Michigan, advised he has been acquainted with Mr. Gay since they were schoolmates in elementary school in South Carolina. He described Mr. Gay as a mature, polite, intelligent, conscientious, and hardworking individual. He commented favorably concerning Mr. Gay's character, associates, reputation, and loyalty. He highly recommended Mr. Gay for a position of trust and responsibility.

Twenty-six additional persons, consisting of current and former supervisors and co-workers, present and former neighbors, references, associates, and social acquaintances of Mr. Gay's, were interviewed. They advised he is a loyal American whose character, reputation, and associates are above reproach. He was described as honest, trustworthy, capable, conscientious, hardworking, and intelligent. It was stated Mr. Gay exhibits a fine attitude toward his work and can be counted on to complete his assignments in a capable manner. They highly recommended him for a position of trust and responsibility.

Donovan Lamar Gay

Information has been received from appropriate law enforcement agencies indicating their files contain no record concerning Mr. Gay or his close relatives, except the following:

Records of the Dayton, Ohio, Police Department indicate Mr. Gay was cited on four occasions from April 26, 1967, to November 2, 1970, for traffic violations such as "speeding" and "driving through marked lane," for which he paid fines totaling \$55 on subsequent dates.

Records of the Department of Motor Vehicles, District of Columbia Government, Washington, D. C., indicate Mr. Gay was cited for "speeding" on May 11, 1971, for which he paid an unspecified fine on a subsequent date.

Security Clearance

Mr. Gay was granted a secret clearance on February 21, 1975, by the Library of Congress. This clearance is no longer active.

Indebtedness

The records of the University of Dayton, Dayton, Ohio, indicate Mr. Gay has an outstanding debt of \$226.20 from an original debt of \$290. This debt is based on a student loan granted to Mr. Gay while he was a student at this university.

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Miscellaneous

The records of the Montgomery County Clerk's Office, Dayton, Ohio, indicate that on January 19, 1972, Donovan Lamar Gay, plaintiff, filed a complaint against the University of Dayton, defendant. The complaint charged that the University of Dayton had withheld Mr. Gay's pay without justification and that this action had caused Mr. Gay to accumulate debts. The complaint also charged this action had caused Mr. Gay to relocate his home to another area of Montgomery County in order to prevent further damage to his mental and physical health.

The records contain a letter dated July 9, 1970, from the University of Dayton to Mr. Gay indicating Mr. Gay had a delinquent account with this university in the amount of \$1,674.88 resulting from a short-term tuition loan the university had granted Mr. Gay until he received his educational benefits from the Veterans Administration. The letter indicates Mr. Gay had received his educational benefits from the Veterans Administration and had not reimbursed the university. The complaint was dismissed on July 10, 1973, "at cost" to Mr. Gay.

Agency Checks

Information has been received from the following governmental agencies indicating their files contain either no record or no additional pertinent information concerning Mr. Gay:

Bureau of Personnel Investigations,
Civil Service Commission; Central
Intelligence Agency; Defense Central
Index of Investigations; and the
Defense Industrial Security Clearance
Office, Columbus, Ohio.

- 1 - Mr. Monahan
- ① - Mr. Peelman *apm*
- 1 - Mr. Hotis
- 1 - Mr. Hurst
- 1 - Mr. Doohar

December 8, 1977

BY LIAISON

FOSTER
8888

Honorable Louis Stokes
Chairman
Select Committee on Assassinations
United States House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Chairman:

Reference is made to my letter dated September 30, 1977, which furnished you results of investigation concerning Mr. Dominick Revin Giangrasso, no longer employed by your committee. The enclosed summary memorandum is being furnished for the purpose of completing your files.

With regard to the criminal investigation referred to on pages six and seven of the enclosed summary memorandum, wherein Mr. Giangrasso is mentioned, and of which you were previously advised, no disposition has been effected and the criminal investigation is still pending.

As Mr. Giangrasso is no longer employed by your committee this matter is not being followed as an applicant matter.

Sincerely yours,

Clarence M. Kelley
Director

Enclosure

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NOTE: Giangrasso was fired by House Assassinations Committee based on information furnished in our previous communication to the committee reporting unsubstantiated allegations by two individuals that he offered to provide the identity of an informant in an arson case to one of the subjects for a price. Baltimore AUSA will not render prosecutive opinion until other aspects of FBI ITAR investigation have been resolved. Enclosed summary furnished at request of Staff Director of committee and for purpose of completing their files.

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Dominick Kevin Giangrasso

Close Relatives

In addition to his wife, mentioned previously, Mr. Giangrasso has the following close relatives, all of whom reside in Baltimore, Maryland:

Father	Dominick Anthony Giangrasso
Mother	Dorothy Inez Matthews Giangrasso
Stepsister	Mary Agnes Ahl Frank
Stepsister	Dorothy Francis Gutowski Santucci

Based on the background information furnished by Mr. Giangrasso, and on investigation, he has no known close relatives residing in Iron Curtain countries.

Persons interviewed during this inquiry who are acquainted with Mr. Giangrasso's close relatives advised they are reputable individuals.

Credit and Arrest Checks

Information has been received from appropriate credit reporting agencies indicating their files contain either no record or no additional pertinent information concerning Mr. Giangrasso.

Information has been received from appropriate law enforcement agencies indicating their files contain no record concerning Mr. Giangrasso or his close relatives, except the following:

Records of the Baltimore City Police Department, Baltimore, Maryland, disclose Mr. Giangrasso was arrested on April 26, 1961, for larceny of one hubcap valued at \$10. This charge was dismissed.

Dominick Kevin Giangrasso

Miscellaneous

The central files of the FBI disclose the FBI is presently conducting an Interstate Transportation in Aid of Racketeering investigation concerning a December, 1976, arson of a clothing warehouse owned by S. Hiken Formal Rentals, Baltimore, Maryland, and other arson matters.

During the course of this criminal investigation, information has been developed concerning Mr. Giangrasso who was then employed as a detective with the Baltimore, Maryland, Police Department.

It has been alleged by two individuals who have requested confidentiality that around Memorial Day, 1977, Mr. Giangrasso, while employed as a detective with the Baltimore Police Department, approached a long-time friend, Stanley Hiken, proprietor of S. Hiken Formal Rentals. Mr. Giangrasso reportedly advised Stanley Hiken he was being investigated and that Federal and/or State charges would possibly be issued against him concerning the arson of his clothing warehouse.

It was further alleged by these individuals Mr. Giangrasso advised Stanley Hiken he was willing to furnish him the name of the individual who was furnishing law enforcement agencies with the facts concerning this arson for a price, amount not stated. Stanley Hiken declined to accept Mr. Giangrasso's offer because he felt he was possibly being set up for law enforcement purposes by Mr. Giangrasso.

The Baltimore City Police Department discontinued an internal investigation of Mr. Giangrasso concerning his involvement in aforementioned arson matter when he resigned to accept employment with the Select Committee on Assassinations, United States House of Representatives.

Dominick Kevin Giangrasso

Daniel F. Goldstein, Assistant United States Attorney, District of Maryland, Baltimore, Maryland, advised he is unable to render a prosecutive opinion concerning Mr. Giangrasso at this time inasmuch as the matter is still being investigated. He said he will consider prosecuting Mr. Giangrasso for obstruction of justice should the facts developed in this matter warrant such charges.

Agency Checks

Information has been received from the Bureau of Personnel Investigations, Civil Service Commission, indicating its files contain no record concerning Mr. Giangrasso.

The central files of the FBI, including the files of the Identification Division, contain no additional pertinent information concerning Mr. Giangrasso.

Memoranda

- 1 - Mr. Monahan
 - ① - Mr. Peelman
 - 1 - Mr. Hurst
 - 1 - Mr. Daly
 - 1 - Mr. Spangler
 - 1 - Mr. Doohar
- September 30, 1977

BY LIAISON

*REC-101
M 8988*

Honorable Louis Stokes
 Chairman
 Select Committee on Assassinations
 United States House of Representatives
 Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Chairman:

In accordance with a request received from you on September 8, 1977, an applicant-type investigation is currently being conducted concerning Mr. Dominick Kevin Giangrasso.

In response to the September 29, 1977, request of G. Robert Blakey, Staff Director, Select Committee on Assassinations, United States House of Representatives, concerning the present status of this investigation, the following information is set forth:

The FBI is presently conducting an Interstate Transportation in Aid of Racketeering investigation concerning a December, 1976, arson of a clothing warehouse owned by S. Hiken Formal Rentals, Baltimore, Maryland, and other arson matters.

During the course of this criminal investigation, information has been developed concerning Mr. Giangrasso who was then employed as a detective with the Baltimore, Maryland, Police Department.

It has been alleged by two individuals*who have requested confidentiality that around Memorial Day, 1977, Mr. Giangrasso, while employed as a detective with the Baltimore Police Department, approached a long-time friend, Stanley Hiken, proprietor of S. Hiken Formal Rentals. Mr. Giangrasso reportedly advised Stanley Hiken he was being investigated and that Federal and or State charges would possibly be issued against him concerning the arson of his clothing warehouse.

*Edmund White, Baltimore Police Officer, and his wife, Theresa White, an employee of S. Hiken Formal Rentals, Baltimore, Maryland.

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1 - Mr. Monahan
1 - Mr. Hurst
1 - Mr. Peelman
1 - Mr. Daly
1 - Mr. Spangler
1 - Mr. Doehner
September 30, 1977

BY LIAISON

6/2/77
Rm. 898

Honorable Louis Stokes
Chairman
Select Committee on Assassinations
United States House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Chairman:

In accordance with a request received from you on September 8, 1977, an applicant-type investigation is currently being conducted concerning Mr. Dominick Kevin Giangrasso.

In response to the September 29, 1977, request of G. Robert Blakely, Staff Director, Select Committee on Assassinations, United States House of Representatives, concerning the present status of this investigation, the following information is set forth:

The FBI is presently conducting an Interstate Transportation in Aid of Racketeering investigation concerning a December, 1976, arson of a clothing warehouse owned by S. Hiken Formal Rentals, Baltimore, Maryland, and other arson matters.

During the course of this criminal investigation, information has been developed concerning Mr. Giangrasso who was then employed as a detective with the Baltimore, Maryland, Police Department.

It has been alleged by two individuals who have requested confidentiality that around Memorial Day, 1977, Mr. Giangrasso, while employed as a detective with the Baltimore Police Department, approached a long-time friend, Stanley Hiken, proprietor of S. Hiken Formal Rentals. Mr. Giangrasso reportedly advised Stanley Hiken he was being investigated and that Federal and or State charges would possibly be issued against him concerning the arson of his clothing warehouse.

*Edmund White, Baltimore Police Officer, and his wife, Theresa White, an employee of S. Hiken Formal Rentals, Baltimore, Maryland.

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Honorable Louis Stokes

It was further alleged by these individuals Mr. Giangrasso advised Stanley Hiken he was willing to furnish him the name of the individual who was furnishing law enforcement agencies with the facts concerning this arson for a price, amount not stated. Stanley Hiken declined to accept Mr. Giangrasso's offer because he felt he was possibly being set up for law enforcement purposes by Mr. Giangrasso.

Mr. Giangrasso who had been employed by the Baltimore Police Department since January, 1964, resigned on September 2, 1977, during the course of an internal investigation being conducted by the Baltimore Police Department concerning his involvement in the aforementioned matter. The internal investigation of the Baltimore Police Department was discontinued when Mr. Giangrasso resigned.

Daniel F. Goldstein, Assistant United States Attorney, District of Maryland, Baltimore, Maryland, advised he is unable to render a prosecutive opinion concerning Mr. Giangrasso at this time inasmuch as the matter is still being investigated. He said he will consider prosecuting Mr. Giangrasso for obstruction of justice should the facts developed in this matter warrant such charges.

No additional unfavorable information has been developed concerning Mr. Giangrasso during the course of the ongoing applicant-type investigation which you have requested. Several persons have commented very favorably concerning Mr. Giangrasso's character, reputation, associates, and loyalty. He has been described as an excellent investigator who has a great deal of perception and who is highly regarded by his professional associates.

When the results of additional inquiries in this applicant-type investigation have been received, you will be advised.

Sincerely yours,

Clarence M. Kelley
Director

Honorable Louis Stokes

NOTE: Staff Director, House Assassinations Committee, has requested letter concerning Giangrasso's involvement in pending FBI ITAR arson case in order to take action concerning his employment with committee. Giangrasso resigned from Baltimore, Maryland, Police Department detective job during police department internal investigation concerning his offer to provide identity of informant in an arson case to one of the subjects for a price. Facts as set forth coordinated with Baltimore AUSA who will not render prosecutive opinion until other aspects of FBI ITAR arson case have been resolved. Applicant investigation still pending.

B-1-10/30

Honorable Louis Stokes

NOTE: Investigation of Miss Godfrey for position with House Select Committee on Assassinations complete and favorable, except for one person stating she should be more security conscious, and another person advising she was terminated from a position because she was slow in answering correspondence. She indicates she was cited for speeding. No record could be located.

351-10120

Jane Elizabeth Godfrey

December, 1976, to
the present

Select Committee on Assassinations,
United States House of Represent-
atives, Washington, D. C., as
a secretary

Marital Status

Miss Godfrey is unmarried and resides in Apartment 103 at 3001 Porter Street, Northwest, Washington, D. C.

Interviews

Mike Wetherell, Administrative Assistant to Frank Church, United States Senator from Idaho, advised in Washington, D. C., he knew Miss Godfrey on a professional basis from 1969 to 1970, while Miss Godfrey worked for Senator Church. He advised he and Miss Godfrey worked directly under the supervision of Mrs. Verda W. Barnes, then serving as Administrative Assistant to Senator Church. Mr. Wetherell advised Mrs. Barnes elevated Miss Godfrey to a position where she was assigned to handle secretarial "casework." Mr. Wetherell stated it is his opinion that Miss Godfrey was given too much responsibility too early in her career in this assignment. He stated he believed she was unable to handle the heavy volume of work assigned to her. He advised he recalled many instances in which it was discovered that letters handled by Miss Godfrey replying to correspondence received by the Senator were leaving the office between two and three months' late. He stated he believed Mrs. Barnes thought if this situation continued, serious morale problems would develop among the other members of the Senator's staff who were properly meeting their deadlines. Mr. Wetherell stated it was decided Miss Godfrey should be terminated. He advised he recalled she was terminated during October, 1970.

Mr. Wetherell emphasized this termination in no way adversely reflects upon Miss Godfrey's suitability for a position of trust and confidence with the United States Government. He stated she is a loyal citizen whose character, reputation, and associates are above reproach. He stated he is aware Miss Godfrey is currently serving on the staff with the Select Committee on Assassinations, United States House of Representatives, Washington, D. C. He recommended her for a position of trust and confidence with the United States Government.

Jane Elizabeth Godfrey

Verda W. Barnes, Washington, D. C., advised she was formerly the Administrative Assistant to Frank Church, United States Senator from Idaho in Washington, D. C., during the period of approximately 1969 to 1970. She stated she was Miss Godfrey's supervisor while Miss Godfrey served as secretary in Senator Church's office. Mrs. Barnes advised she and Senator Church think highly of Miss Godfrey and believe she is a talented person whose character, loyalty, reputation, and associates are of the highest order.

Mrs. Barnes stated Miss Godfrey left Senator Church's office in the fall of 1970 because Miss Godfrey was unhappy with her position on the Senator's staff. Mrs. Barnes stated she believes Miss Godfrey was overqualified for her secretarial position. She advised that at the suggestion of the Senator, Miss Godfrey sought another employment opportunity. She emphasized that Miss Godfrey's departure was in no way a reflection of any dissatisfaction with her work product. She highly recommended Miss Godfrey for a position of trust with the United States Government.

A person requesting confidentiality advised he has known Miss Godfrey on a professional basis since about January, 1976. He stated he believes Miss Godfrey's security habits should be improved and that certain rules concerning her assignments need to be followed. He said he does not desire to comment further and would not furnish specific examples concerning this matter.

He advised he considers Miss Godfrey to be a hard worker, and he has no reason to question her character, loyalty, reputation, or associates. He recommended her for a position of trust with the United States Government.

Eugene C. Zack, former Administrative Assistant to James G. O'Hara, former United States Representative from Michigan, advised he knew Miss Godfrey on a professional basis from 1971 through 1976. He stated that he was Miss Godfrey's supervisor during this time, and he found her to be a very competent staff secretary. He stated she was extremely discreet in handling matters pertaining to her professional responsibilities. He advised she is a very effective individual whose character, associates, reputation, and loyalty are above

1 - Mr. Monahan
1 - Mr. Hurst
1 - Mr. Peelman
1 - Mr. Daly
1 - Mr. Flanagan

Foster

August 19, 1977

BY LIAISON

Honorable Louis Stokes
Chairman
Select Committee on Assassinations
United States House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Chairman:

In accordance with a request received from you on July 20, 1977, an investigation has been conducted concerning Mr. Albert Gonzales. Transmitted herewith are two copies of a summary memorandum containing the results of this investigation.

Sincerely yours,

Clarence M. Kelley
Director

Enclosures (2)

NOTE: Mr. Gonzales is employed as an investigator by the House Select Committee on Assassinations, Washington, D. C. His service record indicates he was the subject of four disciplinary actions while serving in the United States Coast Guard. Four former co-workers and supervisors at the New York State Special Prosecutor's Office for Health and Social Services, New York, New York, said Mr. Gonzales's performance with this office was only average because he lacked motivation and interest in the work. Other co-workers described Mr. Gonzales as a competent and self-starting investigator. Investigation complete.

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Albert Gonzales

Mr. Gonzales' service record indicates he was the subject of four disciplinary actions. On March 10, 1944, he was tried and convicted by summary court-martial for "use of words in a contemptuous and disrespectful manner toward two United States Navy shore patrolmen on or about January 15, 1944, in the City of Oakland, California." He was sentenced to forfeiture of twenty-six dollars pay per month for three months. On March 30, 1945, he was tried and convicted by deck court for "drunkenness under the influence of intoxicating liquor, and thereby incapacitated for the proper performance of duty." He was sentenced to reduction in grade from waterman third class to fireman first class.

The records further indicate he was also issued commanding officer's nonjudicial punishment on two occasions. On a date not indicated, he was awarded ten hours of extra police duties "for taking food without permission." On a date not indicated, he was awarded twenty hours of extra police duties for "disobedience of orders and disrespect and profane language toward a chief petty officer."

Employment

July, 1940, to
December, 1940

Civilian Conservation Corps,
now defunct, as a laborer in
Monticello and Moab, Utah, and
in Sea Girth and Fort Dix,
New Jersey

Mr. Gonzales has indicated he was employed by the following business firms from June, 1941, to April, 1952, except for the period he was on military service. These employments could not be verified through records, and no one was located who recalls his having been so employed.

June, 1941, to
December, 1941

Interstate Wood Working Company,
Wooster, New York, as an
apprentice cabinetmaker

December, 1941, to
July, 1942

Glassman Box Company,
Long Island City, New York, as
an apprentice cabinetmaker

Albert Gonzales

September, 1974, to
October, 1975

Veterans Administration,
Washington, D. C., as an
investigator

October, 1975, to
June, 1977

New York State Special Prosecutor's
Office for Health and Social
Services, New York, New York, as
a special investigator

July, 1977, to
the present

Select Committee on Assassinations,
United States House of Representa-
tives, Washington, D. C., as an
investigator

When not otherwise engaged, Mr. Gonzales was
unemployed.

Marital Status

Mr. Gonzales is married to the former Mercedes
Martinez. They and their children, Albert and Elaine, reside
at 143 North Magnolia Street, Pearl River, New York.
Mr. Gonzales has advised he commutes from New York to
Washington, D. C., staying at various motels for a few days
at a time while he is working in Washington, D. C.

Interviews

James Malloy, Senior Special Investigator, New York
State Special Prosecutor's Office for Health and Social
Services, New York, New York, advised he was acquainted with
Mr. Gonzales on a professional basis for approximately five
months during the period Mr. Gonzales was employed by this
office. He described Mr. Gonzales as an intelligent and
capable investigator who "knew his way around." He said
that although Mr. Gonzales has the ability to be a good
investigator, it is his opinion that during the period
Mr. Gonzales was employed by this office, Mr. Gonzales was
not a hard worker, was a little lazy, and needed constant
supervision. He said Mr. Gonzales had to be directed and
would not initiate any investigation on his own. He said it
is his opinion that Mr. Gonzales was not interested in the
work of this office and, as a result, was lazy. He commented
favorably concerning Mr. Gonzales' character, associates,

Albert Gonzales

reputation, and loyalty. He said he would recommend Mr. Gonzales for a position of trust and responsibility with the reservation that Mr. Gonzales would need constant and direct supervision.

Donald Harmon, Senior Special Investigator, New York State Special Prosecutor's Office for Health and Social Services, New York, New York, advised he was acquainted with Mr. Gonzales on a professional basis during the period Mr. Gonzales was employed by this office. He said it is his opinion that Mr. Gonzales did not do a very good job as a special investigator. He explained it is his opinion Mr. Gonzales has the ability to be a good investigator and has a "good amount of street smarts"; however, he believes Mr. Gonzales did not like the type of work he was doing with this office and did not do a very good job. He said Mr. Gonzales would often be gone from the office, and Mr. Gonzales' supervisor did not know his whereabouts. He commented favorably concerning Mr. Gonzales' character, reputation, associates, and loyalty. He said that based upon Mr. Gonzales' performance as a special investigator for this office, he would not recommend Mr. Gonzales for a position of trust and responsibility.

Joseph Cunningham, Principal Senior Investigator, New York State Special Prosecutor's Office for Health and Social Services, New York, New York, advised he was acquainted with Mr. Gonzales during the period Mr. Gonzales was employed as a special investigator by this office. He said he was Mr. Gonzales' supervisor for a few months during this period. He noted Mr. Gonzales is a retired homicide detective from the New York City Police Department. He said it is his opinion Mr. Gonzales performed only satisfactory work and only did the work that was required of him. He said it is his opinion Mr. Gonzales needed more supervision than the average investigator. He said he did not consider Mr. Gonzales' reports to be prepared well, and they often needed correction before they could be processed. He said that although Mr. Gonzales is a capable and smart investigator who is willing to work at any time, it is his opinion Mr. Gonzales was not a very good investigator because he would not pursue investigations unless directed to do so by a superior. He described Mr. Gonzales as an honest, personable, straightforward, but

Albert Gonzales

not overly aggressive individual. He commented favorably concerning Mr. Gonzales' character, associates, reputation, and loyalty. He recommended Mr. Gonzales for a position of trust and responsibility with the qualification that Mr. Gonzales be properly supervised.

Thomas O'Hara, Senior Special Investigator, New York State Special Prosecutor's Office for Health and Social Services, New York, New York, advised he was acquainted with Mr. Gonzales during the period Mr. Gonzales was employed by this office. He noted he supervised Mr. Gonzales from February, 1977, to June, 1977. He described Mr. Gonzales as a personable, dependable, honest, and responsible individual. He said it is his opinion that out of the ten men he supervised during the same period he supervised Mr. Gonzales, he considered Mr. Gonzales' performance to be only average. He said he believes Mr. Gonzales lacked the motivation and interest to perform the investigations required of him by this office. He said it is his opinion Mr. Gonzales was thinking of looking for employment elsewhere, and, as a result, Mr. Gonzales' performance exhibited very little investigative aggressiveness. He said his supervision of Mr. Gonzales' reports led him to believe Mr. Gonzales is deficient when it comes to reporting a complex interview he has conducted. He commented favorably concerning Mr. Gonzales' character, associates, reputation, and loyalty. He said he would not recommend Mr. Gonzales for a position of trust and responsibility requiring administrative ability or the handling of complicated investigations because of the aforementioned facts.

Michael McCarron, Special Investigator, New York State Special Prosecutor's Office for Health and Social Services, New York, New York, advised he has been acquainted with Mr. Gonzales on a professional basis since they were both employed as detectives with the New York City Police Department in the 1950's. He described Mr. Gonzales as a first-rate detective who solved some of the most difficult investigations in the Harlem section of the City of New York. He said Mr. Gonzales knows how to talk to "the people on the street," and Mr. Gonzales' ability to speak Spanish was invaluable in many investigations he conducted for the New York City Police Department. He said it is his opinion that as a detective, Mr. Gonzales obtained excellent results