

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

HAROLD WEISBERG,)
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 Plaintiff,)
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 v.) Civil Action No. 75-1996
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 U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, et al.)
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 Defendants.)
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AFFIDAVIT OF

QUINLAN J. SHEA, JR.

I, Quinlan J. Shea, Jr., being duly sworn, do hereby
depose and state as follows:

1. I am the Director of the Office of Privacy and
Information Appeals, Office of the Associate Attorney General,
United States Department of Justice. The statements made
herein are based in part on personal knowledge obtained in the
course of carrying out my official duties, and in part on infor-
mation received and beliefs formulated in the course of carrying
out these official duties.

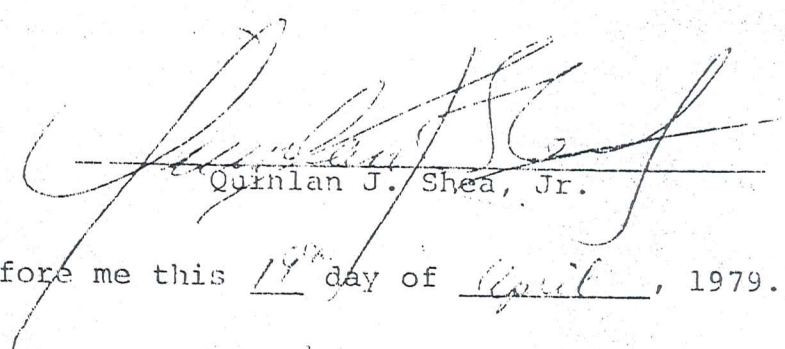
2. I have personally reviewed Affidavits of Fed-
eral Bureau of Investigation Special Agents Martin Wood;
Clifford H. Anderson; Edwin A. Waite, Jr.; Edward A. Shea;
Herbert Northcutt, Jr.; Kenneth A. Jacobsen; Bennie F. Brewer;
Burl F. Johnson; and William L. Deaton, which were prepared in
conjunction with this litigation. Copies of the Affidavits
reviewed by me are attached hereto as Attachments A-1 to A-9.
I have also personally reviewed the Affidavit of Attorney-
Adviser Douglas F. Mitchell, Office of Privacy and Information

Appeals, Office of the Associate Attorney General. A copy of Mr. Mitchell's Affidavit is attached hereto as Attachment B.

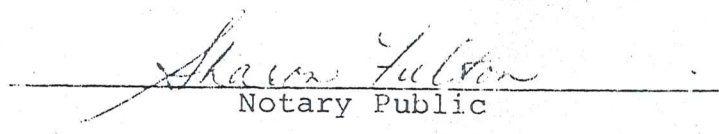
3. In the course of my own activities as Director of the Office of Privacy and Information Appeals, I have had considerable involvement in the administrative appeals process as it has pertained to the processing by the F.B.I. of records requested by the Plaintiff, Mr. Harold Weisberg, pertaining or relevant in some way to the assassination of Dr. Martin L. King, Jr. Accordingly, although my principal source of information concerning these records has been and continues to be Mr. Mitchell, and I have received additional information concerning them from the Plaintiff and from F.B.I. personnel, my own activities have given me a certain independent familiarity with them.

4. Based on my review of the Affidavits attached hereto as Attachments A-1 to A-9 and B, and on my own knowledge, information and belief regarding records requested by Mr. Weisberg, it is my conclusion that the records described in paragraph 9 and Enclosure 3 of Mr. Mitchell's Affidavit as having been processed have in fact been processed pursuant to the stipulation of August 5, 1977. This conclusion of mine addresses only the fact of processing, not the legal adequacy of that processing. It also does not address the matter of so-called "previously processed" records.

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historical use a
quality of processing*


Quinlan J. Shea, Jr.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 19th day of April, 1979.


Sharon Fulton
Notary Public

My commission expires: October 31, 1980