UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

HAROLD WEIS EEERG Plaintiff, v. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, Defendant.

AFFIDAVIT

C. A. 75-1996

My name is Harold Weisberg. I reside at 7627 Old Receiver Road (Route 12), Frederick, Martland. I am the plaintiff in this case.

1. Defendant's newest Motion for Partial Summary Judgment, undated in the copy provided to my counsel, was delayed in reaching me because, in violation of the understanding reached at the latest calendar call I was able to attend, Department counsel did not send a copy to me. This is consistent with Department counsel's steadfast effort to obfuscate, stall and misrepresent in this litigation and to harass me. One of the means of accomplishing these improper objectives was to abrogate the prior agreement to provide me with copies of filings.

2. This past September I was hospitalized for arterial surgery. From the groin to the left knee, the artery in my left thigh is now plastic. While I was recovering from this surgery, I suffered additional venous throm bophlebitis, an illness for which I was hospitalized in 1975. The day I was discharged from the hospital, blood clots broke loose and I was forced to return for additional surgery to remove these clots. Those below the left ankle are inaccessible. My total hospitalization was for a month. As a consequence of these complications, I am even more severely limited in what I can do. I cannot stand still, can walk for brief intervals only and am never without varying degrees of discomfort. My sleeping is interrupted constantly. I have not been able to sleep for more than 30 to 45 minutes before these discomforts awaken me. I must move around frequently to promote some circulation and prevent puddling of the blood in the left leg and foot. This prevents continuous work and interferes with concentration. It is not

possible for me to search my own files. I have no one helping me who can make these searches for me.

3. This newest Motion for Partial Summary Judgment and its attachments, like thos before it, are not made in good faith. They do misrepresent and misstate. They do not address all the many material facts that have been in genuine dispute throughout this long case.

4. We heard the cry "Summary Judgment" at the very fifst calendar call almost five years ago, despite the fact that no real effort at compliance had been made. Prior to that first calendar call, as Department records I have obtained reflect, on the operating level the FBI and its counsel were busily engaged in misleading and deceiving higher authority into believing that the requirements for summary judgment had been met when, in fact, they have never been met.

5. These requirements cannot be met because the very first, the initial searched, have not yet been made. They are not attested to.

6. The defendant's method in this case has been to ignore all the evidence I have provided. I recall no serious effort to rebut any of it.

7. All this evidence, which consists of my many affidavits and testimony and the testimony of the Department and FBI personnel, is ignored in the Department's newer Motions for Partial Summary Judgment.

8. As I have alleged before without contradiction, Department counsel is aware of pertinent files not searched and of the fact that there has been no search at all to comply with most of the Items of my requests. He knows that pertinent records do exist and remain withheld. One example, included in my prior affidavits, is information pertaining to spectrographic and neutron activation testing (April 15, 1975, request, Item 2). He has ignored written reminders by my counsel, copies filed with the Court.

9. Admission that spectrographic plates and neutron activation information remain withheld was adduced on deposition from John W. Kilty, the very same FBI Special Agent who earlier provided untruthful attestation to compliance.

10. On deposition present Department counsel represented both Kilty and Supervisory SA Thomas Wiseman, who also provided affidavits I, without dispute, characterized as untruthful. Wiseman testified that Kilty had made the searches required by other Items of this request, whereas Kilty testified that he had not.

Department counsel therefore knows that Wiseman's sworn representations are not truthful and that those searches still have not been made.

11. I have identified files that must be searched for compliance with my requests but Department counsel has refused to have those files searched. Defendant has never searched those files even though their pertinence is obvious and undisputed Search of "see" references remains refused even after the Court suggested it. The depositions established the existence of pertinent "see" references.

12. One of many examples of records not searched are those of the then "Crime Records Division" and the "94" files. Instead of making these required searches, the Department resorts to gross and obvious untruths and adheres to them even after I prove them to be false. Item 7 of the April 15, 1975, request, in compliance with which no search was made or attested to, requests copies of information provided to other writers. The FBI and the Department, knowing better, claim that no such information was provided. They persist in this after I produced FBI records stating that, in fact, information was provided to Jeremiah O'Leary. O'Leary stated publicly, as my uncontested affidavit reports, that the FBI provided the information for his Readers Digest article. (That article, uncontestedly, had much to do with the avoidance of a criminal trial and the Ray guilty plea.) More than two years after I provided this additional proof, it remains uncontested. The defendant has not withdrawn his sworn untruths, the search has not been made and the information remains withheld. Instead, the false claim that material facts are not in dispute is repeated, to procure an unjustified summary judgment.

13. Not even false affidavits have been filed to claim that good faith searches were made to comply with all the Items of my December 23, 1975, request and, in fact, no search has yet been made to comply with those Items.

14. Defendant and defendant's counsel now pretend that the earlier Motion for Partial Summary Judgmant, amended by the present one, is without didimite. In fact, under date of May 14, 1980, I provided a long, detailed and abundantly illuminated affidavit rebutting and disproving those earlier claims. The repre= sentation that the prior Motion and its attachment, as for example under Argument on page 2, is not made in good faith. It is made without any effort having been made to rebut my May 14, 1980, affidavit. As long as that affidavit is unrebutted -

and it cannot be rebutted - then it is certain that material facts remain in genuine dispute.

15. I have never at any time withdrawn or abandoned my requests nor have I in any way agreed to any of defendant's attempted rewriting of them. I have protested these attempted rewritings, often to the Court and prior to the first calendar call to the Deputy Attorney General. (He never responded.)

16. Defendant has not disputed that my actual requests have not been complied with and that searches have not been made to comply with my actual requests.

17. The information requested is embarrassing to defendant, to more components than the FBI. The reason it is not provided is because it is embarrassing and because there remains the possibility of substantial challenge to the official "solution" to ahat most heinous of crimes, the assassination of Dr. King.

18. When in 1976 it became apparent that false representations were being made to the Court and that Department counsel was party to the successful effort to deceive and mislead the Court and deny me the information I seek, I so ing informed the Court. In his present Motion, Department counsel remains part of the long and continuing series of official efforts to "stop" me and my work, the word actually used in FBI records, copies of which I provided. (The Court then found that my 1969 requests also are pertinent, a fact now again misrepresented by present Department counsel, as in #2 of the Statement of Material Facts.) The Court found what I stated to be unwelcome and appeared to be shocked by it. However, it remains without dispute and I was never cross-examined about it, although I was cross-examined.

19. On occasions my proofs of false representations under oath have been dramatic, as when the Court, after examining overt fakery presented by Department counsel and attested to by SA Horace Beckwith, stated it did not want to see him in this case again. It is significant, however, that this false representations have not been withdrawn or replaced and that true copies were not provided in substitution for the fakes he presented. (The Court had directed the FBI to respond to a memorandum based on my letters to the FBI in which I noted nomcomblecance and unjustified claims to exemption. Beckwith filed false statements with documents that were not authentic. I refuted his affidavit in an affidavit that remains

uncontested. At the very least, all that is involved in the Beckwith affidavit is in dispute.)

20. Difficult and costly as it is for an FOIA requester to provide these kinds of proofs, I have done it throughout this long and successfully stonewalled case, without ever once being refuted. The most recent illustration is my May 14, 1980, affidavit in opposition to the earlier part of the Motion for Partial Summary Judgment.

21. One of the continuing dirty-works that are indistinguishable from the FBI's Cointelproing and serve the identical purpose has been withheld from the Court by Department counsel. It pertains to have fee waiver. My request was stonewalled for a long time, despite the profiding of the Court. The matter was finally resolved when, after my C.A. 77-2155, the Department awarmed me a fee waiver pertaining to King and President Kennedy assassination records. The case record reflects that there is a fee waiver. The Court was not notified when it was revoked. According to documents I obtained, this was done on the initiative of present Department counsel, who also expected that it would inhibit me and reduce materially the information I could seek.

22. On November 10, 1980, I filed an appeal pertaining to what is not in litigation. (It has not been possible for my counsel to do all the work required for the perfecting of the appeal pertaining to matters in litigation.)

23. I requested that copies be provided to all interested parties in the Department. This is because once again I had to allege untruthfulness and the overt and deliberate fabrication of what is neither true nor even reasonable. As of today I have had no response and not even <u>pro forma</u> protest or complaint from present Department counsel. His fabrications include the baseless allegation that I seek only a personal memorial, have created it and use FOIA for this purpose rather than the pursuit of my own inquiry, now one of 17 years of diligent, unpaid, <u>pro bono</u> effort, one recognized by his own client/employer as without equal.

24. His stratagem, without question, is an effective means of carrying forward the FBI's scheme of more than a decade, of "stopping" me and my work. It also assures greater costs, the prolongation of litigation and, if not overturned, new litigation, which means still other and unnecessary costs.

25. Nobody in the Department has claimed that I erred in any way in alleging his fabrication of untruth, and that Department counsel had no way of knowing anything about what he told the Associate Attorney General in order to obtain approval of the revocation of the fee waiver. (He did <u>not</u> allege I do not meet the prerequisites.)

26. In addition to the extensive misleading and misinforming of the Associate Attorney General, as is set forth in my appeal, he also was told that no records remain to be provided in this instant cause. Department counsel has personal knowledge that this statement is not truthful, regardless of his many false pretenses, including to this Court. Since then he may have taken steps addressed at providing costly pertinent records that he personally has assured would be withheld to now.

27. On many occasions I have appealed the withholding of information pertinent to my request for the results of spectrographic and neutron activation testing. From prior experience (in C.A. 2301-70 and C.A. 75-226) I know that these still withheld records can be costly. As shated above and in other affidavits over a pumber of years, the spectrographic plates and what I undershand are neutron activation analyses printouts remain withheld.

28. More than two years ago, in repponse to my repeated appeals in both cases, Mr. Shea took this up with the FBI. He later informed me that it had agreed to provide duplicates of the spectrographic plates without charge because the average person cannot afford what the FBI charges for them. They have not been provided. My counsel wrote Department counsel about this long ago, when Department counsel expressed a preference for what he called the informal method, of writing letters. In December Mr. Shea phoned me to ascertain my recollection of what the FBI agreed to more than two years ago because he had been asked by Department counsel.

29. Department counsel now also represents the FBI in C.A. 75-226, a JFK assassination case in which those spectrographic plates remain withheld. In 1975 my counsel and I were told that the FBI charges \$50.00 each for these relatively small pieces of film.

30. When he brought about a revocation of the fee waiver outside the

Court while applying it to this case, Department counsel was personally aware of the continued withholding of this spectrographic and newtron activation material. The case record leaves no doubt that I cannot afford to pay \$50.00 each for small pieces of film when my only regular income is Social Security and I have heavy medical expenses, not all of which are covered by insurance. (The cost of the recent hospitalization referred to above is approximately \$20.000.000)

31. As long ago as the depositions in which he represented the witnesses employed by defendant, Department counsel had personal knowledge of the existence, pertinence and withholding of this material. He has not provided it, has not disputed that it exists and is pertinent, has ignored reminders, yet unashamedly pretends otherwise in his Motion for Summary Judgment.

32. Instead of what he pretends, to be seeking a resolution of existing causes for the continuation of this litigaton, Department counsel assures prolongation by presiding over continuing noncompliance. Had this not been his intent, he could and would have made an exception of this litigation in his fee waiver revocation ploy rather than telling the Association Attorney General what is not true, that nothing remains to be provided in it.

33. My many prior affidavits, the memorandum the Civil Division asked a pre-law student to prepare, based on her selections from my letters to the FBI, my consultancy report, the depositions, and a very large bolume of appeals filed with Mr. Shea after the Court requested that he be involved in this case, all hold countless and the most genuine questions of material fact of which defendant and Department counsel are well aware.

34. I address the misrepresentations made about the Stipulation below. Here I state that along with the student's memo and my consultancy report the Department and the FBI were to have responded to all the questions I raised. This is stated explicitly in records I obtained under discovery at the time of the depositions. Department counsel withheld them for a long time, until it was too late to use some in the depositions. They are included in my subsequent and undisputed affidavits. I <u>did</u> write the FBI about the records provided under the Stipulation. It was required to respond. It has not. The consultancy was for the Civil Division. It has yet to have a word to say about all the questions of material fact in dispute identified and stated in that lengthy report.

35. Each of these matters represents bad faith and wrongful intent. Civil Division asked for the student's memo, referred to above, then ignored it, finding it impossible to confront what I had written to the FBI. Enter the Court required that it be addressed, the falsely sworn Beckwith affidavit was sent - at a time when it was a safe assumption that it would not reach me until after the scheduled calendar call. By accident I did receive it. I proved it was falsely sworn and the Court banished Beckwith, but his falsely sworn affid**wif**t has not been replaced. It is disputed by my affidavits and these disputes have not been addressed or eliminated. (Except that in his testimony as defendant's own expert, Mr. Shea supported me and testified that there is extensive improper withholding.) That the consultancy was no more than another device for stalling this case and wasting me is established by the Department's failure to use it or to respond to it. I also remain defrauded of the compensation I was to have received.

DEFENDANT'S MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES MISSTATES AND MISREPRESENTS

\$6. The Memorandum begins with the deliberate misrepresentation that has been corrected over and over again, only for Department counsel to persist in his misrepresentation. He makes the false pretense that the Court's Order of February 26, 1980, was addressed to <u>all</u> files. In fact, it addressed those captioned MURKIN <u>only</u>.

37. He claims that where no search was made none need be made merely because until now defendant has gotten away with incomplete and inadequate searches and compliance.

38. The Memorandum also argues that, if the Department can pull off a fraud, it is exempt from compliance with the Act when the fraud is proven.

39. One further search directed by the Court is in response to my testimony, based on the FBI's inventories of its field office records pertaining to its campaign to ruin Dr. King. This testimony was not cross-examined. It is not disputed. It also is not recognizable in anything filed by defendant. See Parame yraph, 42-48 and 212-300 killed. 40. The Memorandum states that all the questions I raised are "addressed in detail in the affidavit of Special Agent John N. Phillips." This simply is not true. While Phillips has not so identified himself, he appears to be the FBI's "Weisberg" case agent. He is careful not to utter so gross a misstatement in his

Second Affidavit. He deceives without this kind of lie.

41. One of the questions I raised, reading the Savannah Field Office's description of its own file, reflected deliberage noncompliance with the surveillance Items of my December 23, 1975, request, Items 11 and 12. Over and over again I informed the Court, prior Department counsel and FBI case agents and Mr. Shea that I have knowledge of such surveillances and that no proper search had been made. My affidavits so stating are not refuted. Four of the persons listed in these Items are J. B. Stoner who had been counsel to James Earl Ray and his brother John, and brother Jerry Ray. The FBI's own description of the Savannah file I idantified in my August 15, 1980, testimony states explicitly that it is the repository of pertinent surveillance information. The Phillips affidavit is entirely void on this. It does not refute what I testified to because it cannot. Instead, it avoids the matter and, once again, Department counsel misrepresents.

42. The case record also holds uncontested proof that Oliver Patterson and Richard Geppert, FBI symbolled informants, did provide such surveillance information and Patterson's unconsested statement that the St. Louis FBI office paid him to go to Savannah for such surveillance and for his reporting on it to the Savannah office. (The St. Louis records, along with all Geppert records, remain withheld.)

43. When I testified to the content and pertinence of the Savannah file, Department counsel declined to cross-examine me. Instead, he pulls this newest dirty trick and again missepresents. Neither his unfactual misrepresentations nor the Phillips affidavit mention, leave alone refute, my cited testimony.

44. The need for these misrepresentations and for the continued withholdings is obvious to one knowing the facts: the FBI penetrated the defense of both James Earl Ray and his brother John Ray. Disclosing the withheld pertinent records will be embarrassing and will establish improprieties.

45. My prior affidavits, all entirely undisputed, provide considerable pertinent information, including but not limited to information from FBI records obtained by other means and from the FBI's informant Patterson.

46. A received only partial compliance with my request for the Patterson records, accompanied by a privacy waiver. I filed an appeal. It not only has not been acted upon - after more than two years it remains entirely ignored. The

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plain and simple truth is that Patterson, who did report on the plans of the Ray defense, was a "Top Echelon" informant. Identifying him to the House assassinations committee (over his written objection) required the approval of the FBI's Top Echelon Informant Committee.

47. All Geppert records remain withheld, even after I provided prior Department counsel Betsy Ginsberg with a tape recording of his televised confession to having been an FBI informant. That Geppert was an FBI informance, of course, is public domain and defendant, defendant's counsel and the FBI all know it. This appeal also remains ignored.

48. Many other and entirely uncontested details of surveillance by the FBI and within these Items of my request are in the case record. They are steadfastly ignored by defendant, Department counsel and the appeals office to which I provided copies.

THE STIPULATION IS MISREPRESENTED AND UNCONTESTEDLY WAS VIOLATED

49. The Memorandum also ignores my uncontested affidavits having to do with the Stipulation and **Ché**endant's de**j**oberate violation and nullification of it. On page 2 the Memorandum states that I "must be aware that his (my) request nullifies a provision of the" Stipulation pertaining to "previously processed" records. I am aware of no such thing because it is not true. If Department counsel has no information other than was adduced in the depositions of Mr. Shea and his then assistant, Douglas Mitchell, Department counsel knows it is not true. The thrust of the testimony of both is that other than duplicates were withheld under the provision of the Stipulation that permitted the withholding of <u>exact</u> duplicates <u>only</u> and that the FBI unilaterally rewrote the Stipulation.

50. In one of his reports, which is in the case record and is incorporated in my affidavits, Mr. Shea states that if there is any such question it should be resolved in favor of disclosure, in my favor. My repeated requests remain ignored.

51. Moreover, it is uncontested that in the Kennedy case (C.A. 75-0322), where the same "previously processed" claim was made to withhold field office records, the FBI finally admitted, when forced to an accounting, that more than 3,000 pages claimed to have been previously processed in fact had not been. Allegedly they are not in FBIHQ files. In this instant cause it is claimed that many FBIHQ records are missing and cannot be located.

52. No check was made in this instant cause to determine whether or not

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all records originating in the field offices and sent to FBIHQ do exist at FBIHQ and were provided. Many records reflect the retention of records in various divisions. At the time of the agreement which led to the checking of the Kennedy records and the providing of the identifications of the withheld records claimed to have been "previously processed" at FBIHQ, as well as the thousands of improperly withheld pages, it was my understanding that this defent in the King records also was to be remedied. I have had no written denial of this understanding and I have filed many - again ignored - appeals.

53. It was not until I obtained records of the New Orleans office, in response to my Privacy Act request of it, that I learned that FBIHQ had unilaterally rewritten the Stipulation and directed that only some of the pertinent records be included. Myster several years my affidavit, with the FBI's own records adtached, remains entirely unchallenged.

54. The Stipulation was first violated in September 1977. I notified the FBI immediately, in writing. It has not made even <u>pro forma</u> denial. Instead, there is the repeated misleading and unfactual representations of counsel.

55. Department counsel now protests that complying would require "a new search of all field office records to compare them with what has been released." This is what the Stipulation required and was not done. Had the FBI complied with the Stipulation, this required comparison would have been made at the outset. There would be no such question today. If my appeals and other communications had not been ignored. Without comparison of what was released with what the files hold, it is not possible to know what was "previously processed," and the FBI has never done this. Now its counsel bewails the need to do what the FBI bound itself to do and then did not do.

56. The representation of "a <u>new</u> search of all field office records" is misleading, not accidentally so. The field offices sent to Washingtonlymly some of their MURKIN records that had not been sent earlier. They made no search to comply with the Items of my requests and the Stipulation does not waive the Items of my request. The "new search" would be the <u>first</u> comparison between what was disclosed in FBIHQ records and field office files. It thus would not be "new."

57. The Stipulation is Exhibit A to the Second Phillips affidavit. It states that only after the FBI complies in full with all its provisions, "in

consideration of the foregoing commitment by the FBI and the Department, plaintiff will hold in abeyance filing of a motion to require a <u>Vaughn</u> v. <u>Rosen</u> showing with respect to the foregoing FBI files, including the headquarters files already processed, and further, that upon defendant's performance of these commitments by the specified dates, plaintiff will forego committeely the filing of said motion." Its concluding words are that there is "the clear understanding of both parties that plaintiff has not waived his right to contest specific deletions after the passing of the dates."

58. If the Stipulation had been complied with, as it was <u>not</u>, all I agreed to forego is a <u>Vaughn</u> v. <u>Rosen</u> showing - nothing else.

59. I did contest withholdings and deletions, in writing. In violation of its own understanding of the Stipulation, stated specifically in its own records now in the case record, the its was required to address my communications, to this day they remain ignored.

60. Department counsel has personal knowledge of the requirement that my communications be considered and responded to because the FBI's internal record referred to above, stating it was required to consider and respond to them, was used in the questioning of witnesses he represented at the depositions.

FILES OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL AND THE DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL

61. The Memorandum states that Mr. Shea's affidavit of October 30, 1980, states that no pertinent records were found in the files of the Attorney General and his Deputy. The Shea affidavit does not describe what search was made or who made it. Mr. Shea does not claim to have made any search himself, or even that anyone on his staff made any search. The denial of the existence of any pertinent records, which is the thrust of the Shea affidavit, cannot be correct. Those files should hold, at the very least, copies of the many records sent to hhe Attorney General by the FBI and other components, like the Criminal and Civil Rights Divisions, some of which are in the case record.

62. Item 7 of my December 23, 1975, request is for copies of all communications with named persons. Item 8 seeks records pertaining to the guilty plea. That there are records relevant to each Item is public knowledge, was in the newspapers contemporaneously, and is included in the sworn testimony at the Ray evidentiary hearing of 1973.

63. Postponing until 1980 any search in response to a 1975 request, in itself dubious, is more questionable because of all the many allegations of full and complete compliance. Motions for Summary Judgment also were filed without any of these searches being made. That something may have happened to the Attorney General's and Deputy's files is indicated by the report to me of Mr. Shea's then assistant, Ms. Linda Robinson, who told me that these files could not be found. Now, four years later, the files allegedly are found, allegedly are barren, and the secondhand attentation does not even state who made the search or when it was made.

64. On October 30 Mr. Shea attested that his office had finally begun to process Attorney General and Deputy Attorney General records I requested in 1977. Two requests were filed, based on experience in this litigation, to broaden the earlier requests. It required only three years and the pressure of this litigation to get a response, that "My office is currently processing" records that were located. In the ensuing two and a half months, they have not been provided.

65. "The great majority of the deletions," the Memorandum states at page 3, are under claim to (7)(C) and (D). Of these it states that "Legal support for those deletions can be found in defendant's April 25, 1980, memorandum." That is the same Memorandum disputed so vigorously in my May 14, 1980, affidavit, which has not been refuted or disputed. Whether or not that Memorandum provides an uncontested justification for the uses made of those exemptions, in this instant cause the defendant offered the expert testimony of Mr. Shea, who is defendant's chief FOIA appeals officer. On cross-examination Mr. Shea testified that these claims were mdde excessively and the records should be reprocessed. The case record, my appeals and the consultancy report also reflect the claim to these exemptions to withhold the public domain. My representations are not disputed.

66. These exemptions also are the ones most commonly claimed in the FBI's disclosure of Kennedy assassination records. The records provided in this instant cause were processed by "Operation Onslaught" agents. Their work, as the Court stated, is inferior to the standards followed in subsequent processing. The Kennedy records were processed after the end of "Onslaught." However, pertaining to the FBI's uses of (7)(C) and (D) in these historically important, political

cases, the Associate Attorney General, John Shenefield, wrote my counsel on December 16, 1980, that "these exemptions were used to deny access to significant quantities of substantive information." Contrary to the representations of the Memorandum, the uses of these exemptions, whither or not "a question of law," in this case ise vigorously disputed, including by the defendant's own expert witness, and my refutation of defendant's earlier portion of this Memorandum is undisputed. (M. Shandfull With is Exhibit 2)

CLASSIFICATION - THE SECOND AFFIDAVIT OF SPECIAL AGENT DONALD R. MACDONALD

67. Macdonald provides a lengthy, convoluted, almost entirely irrelevant and a clearly boiler-plated affidavit of 12 pages to justify something he does not state until the end, the (b)(1) claim made for Documents 30A, 34A and 39A. It is the sole justification for (b)(1) claims.

68. Instead of addressing what he represents to be the case with regard to these three records, Macdonald has a long boiler-plated song and dance that almost entirely has no relationship to these records. He adds three pages to this form affidavit, beginning each one with a document number. With regard to his affidavit and Document 30A, he claims no more than that he explains the anticipated hazard pertaining to 30A in his paragraph (IV)(B). With regard to 34A, the same thing is true and the only specific citation to the preceding pages of his affidavit is to paragraph (IV)(E).

69. With regard to BOAymene ORAy specific speation is tabion in his affidavit is to Paragraph (IV)(B).

To f all his many paragraphs Macdonald refers to only two parts of Paragraph (IV). This paragraph, however, has four different lettered parts in addition to these two. Thus, clearly, they and all the other pages and paragraphs serve no purpose and are but an attempt to intimidate and to make what is conclusory and vague and almost entirely irrelevant appear to be of significance.

71. Where Macdonald's affidavit deals with generalities as with Paragraph (IV)(B) and foreign government information, he does not at any point allege that what he states pertains to the one record for which he made a claim under this paragraph. Instead, he catalogues conjectured horrors for over two full pages without at any point tying any of these imaginary catastrophes to the

document in question. He conjectures one of the disasters will be the cessation of cooperation from what he refers to as "the intelligence services of foreign countries," but in this case he really means the police agencies. He does not at any point claim that any of the withheld information has not been made public or that the foreign agencies did not agree to its being made public. In fact, the FBI itself has disclosed to me information it obtained from not fewer than five such foreign police agencies, plus several Italian intelligence agencies. In addition to that, the evidence collected during the investigation was intended for use in the Ray trial that was expected. So there is just no basis for assuming that any of the withheld information in fact is not publicly available.

72. When it comes to a danger from providing "evidence of the existence" of "friendly foreign intelligence and security services" cooperation, there is no basis for presuming that it is not well known. There is no danger from making known the fact of the cooperation because everybody knows that all these agencies cooperate.

73. With regard to these two records, one is supposed to beelieve that in this same paragraph (on page 7) there is danger to cooperation from foreign agencies and that, in addition, there would be "careful analysis of this information by hostile intelligence services." The nature of the information provided in the Ray investigation does not possibly fit this description.

74. Because most of the affidavit itself is entirely irrelevant and is intended only to intimidate, to illustrate the ridiculousness of Macdonald's allegations, I limit myself to Paragraph (IV)(E) which he cites for Document 34A. He says that its disclosure could:

(1) Lead to foreign diplomatic, economic, or military retaliation against the United States;

(2) Identify the target, scope and time frame of intelligence gathering activities of the United States in or about a foreign country, resulting in the curtailment or cessation of these activities;
(3) Enable hostile entities to assess United States intelligence

gathering activities in or about a foreign country and devise countermeasures against these activities; (4) Compromise cooperative foreign sources, jeopardize their safety

and curtail the flow of information from these sources; and (5) Endanger citizens of the United States who might be residing or traveling in the foreign country involved, resulting in at least identifiable damage to the national security.

There just is no possibility of any one of these disasters coming to pass in this case.

75. Also bearing on the boilerplate character of Macdonald's affidavit is Paragraph (V)(A) (pagwar 11-12). He concludes this section by saying, "I have endeavored to maximize the release of information, while at the same time minimize the potential for damage to the national security through disclosure of information." He does not at any point say what he disclosed. He does not claim to have disclosed anything wherehae describes the three records or at any other point in the affidavit.

76. However, with regard to Documents 34A and 39A, the FBI now discloses some information that it had withheld in this case. Examination of it reveals the fact that there was never any basis for ever withholding it in the past and at least some of it was under appeal that was never acted on. There is, however, proof that there was improper withholding. What the Macdonald affidavit proves is that two out of every three classified records have improper withholdings in them, that in two out of three cases national security claim is made when it is inappropriate. (PUCLAMENTAL DEVIAL D

77. Macdonald does not say he reviewed <u>all</u> the withheld classified records and from his affidavit one is not given any reason to believe that he did review them all. The only thing that can be inferred is that he reviewed three records only. However, I did appeal all classification withholdings and asked for a classification review. I do not recall ever having a response. (On page 2 all he says is "Prior to the preparation of this affidavit, I personally reviewed FBI files pertinent to plaintiff's FOIA request." He does not say what files and he does not say all files.)

78. Macdonald refers to classification as of September 11, 1980. These records were withheld in 1976 and 1977.

With regard to Document 34A, Macdonald also claims "identifiable damage" to the national security "as explained in paragraphs (IV)(C) and (D)." (See also below.) Examining them shows they consist of another catalogue of conjectured horrors. He at no point shows how any one of these things could apply to the few passages removed from that one record, a 1976 record pertaining to surveillance on Dr. King a decade earlier.

81. This document is not a foreeign intelligence document. It is a domestic intelligence document.

In short, the Macdonald affidavit is vague, conclusory, does not

identify what he really is talking about in any meaningful way, is intended to intimidate rather than to inform the Court.

82. The Memorandum alleges (page 3) that "A. The FBI Correctly Applied FOIA Exemption 1 to the Sample Documents." Examination of the Macdonald affidavit, however, makes it clear that Exemption 1 was <u>not</u> correctly applied. Orwell could not improve upon Department and FBI practice.

83. Examination of the underlying documents reflects the fact that, of the three samples of claims to (b)(1), it is admitted that at the time of withholding Exemption 1 was <u>not</u> correctly applied. In one case the record bore no classification at all. In another case, Document 34A, there were <u>two</u> withholdings. <u>Neither was</u> <u>ever justified</u>. With improper claim to exemption in two out of three samples, if this percentage is applied to all **hhe** records in question, this sampling actually establishes that in hundreds if not thousands of pages improper claim to (b)(1) was made.

84. Careful examination of the Memorandum and the Macdonald affidavit also discloses that, in an effort to justify improper withholding, false representation is again made by Department counsel.

85. It is alleged (under Argument, page 4) that after two prior classification reviews what was withheld in Document 34A was found still to be properly withheld. Then there was a third classification review, required by the present matter and the possibility of <u>in camera</u> inspection. Allegedly "as a result of events since 1977," three additional paragraphs are disclosed, according to Department counsel.

86. Department counsel does not identify or specify what events. Instead, he cites the second Macdonald affidavit (pages 3-4). Macdonald, however, does not refer to or even mention <u>any</u> "events since 1977." It turns out that this is language of the Executive Order, which requires declassification under certain circumstances. The one last cited is "a declassification event."

87. The reason neither Department counsel nor Macdonald cites or in any way identifies such "event" is because there was none. The allegation of the Memorandum is a complete fabrication. But if there had been any such event in 1977, there is no explanation of withholding until the end of 1980, when the case was in court and when I had filed all those - ignored - appeals.

88. What is now disclosed in Document 34A, after persistent "national security" claim, is the paragraph under "Synopsis" on page 1 and the second and third paragraphs on page 3. (Exhibit 1) There is <u>nothing</u> in these paragraphs that is disclosed as the result of any event. There is nothing in them that was properly subject to (b)(1) classification in 1977. In fact, there is nothing in hhem that is not public domain. In this instancecause the information was disclosed in 1977 as it also was in the <u>Lesar</u> case.

89. What was withheld is what could be embarrassing to the Department and the FBI, the Department's agreement to submit to the FBI, in advance, its Office of Professional Responsibility (OPR) report on its alleged investigation of the FBI's performance in the King assassination investigation and its campaign to ruin Dr. King.

90. Examination of the Macdonald sample shows that in 1977 the record was <u>upgraded</u> from confidential to secret. This is the very opposite of a "declassification event."

91. Department counsel argues that the Court must accord "substantial weight" to the Macdonald affidavit because judges "lack the expertise to second guess" withholdings attributed to "national security" requirements (pages 4-5)/

92. This is to say that the Department calins it is 1) entitled to fabricate a "national security" claim to withhold and 2) that if a court questions this claim, the court is "second guessing" when the "national security" is involved. No disclosure act can survive this interpretation or such practices.

93. These are, however, the Department's and the FBI's norm in my cases, which are political cases and involve embarrassing information. There is tacit acknowledgment of this in Associate Attorney General John Shenefield's December 16, 1980, letter to my counsel (attached as Exhibit 2). In the third paragraph of the first page it is stated that in those JFK assassination records, administrative review "of the 113 pages and 142 individual paragraphs" resulted "in the declassification of 29 entire pages and 36 additional paragraphs." The remaining classified information is to be reviewed and more may be disclosed.

94. This is an appreciable percentage of the classified records in that case and the percentage, applied in this instant cause, entails a considerable volume of withheld records.

95. My ignored appeal for declassification review under E.O. 12065 was not filed in 1980. It was filed several years earlier, at the time that E.O. was promulgated.

CLAIMS TO EXEMPTION 2

96. The Memorandum cites the Phillips affidavit to justify the claim to exemption 2. In this instant cause the Department presented Mr. Shea as its expert witness. He then testified that the claim to (b)(2) in this matter is not justified.

STATEMENT OF MATERIAL FACTS AS TO WHICH DEFENDANT CONTENDS THERE IS NO MATERIAL ISSUE

97. The Department is notccapable of citing the case record accurately and here cites it inaccurately. For example, "1. Plaintiff's information requests in this case are contained in letters dated April 15, 1975, and December 23, 1975." In fact, there were earlier requests, ordered on highest authority to be ignored. The question came up in court and the Court held that my 1969 requests also are pertinent.

98. The purpose of hhe Stipulation is given as "2. ... set up a procedure to expedite the processing of information requested ..." The actual and stated purpose of the Stipulation was to attempt to avoid the need for a <u>Vaughn</u> v. <u>Rosen</u> showing, in return for which the FBI made promises it did not keep. To obtain agreement to the Stipulation, the FBI made misrepresentations, based on which I agreed to the Stipulation. Not until I obtained internal FBI records several years later did I learn that the processing of the field office records provided under the Stipulation and required by the requests was largely completed at the time the FBI misrepresented this to obtain agreement to the Stipulation. We were led to believe that after agreement to the Stipulation these records would be provided. The FBI was insisting that it was not required to search field office files but, knowing better, it had been processing them. My affidavit attesting to this and providing the proofs remains unrefuted - ignored.

99. In the eighth listed material fact as to which it is contended there is no genuine issue, it is pretended that there is no contradiction of the filings of April 25, 1980, "which are hereby incorporated by reference." This is not true. I filed a lengthy, detailed and documented affidavit in refutation. My affidavit remains uncontested and there thus is a perpetuated dispute about material facts.

100. The ninth claim is that there is no dispute that the names of "FBI employees through Section 86 of the FBIHQ MURKIN file" were withheld "to protect from unwarranted invasion of privacy." This is false, it is crass contempt of the Court and it is deliberate and continuing disregard of the Court's June 10, 1976, Order in which the Court held that the claim could not be made to withhold those names. I emphasize that the uncontested Order preceded the processing of the first MURKIN record by several months. The other allegations pertaining to the alleged protection of "individuals who were investigated" and "third parties, not investigated" and of other "third parties **made** confidential sources" are all disputed, were in dispute when this statement was drafted and remain in dispute with the present filings.

101. The eleventh pretended nondispute pertains to the affidavits of four named Department employees, but those affidavits are all cebutted by mine, mine remains uncontested and the Court stated bluntly at the August 15, 1980, calendar call that those affidavits are worthless.

AFFIDAVIT OF ROBERT L. PRITCHETT, BUREAU OF ALCOHOL, TOBOCCO AND FIREARMS

102. This affidavit is so vague and conclusory it does not even provide any identification of the one RTF record involved in this sampling. (It is Document 78A.)

103. A careful reading of the Pritchett affidavit discloses the indirect admission of excessive claim to exemption. As originally disclosed, exemption 7(A) was claimed. That claim is abandoned in this affidavit, which limits the claims to (7)(C) and $(\frac{7}{2})(D)$.

104. Pritchett does not state that a balancing test was made. He does not state that none of the withheld information is not already public.

> AFFIDAVIT OF JANET L. BLIZARD, CIVIL RIGHTS DIVISION

105. Ms. Blizard's affidavit has as an exhibit one Civil Rights Division (CRD) record. However, she does not attach the CRD copy and there is no Department identification of any kind on her exhibit. What she attaches as her exhibit is an FBIHQ MURKIN record, 44-38861-5904. Mx. Blizard's explanation does not include informing the Court that she does not attached Department or CRD record. Instead, she attaches what is <u>not</u> pertinent, an <u>FBI</u> document. She says only, "The Civil

Rights Division's file does not contain a copy of the document as released, to the plaintiff ... " (page 2) It should and she does not account for its absence.

106. Without constituing the record as released to me, Ms. Blizard states that there are two excisions, one on page 11, the other on page 14, both allegedly to prevent "an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy of the named individual." While there is no way of knowing whether or blicard's files hold there knowing whether or not the excisions are justified. They are not. This withheld information was disclosed by the Department and by the FBI and, contrary to the original pretenses of the CRD, by Byron Watson and his mother. The CRD has never responded to my appeal from the withholding of which in formation, which was public domain, first placed there by the Watsons, then by the FBI.

107. Momparing Ms. Blizard's exhibit with the version disclosed by the CRD when it was an FBI referral reveals what is not in accord with Ms. Blizard's affidavit. Under date of June 8, 1978, the FBI forwarded to me this and a number of other records which had been referred to the CRD. There are withholdings on pages 4, 5 and 14 that are not accounted for in Ms. Blizard's affidavit.

108. My present medical and physical limitations preclude my retrieving the records as provided to me by the CRD. However, it is my recollection that I was provided with a copy of this memorandum in holographic form, that there were extensive withholdings, that the withholdings included (b)(5) in the claims to exemption, that I appealed and that, after all these years, my appeal remains ignored.

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AFFIDAVIT OF SA JOHN N. PHILLIPS

109. Phillips identifies himself as a special agent in a supervisory capacity in the FOIPA branch of the FBI. He states that he is "familiar with all aspects" of my request "as it relates to the FBI." He also aays he is "familiar with the various exemptions allowed" under FOIA.

Wher If Phillips is familiar with "all aspects," then he certainly is familiar with two that seem to be pertinent. One is the requests themselves. He does not attest that the FBI has searched all Items in compliance with my request and, in fact, it has not. Two, there is the question of the appeals. If he is familiar with "all aspects," as related to the FBI, then he certainly knows of a full file drawer of documented appeals which include some of the things he goes

into in his affidavit in subsequent paragraphs.

111. He concludes his paragraph (1) with a typical FBI boilerplate in which he says that "all information contained herein is based upon my personal review of the documents at issue in this lawsuit, as well as information furnished to me in my official capacity." What this means is that he may have no personal knowledge at all. If there are those around who can provide him with information, they also can provide first-person affidavits.

112. In his paragraph (3) he identifies Exhibit A as "an itemization of each of the 95 replacement documents" replacing those from the original sampling where there were no withholdings in the original samplings.

113. In paragraph (4) (page 3) he identifies a "tickler" as "a carbon copy." They are not actually carbon copies in all cases. He also says of them that they "are generally destroyed after a brief period of time." Within my experience, they have not been destroyed after a decade. He does not state that they have been destroyed in this particular case. In fact, all have not been.

114. In his description of an abstract (page 3), he contmadects the sworn statements of Special Agent Mamtin Wood earlier in this case. If his description is correct, Wood's is not. If Wood's is correct, his is not.

115. In his paragraph (5) he describes what the FBI processed and retrieved. He states, "In response to plaintiff's FOIA requests for material on the assassination of Dr. King" (here he uses the plural), the FBI limited itself entirely to "non-exempt portions of MURKIN and related files."

116. This clearly states that the FBI did not at any time conduct any search pursuant to my requests. Instead, it provided some MURKIN records only.

117. He does not refer to my appeals, to any responses to my appeals or nonresponses, and where he refers to ticklers in the plural, in fact, I received only parts of two, what was not destroyed of the Long tickler and a few pages of a Lab tickler, both previously claimed not to exist. My appeals do include the identification of other ticklers. We learned of a Lawn tickler on deposition, we requested it and it remains withheld.

118. He represents the total amount of information released to me as of 53,000 pages.

119. In his explanation of withholding of classified information

(paragraph 11, page 6), he depends on the affidavit of SA Donald R. Macdonald which is limited to Documents 30A, 34A and 39A. About these Phillips alleges Macdonald provides "a detailed justification for information withheld which is properly classified." As stated above, this is not so.

120. Macdonald's affidavit does not meet the standards as I understand them set forth in *f* recent appeals court deciaions.

121. In his Paragraph (12) he seeks to jusitfy the claim to (b)(2). Quinlan Shea testified that the FBI should not have used (b)(2) in this case. Instead of abandoning them, and contrary to the defendant's expert witness testimony, the FBI still attempts to justify their inappropriate use of (b)(2).

122. In order to make it appear necessary that (b)(2) be used, Phillips says what is not true, that the arbitrary symbols used in FBI records instead of the names of informants are "of a code of letters and numbers." They are not in any sense a code.

123. It is Phillips' claim that the disclosure of the symbol numbers permits the identification of the informant. This is not true. The FBI has disclosed these symbol numbars. It discloses another arbitrary representation, the file number, which is just as unique, and in no case has it ever alleged this led to the identification of an informer. However, as the case record reflects without contradiction, the FBI disclosed the actual identification of several informants for its own ulterior purposes, one over his written objections.

124. Even if the claim were true, it does not require the use of exemption (b)(2). (2)(D) is designed for this purpose.

125. However, the FBI has a problem in using (7)(D) because it has extended the Act with regard to (7)(D) to include anybody who ever gives any information to the FBI under any circumstances, whether or not a confidential informer, whether or not a unique source, and regardless of the fact that what it withholds is public knowledge - even disclosed oby the FBI itself.

126. In Paragraph (13), titled "Unwarranted Invasion of Personal Privacy," Phillips seeks to justify the FBI's claims to exemption (b)(7)(C).

127. He claims there was a balancing test (pages 7-9) which no doubt explains the FBI's continuing to withhold what is in the public domain, even after my appeals included copies of the public domain. Despite this, he alleges what is

not true, "where it was appagent in the file itself that the information was publicly known, it was released." There is a large number of appeals I have filed where the FBI had released the information it then withheld. Not one of these appeals has been acted on. Two that the Court may recall have to do with Marjorie Fetters and Morris Davis. The FBI itself disclosed that they were informers.

128. Phillips then alleges what also is not true, that "Only where it was felt that the disclosure of this information would announce to the world facts or allegations from which derogatory inferences might be drawn was the information deleted. There are hundreds of instances in which derogatory information was not withheld. I have filed several uncontested and documented affidavits showing that the FBI's practice is arbitrary and inconsistent. Where there are people the FBI did not like, and this includes blacks and women, there was little privacy to protect. As of today, the FBI still withholds improperly records pertaining to Raul Esquivel, the Powell brothers in Atlanta and El Paso (and these are included in Phillips' sampling) and many others that I have appealed.

129. Rather than correcting the records to make them consistent with the prior Wood affidavit or to bring them in accord with the June 1976 Order of the Court, Phillips attempts to justify the withholding of "c. Names of FBI Employees" (pages 9-10). He states these were the names of field agents only but that is not correct. He states, "This was done to protect thmm from possible harassment and to prevent public exposure which would affect their ability to perform their responsibilities," which also is not correct. Moreover, in every case this was done <u>after</u> this Court's Order prohibiting it. He also states what is not true, that beginning after the processing of Section 86 of the FBIHQ MURKIN file and continuing thereafter, "upon a reconsideration of the historical nature of this material, the names of FBI employees were left in the text of the documents." As recently as the Wood affidavit attached to the first part of this Motion and in the inventory of political records on Dr. King, the FBI did not follow this practice and it did withhold FBI names. It did other than Phillips attests in other of my cases, particularly C.A. 78=0322, pertaining to which more appears below.

130. Under "(14) Confidential Source Material" Phillips extends the language of the Avy to have it include anyone who ever provides any information. He falsely represents that public cooperation "is dependent upon the confidential

relationship" which ensues. The FBI regularly asserts this claim for the public domain - even for what it and the Department have placed in the public domain.

131. Where there is an explicit request for or promise of confidentiality, the records reflect it. I have not made an issue of this in this litigation. Because there is this "expressed confidentiality," he has a separate paragraph on this on page 13.

132. His affidavit consists of general statements of claims to exemption rather than specific claims related to specific withholdings and in his Exhibit A attachment Phillips merely cites these generalized claims of his affidavit.

Phillips' Exhibit A - The Samples

133. Document 23A withholdings the name of a postal inspector on the ground that "release of this material would reveal his cooperation with the FBI, and would consequently be an unwarranted invasion of his privacy." The cooperation of postal inspectors with the FBI is a matter of public record and public knowledge. I believe the withheld name is disclosed in other records. The withholding of this name violates the Court's Order of June 10, 1976, issued <u>prior</u> to the processing of any MURKIN records.

134. Document 25A alleges deletions were made "pursuant to exemption (b)(7)(C) to protect the identity and personal identifiers of an individual in whom the FBI had an investigative interest. Release of this information would sonstitute an unwarranted invasion of his privacy." The content of this document is disclosed in other records. As I regall it, the name of the person is Schwartz and he is a lawyer.

135. Document 27A, as is true of most of the samples, is processed to make it consistent with the form in which it was originally disclosed, not to hav3 it processed properly. In this case what is claimed must be withheld is also disclosed. The justification is that a source inside the Klan is withheld under (7)(D) and "(b)(7)(C) was asserted to protect the name and address of an individual who was contacted by the FBI for an interview with negative results." The name of this individual is provided at two different places on the document itself, together with the fact that the FBI has two different files on her, a matter that, in connection with other withholdings, the FBI says it must always withhold in order to protect privacy. The name is Mrs. Eloise Witte. The Headquarters file number

is 157-3302, Cincinnati file number 157-341.

136. In connection with the claim made to withhold the symbol for the Klan informant, the justification is "to protect the symbol number of an established FBI informant who furnished information on a continuing basis. Release of this information could compromise his identity and reveal his cooperation with the FBI." Despite this, on this particular record the informant file number is disclosed. It is a Cincinnati informant and his file number is 170.15. "170" symbolizes "extremist informants."

137. Document 30A is withheld in its entirety as a "report from a foreign government police agency" claimed to be necessary under (b)(1) "to protect information which is currently and properly classified." In this instant cause the FBI has disclosed such information from Mexican, Canadian, British, Italian and Portuguese police agencies. The withholding in the entirety is not necessary if the need to withhold is legitimate. There is no reason to believe that the need to withhold is legitimate because the work of these police agencies was for use in court and was given to the prosecution. (See also under Macdonald affidavit re Documents 30A, 34A and 39A.)

138. In Document 34A (b)(1) only is claimed. On the first page what is withheld elsewhere both as (b)(1) and (b)(7)(C) is disclosed. It is the name of the late Stanley David Levison. He was an associate of Dr. King's and one of Dr. King's lawyers.

139. The claim is that the information withheld is currently and properly classified. This seems improbable in light of the work of the Church committee and what has since become public knowledge about the FBI's vast campaign against Dr. King and its spying on him and his associates.

140. There is no claim of need to protect the identification of an informer.

141. It is now admitted that there was improper withholding in the document as originally provided, in the second paragraph on page 1 and the second and third paragraphs on page 3. What is now disclosed reveals that there was never any basis for those (b)(1) claims.

142. In Document 35A what is withheld in other records is disclosed, the names of people who voluntarily cooperated with the FBI and the names of people in

whom the FBI had an investigative interest.

143. In Document 36A there is a withholding from a note added to a wire service news account. The news account reports the arrest in Mexico of an American hitchhiker as a suspect in the King assassination investigation. (Previously withheld FBI names are restored in this copy.)

144. The withheld name of the man arrested was widely published. It happens not to have been included in this one-sentence wire-service summary. As I recall it, the man was from Baltimore or the Baltimore area. He was arrested in Mexico. Obviously, this kind of information is public and Phillips is stonewalling in an effort to justify the improper withholding.

145. In Document 39A the FBI restores the withheld name of the Reverend James Groppi.

146. I appealed the withholding on the ground that he was a public figure, this his name was public and that the withholding was improper and unnecessary. My appeal was never acted on. Because of the accident of the record having to be produced to the Court, there was no choice but to restore the name.

147. Document 40A also is the subject of one of my ignored appeals. The FBI here provides only the cover page of a report, which is 72=1840-92, plus a page from a transcript of a phone tap, from Nww Orleans file 72-111, identified as "Tape H E 605 HQ page 25." This record pertains to Jim Garrison and both the JFK and King assassinations investigations. It was not provided to me from the New Orleans records in that litigation in the JFK case. The FBI's justification for providing only two pages is that this is the only part containing pertinent information.

148. The exemption claimed for what is withheld on the single page is (b)(7)(C), "to protect the p;rivacy of other individuals." The allegation is that this would "constitute an unwarranted invasion of their personal privacy."

149. Elsewhere the FBI disclosed their names. One is Jim Garrison, the other is "Jack Martin," whose right name is Suggs. The protection is of the FBI, the them.

150. This report is a Hoffa case report. There were allegations that an effort was made to influence the testimony of Edward Grady (Whitey) Partin, who had become an FBI and Department of Justice adjunct and went around wired for sound

to "get" Hoffa. In return for this, Partin was excused for some 26 crimes, at least two of which were capital offenses.

151. The FBI makes an entirely unjustified assumption in assuming that there is no Partin interest in a King assassination investigation. The contrary is true. One of the withholdings from the Washington Field Office records, in violation of the Stipulation, pertains to a report that Partin was responsible for the assassination. (This is the Gaines matter, detailed in an earlier affidavit.)

152. In Document 42A, under claim of need to protect his privacy, the FBI withholds some information about Jimmie Delton Garner. By any standard, Garner is what Mr. Shea calls a "player" in the investigation, a significant person. Garner ran the flophouse in which Ray stayed in Atlanta. The need to protect Garner's privacy did not extend to the FBI's not disclosing that he was discharged as a second lieutenant "under conditions other than honorable."

153. Garner was well-known as a drunk. The FBI took advantage of this to pull a black bag job about which the special agent in charge was ordered to and did file a false affidavit denying it once word got out. My previous and undisputed affidavits provide details.

154. In Document 44A (b)(2) and (b)(7)(D) claims are made "to protect the informant symbol number of an established FBI Informant." However, the FBI again discloses the file number (170-194), which is as much of an identifier as the symbol number.

155. Document 45A is one of a series in which the FBI makes a (b)(7)(C) claim "to insure at least minimal privacy of an individual whose identity was released." It further is claimed that release of what is withheld would constitute an "unwarranted invasion of personal privacy."

156. What is not withheld is defamatory and personal. What is withheld is merely an Army serial number. Although it is withheld in other cases, here the place of employment and even the workshift is disclosed. The identification of the man's family, including that a son is in a reform school as a result of a burglary, is disclosed. That another man who has no connection with the investigation or the crime is a drunk also is disclosed. The FBI's pretended concern for "minimal" privacy did not prompt it to withhold the unwupported and obviously untruthful

allegation against an innocent clergyman: "... suspected Rev. SMITH of operating a conspiracy or syndicate type organization and would hide out anybody who came to the home who was being sought by the law."

157. Document 52A (Chicago 44-1114-Sub D 21) is identified as an exhibit envelope said to have been released with no deletions. It held photographs that were "withheld pursuant to exemption (b)(7)(C)" to avoid what "would result in an unwarranted invasion of" Jerry Ray's privacy.

158. Clearly, Jerry Ray is a public figure in this case. He and the FBI both saw to that. Moreover, the pictures are disclosed by the FBI, to me and in this case. This is simply another instance of the FBI blindly insisting that the original processing was correct, without regard to whether or not it was.

159. Document 53A (CG44-1114-Sub D-52) is an exhibit envelope containing two photographs, apparently the same two photographs as in Document 52A. "A deletion was made on the exhibit envelope pursuant to exemption (b)(7)(D) to protect the source who provided the photographs to the FBI." Here again the FBI blindly reaches for a convenient lie to deceive and mislead the Court, to try to justify an improper withholding. It disclosed the source in this case. She is Marjorie Fetters. This also is the subject of one of the countless ignored appeals. Marjorie Fetters is the woman to whom Jerry Ray sent these two pictures. With regard to Document 53A, the claim does not extend to the withholding of the pictures, only to the withholding of the name of the person who provided them. (This and the other field office records in the sampling are Stipulation records. The FBI was to respond to these appeals under the Stipulation but it has not. This is one of its persisting violations of the Stipulation.)

160. Document 60A is an exhibit envelope "which contains one photograph of James Owens." The FBI says the envelope was released but "the photograph was withheld ... to protect against an unwarranted invasion of the privacy of" Owens. In this particular version the photograph was withheld. However, the FBI did disclose Owens' photograph. Here again Phillips blindly asserts a claim, without regard for truth, rather than admit and correct error.

161. Document 63A is withheld in its entirety under (b)(7)(D)aand (D) "to protect the identity and personal information regarding an individual who was able to furnish the FBI information regarding James Earl Ray inasmuch as he had

been incarcerated with Ray at Leavenworth Penigentiary. Release of this document would not only constitute an unwarranted invasion of his privacy, but would also make public material that could be traced to this source." The record is a sixpage FD 302. Certainly, even if all of these representations are true, which they are not, some of six pages is reasonably segregable. However, if one compares this with Document 75A, one finds the FBI is quite inconsistent. Deletions were made in Document 75A under (b)(7)(C) and (D), but in it the source of the information is included in Phillips' explanation, "an individual who had been incarcerated with James Earl Ray at Missouri State Penitentiary and furnished information regarding Mr. Ray." Here the only thing that is withheld is the name.

162. Document 74A is another case of the FBI disclosing names and other personal information about people and now claiming, to justify the withholding, that it is in order to afford "minimal privacy"." It here withholds the number of a Memphis policeman, an FBI number and an Air Force number. These are the kinds of information that even within this sampling the FBI does disclose.

163. Document 76A is similar in that each of the men who is identified by name is identified as having a cfiminal record. What is withheld in each case is the number. The third one on this list, Thomas Albert Tarrants, III, has his FBI number withheld although the FBI itself published it when he was wanted. (Tarrants also is the subject of an appeal that has not been acted on.)

164. Document 78A is the ATF record that is the subject of the Pritchett affidavit (see under Pritchett affidavit). **Intehe** FBI part of this record what the FBI withholds elsewhere is not withheld. This includes identification and the names of the persons who provided the FBI with information. The information pertains to a paramilitary extremist group, the Minutemen. The Minutemen are capable of retalizing.

165. Document 87A has a boilerplate claim made to justify the withholding of numbers: "to withholdipersonal identifying numbers of individuals whose names were released as being members of the Invaders organization. This was done to protect against an unwarranted invasion of their privacy."

166. If there is anything examination of the disclosed Invaders records leaves without doubt, it is that the FBI could not have cared less about the rights to privacy of "members" of the Invaders, especially women who were not members.

(According to the disclosed FBI records, there were no memberships. The Invaders were a loose group without any formal structure.) Where the FBI could associate work with the COMEN WITH THE Invaders, whether the women were white or black, the FBI defamed them. This is particularly true with regard to details of their personal lives. This is set forth, with copies of the defamatory records, in a number of my affidavits that remain undisputed.

167. Once again the FBI, rather than cleaning up improper processing of the past, seeks to bulldoze by making up what is not true to justify what it has done. Here it claims need to withhold numbers to give some privacy to people, even though with regard to each of these people the FBI alleges he or she is a criminal. Documents 79A and 80A disclose the kind of information that the FBI here claims it may not disclose in the interest of privacy. These other records include local police numbers and FBI numbers. The FBI did disclose them in spite of what Phillips here claims.

168. The actuality is that the FBI was engaged in an enormous domestic intelligence operation. It sought, without basis but in pursuit of political preconceptions cmming from headquarters, to create the fiction of an enormous network of what it called black militant hate groups, all with the same allegedly violent objectives. In the case of Memphis and the Invaders, it sought primarily to connect them with the SNCC, Black Panthers and other such black groups. For example, in Document 90A, the opening paragraph refers to two Invaders as "being black power leaders of a SNCC-oriented group." This means nothing except that the FBI wants to connect the Invaders with the SNCC.

169. Document 90A pertains to the Memphis Sanitation Workers Strike. The FBI claims that it used (7)(C) and (D) to protect the source and separately (7)(C) "to withhold the names of individuals listed in the copy count at the bottom of the first page on whom the FBI had instituted an investigation and subsequently opened a file. Release of this information would result in an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy."

170. At the bottom of the first page three names after three numbers are obliterated. Two of the numbers do not symbolize what the FBI in its justification represents they symbolize. These are 170-114 and 170-1024. "170" means "extremist informants." (The third is 157-957, "157" meaning both extremist matters and civil unrest.)

171. In Invaders and Sanitation Workers (also Stipulation) records the FBI has disclosed more than a hundred names of persons included in what Phillips calls its "copy count." Some records required a second page for listing them all. It is more than a copy count. It indicates where duplicate filings are to be made.

172. Document 99A consists of cards from the so-called prosecutorial index. The FBI withholds what it regularly disclosed, "information regarding two of James Earl Ray's fellow inmates, the release of which would constitute an unwarranted invasion of privacy." In fact, elsewhere on this same card the names of two other associates of Ray in the prison are disclosed, as they also are on the next card.

173. The card iteelf is in the name of Julius Mausica Black. He is described as an inmate of the Missouri pen and "worker in bakery while Ray was bakery worker." The identical information is disclosed about Black that the FBI withholds about the two others and also withholds in illustrations cited above.

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174. There are several items pertaining to Sue Harris (Flikeid) in these index cards. The FBI withholds allegedly to protect her privacy and to, as it sometimes claims to withhold information that could be embarrassing to her. It is difficult, if not impossible, for the FBI to disclose more than it has that could be embarrassing to Susan Harris. The first of these cards discloses the fact that she was living with a man who was not her husband and where they were living. Throughout a long series of disclosed records, she is included in those relating to the investigation of two women whose names appeared on a scrap of a Kleenex box that was found in James Earl Ray's car.

175. Document 111A is described as "(CIVIL RIGHTS UNIT TICKLERS)." Actually, only part of one CRU tickler was disclosed. To make it appear otherwise, the FBI pretends that each separate file folder is a separate tickler, which is not true. Here there are withholdings "pursuant to (b)(7)(C) and (b)(7)(D) used in conjunction with each other to protect the identities of two individuals who furnished information to the FBI regarding a possible conspiracy to kill Dr. King. So that as much information as possible could be released regarding the alleged conspiracy, the informant's name and personal identifiers, along with material which would allow this information to be traced back to him was deleted." This is worse than utter nonsense. It is sworn-to untruthfulness, deliberate misrepre-

sentation and a deliberate effort to mislead the Court. This clearly refers to the Powell brothers. The whole thing is public. The FBI disclosed their names to me. It also turned the records over to the House assassins committee, which went ape and had one of the Powells indicted because he was afraid. In fact, the committee went so public with this information that when it released sketches of the alleged co-conspirator, "Ralph," was included among them. If only from me the FBI should have been aware because this is the subject of another of my ignored appeals. If the FBI were proceeding in good faith, it would reprocess these kinds of improper withholdings, disclosing what does not have to be withheld and cannot properly be withheld. Instead, it fights tooth and mail to impede and stonewall as much as possible - to withhold what <u>it</u> made public domain.

176. Document 112A is described as Civil Rights Unit Ticklers and is part of the same series of records relating to the Powells. Here the FBI claims "Deletions were made in this document pursuant to examption (b)(7)(C) to protect the name and personal identifiers of an individual who was allegedly involved in a conspiracy to murder Dr. King." In this case the record, which, in this version, has no FBI file number, identifies the subjects as two brothers and also identifies the other suspect as "Ralph."

177. Document 129A is an abstract in which the street address is withheld but the name of the person is not. The explanation is that the (b)(7)(C) withholding was "to extend at least minimal privacy protection, inasmuch as his name was released." With the name released, there is no privacy protection in withholding the address because it appears in such other standard sources as telephone books and city directories. However, the FBI has disclosed street addresses with some regularity. In processing the abstracts, the FBI was careful to duplicate the imppoper withholding in the underlying records, as I correctly informed the Court it would. This is the only reason processing the abstracts took so long.

178. Document 145A is the abstract for Serial 6022. The withholding of information is under claim to (b)(7)(C), "to protect the identity of an individual who had information concerning an alleged conspiracy to assassinate Dr. King, as well as the identities of this individual's associates, all of whom the FBI were seeking for interview." This appears to be another one of the records pertaining to the Powerl brothers and "Ralph."

SECOND PHILLIPS AFFIDAVIT

179. In his second affidavit Phillips pretends to rebut the allegations of my August's August 20, 1980, Memorandum to the Court and the August 27 Notice of Clarification. Those come from my August 15 testimony, which was based on my review of some 400 pages of long-withheld field office inventories of the FBI's extensive campaigns against Dr. King and his associates and records pertaining to his assassination. However, rather than rebutting what I alleged, Phillips evades where he does not actually confirm the withholding and the intent to withhold. He includes details that support my allegation that I was deceived and misled into agreeing to the Stipulation and of violation of the Stipulation.

180. There is no way of knowing what of Phillips' affirmations is of his own knowledge and what is his version of what others told him. He says he depends on "information provided to me." He also states that he is completely familiar with this case as it relates to the FBI and that he has reviewed all the records and correspondence. This either is not correct or Phillips is untruthful because he swears to what is contradicted by those records and that correspondence.

181. If he is familiar with the records, correspondence and all aspects as related to the FBI, then he is aware of the allegations in my many affidavits. Several of them pertain to matters included in his affidavit. Those affidavits have not been refuted, even addressed. They are undisputed. If he has read the correspondence, then he is aware of the fact that I raised numerous questions with the FBI, some pertinent to the subject matter of his affidavit, and that the FBI did not respond to them, as it acknowledges it was required to do under the Stipulation. Phillips also does not respond to them.

182. In his Paragraphs 3, 4, 5, 6 and 11 in particular and elsewhere, Phillips provides evidence of hee deception practiced on me to entice me to agree to the Stipulation and of the violation of that Stipulation by the FBI.

183. In stating (Paragraph 3) that "This Stipulation, inter alia, provided that certain files from eight field offices would be made available to the plaintiff, what Phillips confirms is that I was led to believe that those records would be made available to me without further litigation if I agreed to the Stipulation. This is what was represented to me to get me to agree to the Stipulation and the waiving of a Vaughn showing.

184. He establishes that this was deception in his Paragraphs 4 and 11, in which he confirms my undisputed prior affidavit on that matter by stating that in fact the processing of field office files began well before the Stipulation (Paragraph 4) and by dating the beginning of the Memphis records processing at July 7, 1977 (Paragraph 11). He also states (Paragraph &(D) that all the Memphis records were released to me on September 29, 1977. This confirms the deliberateness of the violation of hhe Stipulation, which required that in accord with prior practice records be provided to me as processed in easily manageable segments. (Practice had been to average about 400 pages per release. This permitted careful examination.) As my uncontested prior affidavits state, records processed in July and August @ere withheld until the end of September, then shipped in a single package so large I could not handle it. I received it the last day permitted by the Stipulation. Some of these records, a considerable portion of them, were actually processed prior to the agreement to the Stipulation. All were withheld until the pegeltotal was about 6,000 pages.

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185. In Paragraphs 3 and 5 he confirms another and deliberate violation of the Stipulation, one I called to the attention of the Court and the defendant in the affidavit I provided after receiving records responsive to my Privacy Act request from the New Orleans office. I then learned of the unauthorized revision of the Stipulation by FBIHQ. Among the changes not agreed to is modification of the description of the records of which copies need not be made. The Stipulation, as quoted in Paragraph 3, says "duplicates of documents already processed at headquarters" need not be copied but that what was missing at headquarters would be provided, "as well as copies with notations." This clearly states any notation. However, FBIHQ, without consulting me and without authorization, altered this, as Phillips, apparently without so intending, acknowledges at the end of Paragraph 5, where he states that the various field offices did not send to FBIHQ for processing what they believed they had "sent to FBIHQ or the Memphis Field Office" and that, instead of sending documents with any notation, they sent only those with what they regarded as "containing substantive notations." The word "substantive" does not appear in the Stipulation. This was never discussed with me, and from the disagreements that existed between the FBI and me by the time of the Stipulation, I would never agree to allow the FBI to decide for me what I regard as "substantive."

186. Phillips' quotation of the Stipulation includes other provisions the FBI violated. It was not required to process <u>exact</u> "duplicates or documents already processed at headquarters." This required that there be a check and comparison, because without checking and comparing there is no way of knowing whether any document is a duplicate or whether it holds a notation or whether it was actually processed <u>and provided</u> from FBIHQ. However, the FBI never made any any such comparison or check of any kind. It assumed that there were not notations and that what the field offices believed had been sent to FBIHQ not only had been sent but had been received, had been preserved, had been processed and had been released to me. The similar practice in the case of the assassination of President Kennedy, when the FBI was finally forced to prove its assumptions, resulted in its admission that some 3,000 pages it assumed had been received at HQ and processed and disclosed to me in fact could not be found at HW and had not been provided to me. With that as a percentage, in this case one would expect about 1,500 pages not to bave been provided.

187. That the FBI did not check and decided to withhold records on the basis of the belief that they had been "sent to BBIHQ" is stated in Phillips' Paragraphs 4 and 5 and elsewhere.

188. Phillips adds additional conjecture and evasiveness in Parageaph 6, where he acknowledges that "Several items listed in plaintiff's Memorandum (of August 20, 1980) ... were not provided to plaintiff from the respective field office files, because they were made available or would be made available ... through release of FBIHQ and/or Memphis Field Office records." There was no check to determine whether or not these records were duplicates and were provided.

189. That the FBI was well aware of the fact that its FBIHQ MURKIN file was not complete and intact is reflected by other language Phillips quotes from the Stipulation. It required that "attachments that are missing from headquarters documents will be processed and included if found in field office files." This clearly reflects the fact that many records are missing from FBIHQ files. It also reflects the need to make a careful check of the field office files to determine whether they hold duplicates of any of the many missing FBIHQ documents.

190. It is obvious that the Stipulation envisioned a careful check and comparison and that the language of the Stipulation required this. It is equally

obvious that neither Phillips nor anyone else attests to any such check and comparison. To the contrary, Phillips provides tacit admission that the FBI merely assumed and guessed what should have been provided from FBIHQ records. There is no way that Phillips or anyone else can attest that such records were provided without the check and comparison that was never made. There thus is no way that Phillips can attest that any of the records involved in my testimony of August 15, 1980, or subsequent Memorandum were actually provided without this check and comparison. The fact is that, as my uncontested prior affidavits reflect, field office inventories list records not provided by either FBIHQ or the field offices. This is particularly true of the first of the field offices Phillips lists, Atlanta (Paragraph 8). I have provided copies of records reflecting the fact that FBIHQ did not have copies of records inventoried by Atlanta and that Atlanta did not include them in the records it sent to FBIHQ for processing and release.

191. The inventories of several field offices, including Atlanta, list separate files of cost data. This is significant information that is not otherwise available. While it is true that scattered throughout some 53,000 pages there are cost data records, it also is true that as a practical matter these are not retrievable, even if they are complete as released. Phillips merely assumes that, because he believes all such information was sent to Memphis, all of it was released to me. He does not know and he has no way of knowing. Because of the importance of this cost data, in 1977 I asked the FBI for its recapitulation of it, which is not what I received. It has not been provided. It is obvious that, even if presumed to be duplicative, it is less troublesome and less costly to merely xerox a small file that requires no searching and is not within any exemption than to contest or litigate the issue.

192. With regard to the Memphis office, there is no basis for assuming that all pertinent records that reached it were provided to me. The case record and my extensive appeals identify important records known to have existed that remain withheld and are not accounted for in any way. This is stated in my affidavits and is undisputed. It is included in my appeals that are ignored.

193. As with all offices, with regard to hhe inventoried records of the Chicago office (Paragraph 9), Phillips assumes that, because he believes they all

should have been sent to FBIHQ, all were provided to me from FBIHQ records. He has no way of knowing. Under hhe Stipulation I was to have received all records pertaining to the various members of the Ray family. (There is also a separate Item of the request seeking all records of any surveillance on any Ray.) I was assured that because they came from St. Louis all records would be provided from the St. Louis records. This turned out to be false. All records were not provided from St. Louis files. My prior affidavits identify FBI records that were and remain withheld from me. I know of those records and saw copies because they were provided to others, including Rays. I provided a separate affidavit after I had access to some of the extensive disclosures made to Jerry Ray, meaning to Mark Lane, who paid for those records with his check. These include records of surveillance on Jerry Ray and others not provided to me from any source. Jerry lived in Chicago. I learned from him of contacts with the FBI that are not reflected in any of the records provided to me from either Chicago or FBIHQ files.

194. In what Phillips states with regard to my informing the Court of pertinent Memphis records not provided, there is acknowledgment of noncompliance and self-exposure of the intendedly incomplete searches. It amounts to additional acknowledgment of my having been deceived and misled in the Stipulation. It appears that he did not expect either the Court or me to read his affidwvit.

195. Two files listed in the inventory of records ordered by FBIHQ on December 9, 1975, his exhibit D, are Memphis files 100-4105 and 149-121. The first is described in that inventory (Paragraph 11) as a file on Dr. King whose contents "includes activities in Memphis area March and April." The second is of a "threat to bomb plane on which King would return to Memphis." Both are clearly pertinent in this instant cause and clearly should have been provided. Phillips' explanation of why therefore not provided is not that a search was made for them or that they did not surface in any search or that they are not pertinent but that a subsequent "review of the four applicable Memphis index cards (copies of which are attached as Exhibit E) does not indicate that the two above files would have been responsive to the above instructions from FBIHQ of July 7, 1977, which were established pursuant to the Stipulation."

196. Phillips is wise enough not to try to explain the impossible. Instead, he assumes that he would not be challenged or that the FBI would continue

to get away with anything so he does not explain how the "instructions from FBIHQ of July 7, 1977" could have been "established pursuant to the Stipulation," which was not until a month later. Obviously, this cannot be true.

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197. The instructions of July 7 were prior to the Stipulation, which was not agreed to nntil August 5. However, pursuant to those July 7 instructions Memphis did forward records. <u>Prior</u> to the Stipulation many if not most had already been processed. Those later described as "previously proceesed" were withheld and these withholdings had to be accommodated in the Stipulation because without agreement or justification most of the records had already been denied. In violation of the later Stipulation, all were withheld until the end of September. (My earlier affidavit details the dates of processing.)

198. Phillips does not deny that from the descriptions of the 1975 inventories these two files are pertinent in this instant cause. Instead, he states they were withheld and not provided because they were not interpreted as within FEEHQ's instructions controlling what would and would not be provided to me in this instant cause. This raises the most substantial questions about those instructions and what was and was not provided. It also confirms my allegations of noncompliance and intended noncompliance. Even today those records are still withheld.

199. Examination of Phillips" Exhibit E, those Memphis index cards, raises this same question about the nature of the searches (none has yet been attested to in this cause) and the withholding of pertinent records. All four index cards itemize information clearly having to do with assassinating Dr. King. They have such entries as "Plot to assassinate," "Assassination of," and "Threat to assassinate."

200. Bearing on the search made for Phillips and what can be depended on when only index cards of the FBI's selection are provided is the fact that what the Memphis office included in its own inventory and description of those files is not included on any of the index cards Phillips provides. In addition, those cards do include items that should have been provided in the 1975 inventory of political records and were not. Phillips' own interpretation of the 1975 inventory instructions is "all material concerning King." (His emphasis) There is an index card entry reading, "Press conference of Director J. Edgar Hoover with reference to Martin

Luther King." Apparently, as the politically wise field offices search for FBIHQ, this is not within "all materials concerning King."

201. Phillips does not explain away the failure to provide the two files of which I first learned from the 1975 inventories that the FBI resisted providing for two years after they were promised to me. He also does not provide any pertinent records from them or any other files.

202. With regard to the records of the New Orleans office (Paragraph 12), Phillips repeats my quotation of the itemization it provided in 1975 for its file 157-10673, including what I noted, "six bulky exhibits" in addition to the main file and subfiles. Phillips contents himself with the unsupported claim that "this is incorrect." His explanation and proof is "inasmuch as there are neither six items in the bulky section nor six bulky exhibits." He does not state how he knows that the New Orleans office could or would make an inventory for FBIHQ and make so serious a mistake or not correct it. He continues, "Actually, there are two bulky exhibits, one containing nine items from the hotel room of a James Earl Ray look-alike (157-100673-1B1) and the other (157=100673-1B2) containing toll records for five telephone numbers." He proceeds further to state that "'Bulky sheets' for these two exhibits (copies of which are attached hereto as Exhibit F) were provided to plaintiff ..." From this, by Phillips' own accounting, in 1B1 there are nine items, however many pages there may be per item, and five fifferent sets of records in 1B2.

203. But if one examines Phillips' Exhibit F, which as provided to me is only two worksheets, what was disclosed to me consists of a total of only two pages, one for each of these Subs - hardly "bulky" and hardly what Phillips acknowledges exists. This is separate from his elimination of the four other bulkies New Orleans said it had when it made this inventory in 1975.

204. No exemptions are claimed on Exhibit F worksheets and they do not indicate any pages are withheld. Clearly, this is a fraudulent worksheet. It falsely alleges compliance whereas Philkips proves there is noncompliance. He also proves that he knows of the existence of pertinent New Orleans records not provided and still does not either provide them or claim exemption for them.

205. New Orleans, I emphasize, is the office from whose records on me I learned that FBIHQ sent excessively restrictive directions under the Stipulation,

employing language not included in the Stipulation and not provided for in it. FBIHQ also provided the affidavit to be submitted attesting to compliance, with the specific instruction that it need not be a first-person affidavit.

206. In Paragraph 14 Phillips goes into a confusing song-and-dance routine about the separate Washington office of whose existence I knew prior to the belated providing of the 1975 inventories, which include it. I did not allege that this second Washington office is "a 'resident agency'" as Phillips tries to suggest, and I did not believe there was one because the territory of the Washington Field Office is restricted to the city of Washington. All residencies of which I know are located in cities other than that in which the field office is located.

207. I attach as Exhibit 3 a copy of an FBI record I obtained outside of this litigation. It is a list of the abbreviations of the various FBI offices. There is only one city for which there are two entries, of different abbreviations, Washington. It is WA for one office and WFO for the other office. WFO is the usual abbreviation for Washington Field Office.

208. I see nothing in the Phillips explanation or his Exhibit G to explain this away or to explain away the files inventories as WF, not WA, in addition to WFO. In all the instances in his Exhibit G, some office other than Washington is the Office of Origin (00) and thus his explanation also is not pertinent because this is the normal situation and does not require an "auxiliary office" to service the Office of Origin.

209. Phillips' Exhibit G does perpetuate an improper and unjustifiable withholding. He withholds only to be consistent with the unrectified improper withholding in the records as originally disclosed. The matter is public domain, if only because it is, without expurgation, in the case record. In this Phillips underscores continuing withholding in violation of the Stipulation.

210. The names withheld under fictitious claims to (7)(C) and (D) are Gaines and Harris. Gaines is neither a confidential source nor an only source. The Phillips exhibit states clearly that the Washington Field Office has a tape recording it withholds and continues to withhold after all I have provided on appeal and in court. This is a tape recording of the drunken confession of a man who represents that he was an official of the union whose strike Dr. King weat to

Memphis to support. He drinks to excess because he had advance knowledge of the assassination. What can account for the various FBI contrivances for improper withholding is his pointing an accusing finger at one who served the Department and FBI in their efforts to get Jimmy Hoffa.

211. The FBI's explanation for withholding this tape is ridiculous, that a tape is not a record. However, under date of December 3, 1980, the FBI sent me a tape in another case, acknowledgment that tapes are records. That letter bears Phillips' initials.

212. Phillips is cute when he gets to Savannah (Paragraph 15). He never at any point comes into contact with reality. He at no time addresses what I testified to when Department counsel declined to cross-examine me. He makes no reference to and flies into the face of the FBI's own inventories. The Court placed my summary of them in the record. It is apparent that his intent is to deceive, mislead, misrepresent and avoid the actual purpose for which he supposedly prepared his affidavit - facing the question of whether or not pertinent records remain withheld.

213. As stated above, there are surveillance Items of the requests. No proper search has been attested to. None has been made. In the 1975 inventory it is clear that the field offices have a formula for hiding surveillance information in unlikely places, like the "66" or "administrative matters" file, known as "admat." Ms. Fruitt was cross-examined about this at the August 15 calendar call. Savannah is one of the field offices that Iisted admat files holding surveillance information. Pretendedly, Phillips looked into the Savannah situation.

214. Two of the persons listed in my surveillance Items are J. B. Stoner, who was counsel to all the Ray brothers at one time or another, and Jerry Ray.

215. Phillips makes no reference to my testimony, the Savannah description of its files or the surveillance Item of the request. He limits himself to "documents relating to the subject matter," which to the FBI means only MURKIN records, despite the fact that MURKIN is not mentioned in the requests. He accounts for 14 records in 44-1768. He is suggesting but is careful not to state that there are <u>only</u> 14 in that file. At no point does he refer to any surveillance records. He thus completely evades all that is relevant. He also does not deny that there are surveillance records on Stoner. He cannot because the Savannah office inventory

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accounts for some of them. He makes no reference to any "66" files.

216. The Savannah inventory describes the one file to which Phillips refers, 44-1768, not as having only 14 documents but as of three volumes, consisting of 315 Serials. The inventory description includes the statmment that this file has "some information concerning J. B. Stoner's defense of subject as his attomney and contacts with subject's bothber Jerry Ray." This description precisely fits information to have been provided to me.

217. There is no way of knowing what the Savannah files really hold because it has separate Stoner and Ray files and its inventory descriptions and listings were so inadequate FBIHQ had to phone it on December 15 to demand more. Thereafter, Savannah accounted for an "admat" file. This supplement states that all kinds of coverage, including electronic and live informant, is included in admat files. No admat file has been searched in this instant case although there are Items of the request requiring it and I filed appeals seeking it.

218. If Phillips had set out with the purpose of deceiving, misleading and misrepresenting to the Court, he could hardly have made a better effort.

219. Department counsel is well aware of the details of these Savannah and other matters. Ultimately, he provided hhe inventories - or at least claimed to. He was present at that calendar call. He presented Ms. Connie Fruitt as a witness in an unsuccessful effort to refute what I presented from the December 1975 field office inventories. He tried to prevent her cross-examination about some of these matters. He has the transcript available to refresh his recollection. And, according to the policy statement issued with some ostentation by Attorney General Bell, he is required to know that what he files is truthful and accurate, as is required of him by the Federal Rules.

220. Phillips concludes his affidavit with what he presents as a courtesy: "For plaintiff's assistance in locating the previously released items from the materials provided to him in connection with this litigation, the following is an itemization of hee documents reviewed by me in connection with these Savannah Field Office materials." In his listing Phillips is careful to omit the one means by which they can be located, lost as they are in the mass of 53,000 pages - their serial numbers. Providing a list by date is utterly meaningless, as the FBI acknowledged in the JFK case by providing a list of cross-references so that those

records withheld as previously processed could be identified and located.

221. Throughout there is the permeating false pretense that the only pertinent records are those called MURKIN.

222. In almost all particulars Phillips' affidavit is contradicted by my earlier affidavits and testimony.

223. As my previous affidavits and testimony do, the foregoing paragraphs reflect why this long case is still before the Court. The only choice permitted by the defendant, after five years, is accepting noncompliance and violation of the Act.

224. Early in this long case it became apparent to me that the FBI was determined to stonewall and to resist compliance to the degree possible. I made any number of efforts to work out problems. Most were contrived by defendant. I met with the FBI and its in-house counsel and then AUSA John Dugan. I provided lengthy and detailed communications, I provided copies of FBI records and other proofs indicating the existence of pertinent records not provided and illustrating improper withholdings. I offered a consolidated index of the books on the subject. I offered my own card file index of the transcripts of the two weeks of the evidentiary hearing inffederal district court in Memphis. Both were refused. The only purpose served by this refusal was to enable the FBI to withhold the public domain, which it did extensively. I provided xeroxes to prove the public domain was withheld but not one of those many improper withholdings had been remedied. I tried to work out compromises so that this case could come to an acceptable end. I did not expect complete compliance, which the FBI will not under any circumstances provide. I sought reasonable compliance. The FBI and its counsel rebuffed every effort. It permitted only a Hobbon's choice, between accepting noncompliance and resisting its efforts and contesting so that there could be something closer to reasonable compliance. It is the Department, the FBI and stonewalling, misrepresenting counsel who caused the prolongation of this case and who persist, as with their present filings, in prolonging it still more.

225. Except when there was no alternative, the FBI and its counsel ignored both the Court's directives, as with the June 10, 1976, Order prohibiting the withholding of the names of public officials performing public responsibilities, and its requests, like having Mr. Shea put in charge. The Court solicited the

cooperation of the parties with Mr. Shea. However, despite assuring the Court that she would report the Court's desires, when we left the courtroom Department counsel refused to go to Mr. Shea's office with my counsel and me. At no time since has any Department counsel agreed to meet with Mr. Shea and my counsel and me. On my part, I did as the Court indicated desiring. I extended to Mr. Shea unstinted cooperation, as he has attested in his testimony and reports. I provided him with countless documented appeals to assist him, at **ext**raordinary cost in time and effort. I met with him and his staff whenever they desired it.

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226. Mhat Mr. Shea has not acted on these appeals and has not implemented his reports indicates that the Department has immobilized him in this matter. However, while I have many disagreements with Mr. Shea and do not agree with much in the Schenefield letter of December 16, 1980, for which he is responsible, I believe he can bring about a reasonable end to this officially stonewalled case. But for him to be able to do this he must be ordered by the Court, must have independence, and the Department and the FBI must accept that, as I also would.

227. If he agrees to listen to both parties and then is empowered to see to it that what he believes should be done is done, Mr. Shea should be able to bring this tortured and costly case to something approximating a reasonable end.

228. However, the Department also sees to it that he is seriously understaffed. In order to be able to perform this duty, he would require additional staffing. The only reason he does not have an adequate staff is because the Department and the FBI and all who fear it do not want him to be acting on appeals from what they know to be improper withholdings. In order for him to complete the administrative appeals in my JFK case, I had to agree to his suspending action on many other appeals that were years past their place in any list based on the time of filing.

229. If he is adequately staffed, empowered to act and assured independence, I will be bound by his decisions if defendant is, even though he is defendant's employee.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT DOCUMENTS 25A and 27A

230. As I state and explain at the beginning of this affidavit, the kinds of searches I have made in the past are now impossible for me because of my condition and lack of help. To fully and adequately inform the Court, for my

affidavit pertaining to the Department's April 25, 1980, Motion I searched the records disclosed in the Lesar case by the Office of Professional Responsibility (OPR). When I completed the draft of this affidavit and while my wife was retyping it, I phoned Mr. Lesar about several of these sample records, two that I indicated are familiar and withhold whattthe FBI itself disclosed. His file of the OPR summaries of the FBIHQ MURKIN records reveals that the OPR also disclosed what the FBI first disclosed and now withholds and the obdurate Phillips swears must be withheld. Document 25A is Serial 4619. Exactly as I believed (Paragraph 134 above), the withheld name is that of Frederick John Schwartz. The information the FBI disclosed about him, along with his name, is defamatory. In Document 27A, Serial 4958, the name is as I state above (Paragraph 135), that of Eloise Witte. In these instances, bitter-ender, swear-to-anything Phillips insists under oath that those disclosed names must be withheld. In effect, he also swears that they had not been disclosed. With such affiants, if their affidavits are accepted by the courts, no case can ever end except with the raping of the Act and noncompliance.

/231. My fee waiver revocation appeal, first referred to in Paragraph 39 on page 8, is attached as Exhibit 4.

HAROLD WEISBERG

Frederick Coutty, Maryland

Before me this 6th day of January 1981, Deponent Harold Weisberg has appeared and signed this affidavit, first having sworn that the statements made therein are true.

My commission expires July 1, 1982.

NOTARY PUBLIC IN AND FOR FREDERICK COUNTY, MARYLAND