

	UNITED STATES DI FOR THE DISTRICT		
		ROBINSON, J.	
	HAROLD WEISBERG, : Route 12 : Frederick, Maryland 21701 : Phone: [301] 473-8186 :	MAR 1 0 1978	
	: Plaintiff,	78- 0420	
	v. :	Civil Action 10 0420	
	FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION		
	WILLIAM H. WEBSTER, Director Federal Bureau of Investigation J. Edgar Hoover Building 10th & Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20535	•	
	U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE :		
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	GRIFFIN BELL, Attorney General of the United States U.S. Department of Justice 10th & Pennsylvania Ave., N.W. Washington, D.C. 20530		
	Defendants		
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	[Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. §552]		
	1. Plaintiff brings this acti	on under the Freedom of Infor-	
	mation Act, 5 U.S.C. §552, as amend	led by Public Law 93-502, 88	
	Stat. 1561 [93rd Cong., 2d Sess.],		
	1241 [94th Cong., 2d Sess.]		
	2. Plaintiff is HAROLD WEISB	ERG, an author residing at	
	Route 12, Frederick, Maryland 2170	L .	
	3. Defendant WILLIAM H. WEBS	TER IS Director, Federal Bureau	
	of Investigation, 10th & Pennsylvar	nia Avenue, N.W., Washington,	
	D.C. 20535. Defendant Webster is		
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4. Defendant GRIFFIN BELL is Attorney General of the United States. Defendant Bell is responsible for seeing that the Department of Justice meets its obligations under the Freedom of Information Act.

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5. Defendant FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION is a component of the United States Department of Justice and has possession and control of the files of its New Orleans Field Office on the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

6. Defendant United States Department of Justice is an agency of the United States and is responsible for supervising the implementation of its regulations governing the FBI's processing of Freedom of Information Act requests.

7. By letter dated December 25, 1977 plaintiff made a Freedom of Information Act request for all of the FBI's New Orleans Field Office files on or pertaining to the assassination of Pres-John F. Kennedy. (See Exhibit 1)

8. By letter dated January 4, 1978, the New Orleans Field Office acknowledged receipt of plaintiff's request and advised him that it was being referred to FBI Headquarters for further processing. (Exhibit 2)

9. By letter dated January 25, 1978 plaintiff appealed this <u>de facto</u> denial of his request to the Deputy Attorney General.

10. No response having been made to his appeal within the time allowed by law, plaintiff is deemed to have exhausted his administrative remedies under the Freedom of Information Act.

WHEREFORE, plaintiff pryas this honorable Court for the following relief:

 That the defendants be enjoined from withholding the records plaintiff has requested; 2. That the Court award reasonable attorney fees and the costs of bringing this action;

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3. That plaintiff be granted a waiver of all search fees and copying costs; and

4. That the Court issue a written finding that the circumstances surrounding the withholding of the records requested by plaintiff raise questions as to whether agency personnel acted arbitrarily and capriciously with respect to such withholding.

H. LESAR 910 Sixteenth Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20006 Phone: 223-5587

Attorney for Plaintiff

Dated: March 10, 1978

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Exhibit 1

JAMES H. LESAR Attorney at law 910 sixteenth street, n. w. suite 600 washington, d. c. 20006

TELEPHONE (202) 223-5587

December 25, 1977

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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

Special Agent in Charge New Orleans Field Office Federal Bureau of Investigation 701 Loyola Avenue New Orleans, Louisiana 70113

Dear Sir:

On behalf of a client, Mr. Harold Weisberg, I am requesting copies of all records on or pertaining to the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

This request includes all records on or pertaining to persons and organizations who figured in the investigation into President Kennedy's murder that are not contained within the file(s) on that assassination, as well as those that are.

This request also includes all records on or pertaining to Lee Harvey Oswald, regardless of date or connection with the investigation into President Kennedy's assassination.

In addition, this request includes all records on or pertaining to Clay Shaw, David Ferrie and any other persons or organizations who figured in District Attorney Jim Garrison's investigation into President Kennedy's assassination.

I would appreciate it if you could let me know the estimated volume of records involved in this request and when you expect to begin processing them in compliance with my client's request.

Sincerely yours,

amer H. James H. Lesar

Exhibit 2



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

NYMAN.

701 Loyola Avenue New Orleans, Louisiana 70113 January 4, 1978

Mr. James H. Lesar Attorney at Law 910 Sixteenth Street, N.W. Suite 600 Washington, D.C. 20006

Dear Mr. Lesar:

Reference is made to your letter dated December 25, 1977, concerning the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request of Mr. Harold Weisberg for records pertaining to the assassination of President John F. Kennedy and others.

This is to advise you that your letter has been received and has been referred to FBI Headquarters in Washington, D.C., for further processing. It is suggested that any further inquiry be directed to our FOIA Section at our headquarters in Washington, D.C.

CONTRACTOR OF STREET

Very truly yours,

FRANCIS M. MULLEN, JR. Special Agent in Charge

By Joseph P. Mc Mahon JOSEPH P. MC MAHON Supervisory Special Agent

EXBIBIT

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1978 Feb	24	COMPLAINT; appearance.
E Eob	24	SUMMONS (5) & copies (5) of complaint issued. U.S. Atty. ser 2-28- 78. Defts Webster & FBI ser 2-28-78. Justice & Atty. Gen ser 3-2-78.
Mar	30	ANSWER of defts to complaint; exhibits (3); appearance of Daniel J. Metcalfe; c/m 3-30-78.
Mar	30	CALENDARED. CD/N
Apr	07	REASSIGNMENT of case from Judge Oberdorfer to Judge Smith.
1979 Mar	22	STATUS CALL: Oral motion to consolidate this case with Civil Action No. 78-420, granted. (Rep: D. Copeland) SMITH, J.
Apr	03	NOTICE of defts of filing of proposed order of consolidation.
Apr	04	ORDER of consolidation for all purposes, pursuant to Rule 42(a), FRCP, consolidat- ing CA 78-322 & CA 78-420. (N) SMITH, J.
1980 Mär	25	STATUS CALL: Further Status Call set for 9:30am on 10-14-80. (Rep: Dawn Copeland) SMITH, J.
Apr	30	CHANGE of address of counsel for ptlf. to 2101 L Street, N.W. Suite 203. CD/N
Oct	14	STATUS CALL. Further status call 9:30 A.M., Dec. 2, 1980. (Rep. Dawn Copeland) Smith, J.
1981 Jan	07	STATUS CALL: Further Status Call set for 2-11-81 at 9:30A.M. (Rep: Dawn Copeland) SMITH, J.
Feb	17	STATUS CALL: Further Status Call set for 9:30 A.M., May 18, 1981. Rep: Dawn Copeland SMITH, J.
May 27		STATUS: Report by counsel made to the Court with a further status call to be set at a later time. (Rep: D. Copeland) SMITH, J.
Sept 21		TRANSCRIPT of Proceedings taken on 2-17-81; Court's copy; pps 1-7; Rep: Dawn T. Copeland.
္တာေပ 08		APPEARANCE of Henry I. LaHaie for defts. Cal/N.
Dec 10 1982		STATUS CALL: Further status call March 10, 1982. Rep: Dawn Copeland SMITH, C.J.
Mar 2		MOTION by defts. concerning the adjudication of certain exemption claims; Memo of P&A's; Declaration of John N. Phillips.
	;	(SEE NEWE PACE)

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982* Már 10		STATUS CALL: further status call and motions hearing 9:30 A.M. on 3/25/82. (Rep: D. Copeland)	set for SMITH, J.
ar 15		OPPOSITION by Pltf. to defts' motion concerning the adjudication of certain exemption claims; Affidavit of Harold Weisberg; Affidavit of James H. Lesar.	
ar 22		REPLY by defts. to pltff's. opposition to defts' motion concerning the adjudication of certain exemption claims; Exhibit A w/ Attachments 1 through 4; Exhibit B.	
ır 25		MOTION by deft. to allow selective Vaughn Index, hear under advisement. (Rep: Dawn Copeland) SN	d and taken 11TH, J.
.pr 05		SETTLEMENT PROPOSAL by Pltf.; Attachments 1, 2 & 3.	
pr 15		RESPONSE by defts' to pltf's. settlement proposal; De John N. Phillips; Exhibits 1 through 5.	eclaration of
ay.03		MOTION by defts. for partial summary judgment; Memo of P&A's; Declaration of John N. Phillips; Statement of material fact	
iy 12		MOTION by Pltf. for extension of time to and including May 31, 1 within which to oppose defts' motion for partial summary	
ay 18		judgment. ORDER filed May 18, 1982, that pltf's. time for oppos motion for partial summary judgment is extended including May 31, 1982. (N) . SMITH,	to and
une 02		MOTION of plaintiff for extension of time within which to file or defendants' motion for partial summary judgment.	pposition to
:n 04		MOTION by Pltf. for extension of time within which to tion to defts' motion for partial summary judgmen (Opposition)	file opposi- t; EXHIBIT
ın 7		MEMORANDUM by defts. advising the Court of Related Cas District; Exhibits A through E.	se in this
14		ORDER filed June 8, 1982, granting pltf's. motion for time within which to file opposition to deft's. m partial summary judgment to and including June 3, SMI	otion for
14		MOTION by Pltf. for an order compelling defts. to see copywright holders pursuant to Rule 19(a); Memo of	
un 14		AS OF JUNE 3, 1982, OPPOSITION by Pltf. to defts' mo partial summary judgment; Statement of genuine iss of James H. Lesar w/Attachments 1; Affidavit of Ha w/Exhibits 1 through 18, 19A and 19B.	ue;Affidavit
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) 1982 Jun 17		MOTION by deft. to strike and to have its statement of material facts deemed admitted; Memo of P&A's.		atement of material
Jun 21			o defts' memorandum advis: this District.	ing the Court of
Jun 28		RESPONSE by deft. to pltf's. motion for an order compelling the deft. to seek joinder of copyright holders pursuant to Rule 19(a).		
July 1			STIPULATION extending pltff's time to respond to Defts' motion to strike and to have its statement of material facts deemed admitted; extended to and including July 23, 1982 - APPROVED (N) SMITH, C. J.	
Jul 02		REPLY by Deft. to pltf's. opposition to the motion for partial Summary judgment; Exhibit A & B.		
Jul 8		REPLY by Pltf. to defts' response to pltf's. motion for an order compelling defts. to seek joinder of Copyright Holders pursuant to Rule 19(a).		
Jul 8		NOTICE by Pltf. of	filing; Attachment.	•
Jul 9		ORDER granting pltff's motion for an Order compelling defts. to seek the joinder of a copyrightholder in this case and in C.A. 78-420, further ordered that defts. seek joinder sou by pltff. in these cases from Dallas File No. 89-43-1A81, which is being withheld on grounds that its release is barred by the Copyright Act 17 USC S 101, et seq., and exemption 3 of the FIA 5 USC S 552. (N) SMITH, C. J.		in this case and in s. seek joinder sough ile No. 89-43-1A81, t its release is)1, et seq., and
Jul 23		NOTICE by pltff. of davit of Harold W	filing of affidavit of Ha eisberg; attachments 1-2;	arold Weisberg; affi- exhibits 1-11.
Jul 23		OPPOSITION by pltff statement of mate	. to deft's motion to stri rial facts deemed admitted	ike and to have its 1.
Jul 26		AMENDED STATEMENT o pltff.	AMENDED STATEMENT of genuine issues of material fact in dispute b pltff.	
Jul 26		photographic copi the FBI's Dallas	MOTION by pltff. for order compelling defts. to provide pltff. wi photographic copies of all movie films and still photographs of the FBI's Dallas and New Orleans field offices; memorandum of points and authorities in support.	
Aug 5		MOTION and MEMORANI of an extension of	OUM by deft. of points and of time.	authorities in suppo

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782 Aug	9	ORDER filed 8/6/82 that deft's time to serve its response to pltff' motion to compel is extended to and including 8/19/82. SMITH, C.J.		
lug	18	MOTION (unopposed) by deft to Stay Court's Order of 7-8-82, pending settlement negotiations between pltf and the copy- rightholder; exhibit A&B.		
lug	19	OPPOSITION by deft to pltf's motion for Order compelling deft with photographic copies of all movie films and still photographs of the FBI's Dallas and New Orleans Field Office; seventh declaration of John N. Phillips.		
ług	26	ORDER filed 8/25/82 granting deft's motion to stay of 7/8/82 pending settlement negotiations betw copyrightholder. (N)	Court's order een pltff. and SMITH, J.	
Sep.	2	REPLY by deft. to pltff's opposition to deft's motion to strike a to have its statement of material facts deemed admitted; exhibits A-B.		
Sep	3	ERRATA by deft.; attachment.		
lept 10	4	MOTION by deft for a hearing.		
)ct	4	MOTION of deft. for partial summary judgment and motion of deft. to strike heard, argued and taken under advisement with couns to be notified at later time. (Rep: D. Copeland) SMITH, S		
ct	13	NOTICE by pltff. of filing affidavits; attachment	(affidavits).	
)ct 29		MEMORANDUM filed 10/27/82. (N)	SMITH, J.	
)ct 29		ORDER filed 10/27/82 denying defts' motion for part judgment. (N)(See order for details.)	ial summary SMITH, J.	
)ec 3	-	INTERROGATORIES (first set) of pltff to defts.		
)ec 6		INTERROGATORIES (first set written) of deft. to pl	tff.	
)ec 6		REQUEST (first) of deft for production of document	s to pltff.	
)ec [°] 6		TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS from 10-5-82; pages 1 th (Rep: Dawn T. Copeland) COURT COPY	ru 48-A;	
)ec 21		REQUEST of pltff for production of documents.		
)ec 21		REQUEST of pltff for admissions.	· · ·	
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1982		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
Dec 21		MOTION for extension of time within wh respond to defts' interrogatories documents.	
1983 Jan 3	·	MOTION AND MEMORANDUM OF P&A'S of deft time.	in support of an extension
Jan 17		MOTION by pltff. for a protective orde authorities in support; attachment	
Jan 20		RESPONSE by deft. to pltff's request f attachments A-B.	or production of documents;
Jan 20		RESPONSE by deft. to pltff's request f	or admissions.
Jan 24		RESPONSE by deft. to pltff's first set	of interrogatories.
Jan 27		OTION by deft. for a hearing.	
Jan 27 OPPOSITION by deft, to pltff's motion for a protective order		for a protective order.	
'eb 4		ORDER denying pltff's motion for a protective answer deft's interrogatories and requests within twenty (20) days from date of ordes expenses, including attorneys' fees incurs	s for production of documents r and denying deft's request for red in opposing pltff's motion. ()
Feb 7		MOTION of pltf. for an order compellin for admissions; P&A's.	SMITH, J. g defts. to answer request
Feb 18		OPPOSITION by deft. to pltff's motion deft. to answer the request for ad	
'eb 22		MOTION by pltf. for extension of time	to respond to defts discover
Mar 8		MOTION by pltff. to strike all sworn s John N. Phillips and motion to hol pltff's charges that defts. have s the Court; P&A's; affidavit of plt	d evidentiary hearing on ubmitted false intormation d
Mar 8		RESPONSE by pltff. to defts' first req ments; affidavit of pltff.	uest for production of docu-
Mar 8		OBJECTIONS by pltff. to defts' interro	gatories.
Mar 15		MOTION of deft for an order compelling discove	ery; P&A's.
Mar 15		ERRATUM by deft to interrogatories propounded	on 12-6-82.

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1983 - r 21		MOTION of pltf. to compel answers to interrogatories; P&A's.	
r 21		MOTION of pltf. Harold Weisberg for an order compelling defts. to produce documents requested by item No. 1 of pltf's request for production of documents; P&A's.	
r 21		MOTION of deft. for an extension of time to serve its response to pltf's motions; and memorandum of points and authorities.	
r 28		OPPOSITION by pltf. to defts' motion for an order compelling	discovery.
r 29		OPPOSITION by deft. to pltf's motion to strike and to hold an evidentiary hearing; Exhibits A-B.	
r 4		OPPOSITION of defts. to pltfs motions for orders compelling deft. to produce documents and to answer interrogatories.	
r 6°		REPLY of deft. to pltf's opposition to deft's motion for an order compelling discovery; Exhibit A.	
ж 8°		HEARING on motions of pltf to compel admissions and answers to certain interrogatories and motion of deft to compel heard, argued and taken under advisement; Rep. D. Copeland SMITH, J.	
r 12		MOTION of pltf. for leave to file April 10, 1983 affidavit of Harold Weisberg; memorandum of P&A's; EXHIBIT (affidavit w/exhs.).	
pr 15		ORDER filed 4/13/83 denying pltff's Motions to Com answer his request for admissions; further tha days of the date of this Order deft. shall ser and file with the Court answers to interrogate 32, and 33; Pltff shall serve upon deft. and f	t within 30 ve upon pltff ories 12(b), ile with the
		Court responsive answers to deft's interrogate request for production of documents, providing contentions concerning the adequacy of the FBI shall submit an affidavit within 10 days from this Order, detailing expenses, including atto which were incurred in obtaining the Order con to answer interrogatories and produce document	g finally his search; Deft. the date of prney's fees, pelling pltff
or 18		ORDER granting pltf's motion for leave to file the April 10, Harold Weisberg. (N)	1983 affidavit of SMITH, J.
J 18		AFFIDAVIT of Harold Weisberg; exhibits 1 through 16.	
pr 18		MEMORANDUM of pltf to the Court.	
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Apr 25		APPLICATION of deft for expenses incurred in obt compelling pltf to answer its discovery requ of Henry I. LaHale; Exh. l.	aining the order ests; Declaration
Apr 27		REQUEST (second) by pltf. for production of documents to defts. Attachments 1-5.	
Apr 29		ORDER filed 4/28/83 that pltff's motion for an o defts to produce documents is denied; pltff' sworn statements of FBI Agents John Phillips for evidentiary hearing is also denied. (N)	s motion to strike ; pltff's motion
Apr 29	•	ORDER filed 4/28/83 awarding expenses to deft un FRCP in the amount of \$684.50; and that pltf amount to the United States within 60 days f Order. (See order for further details) (N)	shall pay said
May 4		INTERROGATORIES (second set) by pltf to defts; a	ttachment.
May 13 -	••	MOTION by deft and memorandum of points and auth of an extension of timeto file answers to in 32 and 33 of pltf's first set of interrogato	terrogatories 12(a)
May 13		ANSWERS by deft Dallas Field Office to interroga 33 of pltf's first set of interrogatories.	tories 12(a), 32 a
May 16		ANSWERS of deft New Orleans Field Office to inter 32 and 33 of pltf's first set of interrogato	
May 18		ORDER filed 6/16/83 that deft's time to serve th New Orleans Field Office to interrogatories 33 of pltf's first set of interrogatories is including May 18, 1983.	Nos. 12(a), 32 and
May 18		MOTION by deft pursuant to Rule 37 for dismissal dated actions; memorandum of points and author	
May 20		MOTION by deft and memorandum of points and auth of a stay of pltf's discovery;	orities in support
May 31		MOTION of pltfs for extensions of time to oppose a stay of pltf's discovery and for dismissal	
Jun 6		MOTION of pltf for reconsideration; memorandum of	of P&A's.
Jun 6		OPPOSITION of pltf to defts motion for a stay of	pltf's discovery.
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9 nL		OPPOSITION of pltf to defts motion to dismiss.	
6 nc		NOTICE by pltf of filing of April 29, 1983 affidavi Weisberg;Declaration of Harold Weisberg; attach	t of Harold ments.
un 6		NOTICE by pltf of filing of May 5, 1983 affidavit of Harold Weisberg; Affidavit; Exhibits 1 through 16.	
un 6		NOTICE by pltf of filing of May 28, 1983 affidavit Weisberg; Affidavit.	of Harold
m 20		OPPOSITION of deft to pltf's motion for reconsideration.	
ın 21		REPLY of deft to pltf's opposition to deft's dismissal motion.	
ın 23		 REPLY of deft to pltf's opposition to its motion for a stay of pltf's discovery. TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS (7): of 3/22/79, pp 4-6; 3/25/80, pp 1-5 10/14/80, pp. 1-10; 1/7/81, pp 1-7; 5/27/81, pp 1-4; 12/10/81, pp. 1-5; 3/10/82, pp 1-7; 3/25/82, pp. 1-10; Rep. Dawn T. Copeland. (Filed in CA 78-0420) 	
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ig 29		NOTICE of pltf of filing of June 13, 1983 affidavit of Mr. Harold Weisberg; Exhibits 1-14; and Addendum of June 17, 1983.	
1g 29		NOTICE of pltf of filing of July 16, 1983 affidavit Weisberg; attachment.	of Mr. Harold
1g 29		NOTICE of pltf of filing of July 6, 1983 affidavit Weisberg; attachment.	of Mr. Harold
ug 29		NOTICE of pltf of filing of July 22, 1983 affidavi Weisberg; Exhibits 1-36.	t of Mr. Harold
ct 19		TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS of 4-8-83; pages 1-61; (Rep: Dawn T. Copeland) (sb)	
ov 9		HEARING on pltf's motion to reconsider this Court' deft's motions to dismiss and stay further Dis argued and taken under advisement, with counse Rep: D. Copeland.	covery heard,
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1983			
Nov 23	MEMORANDUM filed 11-18-83. (N)	SMITH, J. (sb)	
Nov 23	ORDER filed 11-18-83 that pltf's motion for reconsideration of this Court's orders, or in the alternative, to amend this Court's orders to certify for interlocutory appeal, is DENIED; Deft's motion to dismiss these consolidated actions is granted; Cases are DISMISSED with prejudice. (See for details)SMITH, J. (sb)		
Dec 2	APPLICATION of deft for expenses incurr dismissal motion under Rule 37(b)(I. LaHaie; Exhibit 1. (sb)		
Dec 15	OPPOSITION by pltf to deft's application its dismissal under Rule 37(b)(2)		
Dec 20	REPLY of deft to pltf's opposition to incurred in prosecuting the dismisse	al motion under Rule 37(b).	
Dec 22	ORDER filed 12-21-83 (1) That deft is a 73(b)(2) in the amount of \$1,053. James H. Lesar, shall pay said an within 20 days from date of this be made by check payable to "Trea of America and shall be sent to d	55; (2) Pltf and his counse nount to the United States Order; and (3) such payment surer of the united States	
Dec 27	APPLICATION of deft for Entry of Judgme	nt. (sb)	
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Jan 10	JUDGMENT in favor of deft. Federal Bure pltf Harold Weisberg in the sum of Dollars and Fifty-Five Cents (\$1,05 in the sum of Six Hundred Eighty-Fo (\$684.50) plus interest; directing p the United States within Sixty (60) order; Approved. (N)	One Thousand Fifty-Three 3.55) plus interest; expens our Dollars and Fifty Cents ltf. to pay said amount to	
Jan 20	MOTION of deft to amend judgment; Memor	andum of P&A's. (sb)	
Jan 23	NOTICE OF APPEAL by pltf from order en \$5.00 filing fee and \$65.00 docketi to U.S. Copies mailed to: Henry L	ng fee paid and credited	
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an 31		AMENDED JUDGMENT ordering that the pltf take nothing; that these actions be dismissed with prejudice; that deft. F.B.I. recover from pltf Harold Weisberg and his attorney, James H. Lesar, the sum of one thousand fifty-three dollars and fifty-five cents (\$1,053.55) plus interest from the date of judgment at the legal rate of 10.1% computed daily and compounded annually until paid in full; directing that deft F.B.I. recover from pltf Harold Weisberg the sum of six hundred eighty-four dollars and fifty cents (\$684.50) plus interest from the date of judgment at the legal rate of 10.1% computed daily and compounded annually until paid in full. Approved. (Signed 1-30-84) (N)					
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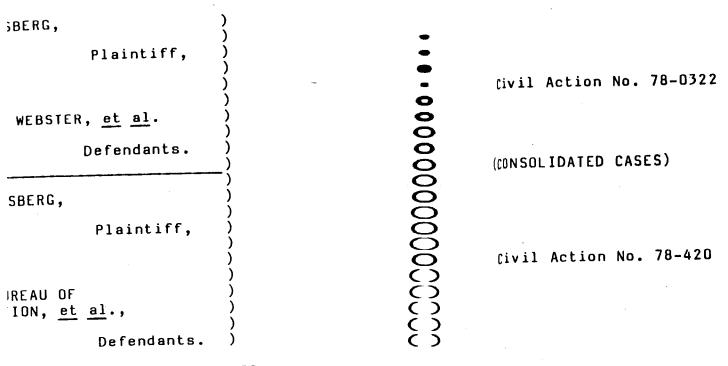
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TELEPHONE (202) 223-5587

December 25, 1977

EXIVIBIT

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

Special Agent in Charge New Orleans Field Office-Federal Bureau of Investigation 701 Loyola Avenue New Orleans, Louisiana 70113

Dear Sir:

On behalf of a client, Mr. Harold Weisberg, I am requesting copies of all records on or pertaining to the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

This request includes all records on or pertaining to persons and organizations who figured in the investigation into President Kennedy's murder that are not contained within the file(s) on that assassination, as well as those that are.

This request also includes all records on or pertaining to Lee Harvey Oswald, regardless of date or connection with the investigation into President Kennedy's assassination.

In addition, this request includes all records on or pertaining to Clay Shaw, David Ferrie and any other persons or organizations who figured in District Attorney Jim Garrison's investigation into President Kennedy's assassination.

I would appreciate it if you could let me know the estimated volume of records involved in this request and when you expect to begin processing them in compliance with my client's request.

Sincerely yours,

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II. PROCEDURES UNDERTAKEN BY THE DALLAS FIELD OFFICE IN RESPONSE TO PLAIN-TIFF'S FOIA REQUEST

A. <u>Initial Search</u>

5. By letter to the Dallas Field Office dated December 25, 1977, plaintiff's attorney requested "all records on or pertaining to the assassination of President John F. Kennedy," including "all records on or pertaining to persons or organizations who Figured in the investigation into President Kennedy's murder that are not contained within the file(s) on that assassination, as well as those that are." Also requested were "all records on or pertaining to Lee Harvey Oswald regardless of date or connection with the investigation into President Kennedy's assassination." (A copy of this letter is attached to plaintiff's complaint in Case No. 78-322).

6. Because many of the Dallas documents had been previously processed pursuant to a separate FOIA request by plaintiff for FBIHQ records on the JFK assassination, plaintiff's request was forwarded to FBIHQ. Upon review of this latest request by plaintiff, Special Agent Thomas H. Bresson, then Assistant Chief of the FOIPA Branch, determined that four "main" files in the Dallas Field Office were responsive to plaintiff's FOIA request:

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"Assassination of President John F. Kennedy, November 22, 1963." This file consists generally of allegations about individuals (other than Lee Harvey Oswald and Jack Ruby) or groups involved in the assassination, and other miscellaneous information.

100-10461 - "Lee Harvey Oswald." This file consists of information developed about Lee Harvey Oswald before and after the assassination.

44-1639 - "Jack Ruby, Lee Harvey Oswald-Victim." This file concerns the killing of Oswald by Ruby.

62-3588 - "President's Commission on the Assassination of President Kennedy." This file consists of material concerning the Warren Commission and the report it issued.

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First, I want to thank the Court for its consideration of my medical and physical limitations. Because of them and because this hearing is limit ed to the new evidence on which my Motion is based, so as not to ramble in ad-libbing - I am not a lawyer - I have typed what I want to say that I may read it. Without interruption, it will take about 20 minutes. Thereafter, if the Court or FBI counsel desire, I have extra copies of the official records I quote and will be pleased to provide them.

EYNIBIT 4

MOTION TO RECONSIDER

My motion on which this hearing is being held seeks to have a judgment against me vacated. The judgment was awarded the FBI because I allegedly refused to provide alleged discovery. In fact I provided about two file drawers of this information. After the record before this Court was closed, while the case was on appeal, the FBI began disclosing records to Mark Allen in a case in another court. With one exception, all the new evidence on which my motion is based consists of the FBI's own records disclosed to Allen.

In seeking discovery the FBI represented that the information sought would enable it to establish that it had complied with my requests. It also represented that it required my unique subjectmatter expertise. Both representations are untruthful - in fact, impossible.

These FBI records disclosed to Allen are attached to my filing.

A little over a month ago I received additional new evidence, FBI records subsequently disclosed to Allen that are relevant to my undenied allegations of fraud, perjury and misrepresentation by the government to obtain the judgment.

I restrict myself to this "new evidence" and, to save the Court's time, I now refer to only a few of these matters. While none are frivolous, I regard some as of greater importance.

In addition, a few weeks ago a doctoral candidate gave me a copy of a report on FBI files by the Archives and FBI to judge Harold Greene in still other litigation and I use a few excerpts from it.

TICKLERS

FBI SA John N. Phillips, of the Records Management Division, is case supervisor in this litigation. He provided most of the FBI's attestations after accrediting himself as competent to do so. It is undenied that he is in the identical role in the Allen case in Which he also has attested. He thus supervised the disclosure to Allen of what disproves his attestations in this litigation.

With regard to ticklers, or control files, Phillips provided several attestations in which he swore that these ticklers are always routinely destroyed after a short period of time and that there are none in the Dallas or New Orleans field offices. On July 2, 1982, he swore that "the Dallas and New Orleans Field Offices do not produce or maintain ticklers," [T1] repeating this August 26, 1982. [T2]

He also swore that in any event ticklers hold only copies of records from the main case file. In all respects he swore falsely.

While I do not know the extent of the FBI ticklers disclosed to Allen thus far in that litigation, the incomplete copies I have <u>fill two file drawers</u>. These ticklers go back <u>more than 22 years</u>, they refer to other old ticklers, and it thus is apparent that they are not routinely destroyed and that the FBI and Phillips were aware of this when Phillips swore falsely. If this were not the case, before remand I put the FBI and Phillips on notice and this false swearing was neither withdrawn nor apologized for in any way.

In the joint FBI-Archives study reported to Judge Greene, the records of the Dallas field office, among others, were examined, including those relating to the assassination of President Kennedy.

That report refers to the <u>existence</u> of ticklers, as "maintained for the purpose of having all information regarding a specific matter immediately available without the necessity of reviewing numerous case files," in Dallas more than 100,000 pages in the JFK assassination files. This report refers to files in the plural in describing the contents of ticklers and it says further than "they contain copies of serials filed in individual case file<u>s</u>." The expert Phillips attested to the contrary.

Without ticklers the FBI would be utterly lost in these massive files in ongoing cases. They were created and they were <u>not</u> destroyed. Another tickler record disclosed to Allen states there was <u>no</u> destruction of <u>any</u> assassination records in either field office.

Page 5 of one FBI tickler record disclosed recently to Allen makes it clear that Phillips was untruthful in attesting that the ticklers contain nothing not in the main file and are identical with it. At 15(b) it is stated that "Only the tickler version contains the Hosty data," another matter about which Phillips attested untruthfully. And at (C) it is stated that "The tickler, report and amended pages differ in many respects." [T3]

Dallas SA Hosty was involved in several serious scandals and was disciplined. Phillips attested that all relevant Dallas Hosty records were disclosed, although the Hosty search slip is entirely blank. When I identified an FBIHQ **6**7 file in which Dallas Hosty information was hidden, after denials of relevance, the one record I could identify by serial was provided. As this just-disclosed FBIHQ tickler states, it is captioned "Lee Harvey Oswald" and is of obvious relevance. (Another serial from this file identified

in these ticklers, of which I did not know, remains withheld from me.) This tickler page also indicates that there is a Hosty tickler and that it may hold what was not found in the main file search. [T4[

The more incredible of the Hosty scandals, which was suppressed for a dozen years and then was leaked, is Hosty's destruction of a threatening note from Oswald to him. Oswald threatened to bomb the Dallas FBI office and the police headquarters. (Before the Warren Commission, Hosty swore to the official FBI line, that it had no reason to believe Oswald had any potential for violence.) Whether the relevant Dallas records are in undisclosed ticklers or whether this is why the Hosty search slip is blank I do not know but those records were and remain withheld and, like all else withheld in this litigation, no discovery from me was necessary and none from me would enable the FBI to establish compliance when it knew very well that it had not complied. An FBIHQ outline disclosed to Allen and attached to my filings leaves it without question that the FBI - and Phillips - knew that it had and withheld relevant records. [T5]

On page 1, at 1 B 3, quoting, "Hosty note destruction: handled by Bureau on Nov 24 and effect on subsequent days." Despite Phillips' attestation, not a single page of these <u>Dallas</u> records has been disclosed to me.

It thus is obvious that Phillips swore only falsely with regard to ticklers.

RECORDINGS

Phillips persisted in swearing only falsely about the existence of relevant and withheld recordings even after I corrected him under oath myself and even after I provided FBI records disclosed to me

by Phillips in this litigation indicating where some were, in particular, of the assassination period recordings of the Dallas police broadcasts. As fast as I disproved one of his untruthful attestations, Phillips made up another, was <u>never</u> truthful and, to this day, these existing and relevant records along with existing and related records remain withheld. That this is not an innocent false swearing is reflected by the Department's letter of a year ago to me in which it admits that as of then one such recording had been blundered into exactly where I had stated it would be, along with relevant records. [R1]

As soon as I received this letter I offered to help locate the other relevant recordings that the FBI <u>did</u> make in Dallas. I also asked for the cost of a second copy of the recording for me to provide to others engaged in this research. Almost a year has passed and I have had no response to my letter nor have I received <u>any</u> copy of <u>any</u> recording or <u>any</u> of the relevant records and neither the recording nor the records are subject to any claim to exemption. One possible reason for this continued withholding in overt and deliberate violation of the law is to keep me from displaying it to this Court as proof positive of Phillips' repeated false swearing and of the FBI's repeated misrepresentations to this Court.

Another possible reason relates to whether the FBI misled a panel of the National Academy of Sciences that was requested to make a study of these recordings by the Attorney General at the request of the House of Representatives.

This is not the only version of those recordings obtained by the Dallas FBI and, contrary to Phillips' attestation that all relevant information is in the four main files, neither they nor

he records relating to the FBI's making the recordings is in any f these main files.

An example of Phillips' false swearing with regard to these ecords is his March 22, 1982, attestation, "plaintiff has been furnished ith all releasable films and tapes." [R2]

He repeated this word-for-word July 2, 1982 [R3] and August 5, 1982 [R4], appending one of his complete fabrications in August, hat an FBI employee made copies of the police tapes for the Warren ommission and that the FBI kept no copy. In fact, not a word of his is true.

CRITICS

Those known as "critics" of the JFK assassination investigations :e included in my requests but no search was ever made, despite nillips' attestations that such a search was made and that there :e no such records. His resort to semantics does not avoid false /earing. On page 4 of the tickler outline referred to above [T5] s this entry, at 3 C 7, "Subsequent preparation of <u>sex</u> dossiers n critics of probe." Such records <u>are</u> filed at the office of origin, nllas, were not provided, and remained withheld even after I provided I Dallas and New Orleans file numbers for some. It is obvious nat such dossiers could not be prepared without retrievable and trieved records. Here again I emphasize that Phillips was supervisor the disclosure of this record to Allen, so this information was own to him and his staff when he swore other than truthfully with gard to critics.

On several occasions Phillips swore to searches to locate testedly non-existing records on "critics." But the search slips

provided, which he also swore are full and complete, reflect that <u>no</u> such search was <u>ever</u> made. With regard to the alleged New Orleans search he attested on April 29, 1982, on page 11, that "an all references indices search was made ... for 'critics' ..." [Cl] and with regard to the alleged Dallas search, on page 10, that "No material was found on 'critics' ..." [C2]

The absence of <u>any</u> such search on the search slips attested to as full and complete means that <u>any</u> claim to <u>any</u> such search is knowingly false and the claim that there are no such records likewise is knowingly false. After I provided accurate <u>FBI</u> information neither false attestation was withdrawn.

ALL RELEVANT RECORDS ARE NOT IN MAIN FILES

Phillips attested that all the FBI's information responsive to my requests is in the four main Dallas files to which, without any search at all being made, compliance was restricted. He cannot have read my requests and sworn to this without knowing he was swearing falsely and he released to Allen tickler pages which remove any doubt on this score.

One such page is headed, "L. H. Oswald in Cuba allegation" and thus is of obvious relevance. Under "Material researched for memo" the last item is not cited to any of these mail files but is cited to a "Foreign Miscellaneous" file, "64-44828 Martins Main file." [F1]

When a search was made for newspaper stories reporting that Oswald had been an FBI informer, as another of these new tickler pages reflects, the search was in the 94 files on those papers, mistitled "Research Matters" by the FBI, which seeks to hide these files and

o sear ch them. "Houston Post NR for date 94-8-sub 75" ornin News, NR for the date, 94-68431." [F2] The companion ice files, also mistitled, are "80. Laboratory Research

The have nothing to do with the laboratory or its research, sted and the report to Judge Greene now confirms, there want a file records in both field offices, as Phillips they were withheld from me. [F3]

OTHER UNTRUTHS ABOUT RECORDS AND INDICES iillip - attestations to the FBI's once-secret hiding places >ds ar - directly contradicted by the joint FBI-Archives report Green - and by Phillips himself.

Augu St 26, 1982, Phillips attested that "'June' files are FBI s ometimes calls the files that encompass the electronic ance c onducted by a field office." In fact, they are and compas s" much more. "Information in the 'June' files," he , "lik e all other FBI files, is thus retrievable through of a field office's general indices." This also is untrue.[01] hillips then pretended not to understand what is meant by field office records outside its general files in the SAC's d by ther means, but he did swear that "a search of the s in both the Dallas and New Orleans Field Offices was made." he dimettly contradicts himself because he also swore that ovide with <u>all</u> records of <u>all</u> alleged searches and no such as even requested, leave alone made, from the search records

in that litigation. Moreover, from his own words, even had been such a search, it was not a search responsive to sts because it was, in his own words, limited to what the

FBI captioned as JFK assassination and specifically, my requests of both offices are not so limited. [02]

With regard to Phillips' attestation to the retrievability of all records by a search of the general indices, the report to Judge Greene says there is "a variety of other indices." [03]

It states also that "Some records are maintained separately from the related case files," including in special file rooms, surveillance materials and, addressing Phillips' feigned uncertainty, "materials maintained under the personal control of the Special Agent in Charge." Quoting, and again in direct contradiction of the FBI's attestations, "The Field Offices have special file rooms for informant files and ELSUR materials." And they also have "'Do Not File' materials" for what the FBI regards as "sensitive" to "ensure that such information <u>would not appear in the case file</u>." That "June" is for more than electronic surveillance next follows in a listing that includes the "highly controversial." And when the "June" designation was abandoned during this litigation, the FBI "required continued special handling and separate filing of sensitive material." [04]

"Do Not File documents are used in sensitive matters," the Report to Judge Greene states, "such as illegal break-ins and political gossip, but they were used also for policy making and administrative documents, in which restricted circulation and filing was desired." Again, directly contradicting Phillips, this report to Judge Greene states that "There is no procedural cross-referencing between the ELSUR index and the General Index."

I have not exhausted Phillips' permeating infidelity to fact ranging from his deliberate resort to semantics to evade, misrepresent

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and mislead to the overtly false but have restricted myself to a selection of the large amount of <u>FBI</u> information that it, itself, disclosed and this I use as what it is, "new evidence." What makes all this official dishonesty even more blatant is the fact that most of this new evidence was disclosed <u>under Phillips' personal supervision</u> <u>and control</u>, albeit delayed until after the case record in this litigation was closed. It is beyond question that none of Phillips' permeating dishonesty was not and could not have been accidental.

OFFENSES BY FBI COUNSEL

Paralleling all this FBI sworn-to official untruthfulness to this Court is serious misrepresentation by its counsel and, surprisingly, some of that, for reasons not apparent to me, also <u>is</u> sworn to. This is consistent with the behavior of <u>all</u> FBI counsel, who entirely disregarded all the proof I provided of Phillips' and other FBI untruthfulness, myself under oath, when those counsel filed with this Court additional attestations already proven to be untruthful.

I reemphasize that the FBI and its counsel <u>have not made even</u> <u>pro forma denial of the new evidence</u> I provided and its meaning and that it thus is the <u>only</u> evidence before this Court on the limited question before it, of vacating the judgment based on this new evidence. I believe that both the FBI and its counsel ought be subject to sanctions because of their undenied wrongful and I believe criminal conduct.

With regard to my Motion, through its counsel the FBI makes two knowingly untruthful representations. One is that I have done no more than "rehash" the question of search when in fact I have done no such thing, not in any way, as is obvious in any reading

of what I have filed. The other is that under Rule 60(6) time has run. This is false on two counts, and again, there is no question of deliberateness in these misrepreentations. With regard to the time permitted by the Rule, the one-year limit, <u>specifically</u>, pertains to the first three of its six clauses <u>only</u>. If by any remote chance learned FBI counsel, trained and experienced in the law, knows less than an aged, infirm and ill layman, the possibility of ignorance causing this serious misrepresentation vaporized when I quoted the <u>entire</u> Rule <u>verbatim</u>. Yet thereafter the same and certainly deliberate misrepresentation, that the one-year limit applied and had run, was repeated by the FBI's counsel.

Moreover, even if this were not true, the year still has not run because it is much less than a year since this Court issued its judgment, so not only the last three $c\widehat{1}$ auses of the Rule can be invoked, all of them can be and are.

THIS COURT ERRED IN NOT MAKING ANY FINDING OF FACT

I also invoked Rules 52 and 59, the latter pertaining to new trial and the amending of judgment. The first words of clause (a) of Rule 52 are, "In all actions tried upon the facts without a jury or with an advisory jury, the court shall find the facts specifically and state separately the conclusions of law thereon, and judgment shall be entered pursuant to Rule 58; and in granting or refusing interlocutory injunctions the court shall similarly set forth the findings of fact and conclusions of law which constitute the grounds for its action ..." Clause (b) provides for amending judgments. Even "when findings of fact are made in actions tried by the court without a jury" - and this Court made no "Findings of Fact" - "the

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question of the sufficiency of the evidence to support the findings of fact may thereafter be raised ..." The FBI has not raised <u>any</u> question of the sufficiency of the evidence I presented. In fact, it has entirely ignored <u>all</u> the evidence I presented and, with ample opportunity to do so, has presented <u>no</u> evidence of its own for, in truth, it cannot. The <u>only</u> evidence before this Court is the <u>entirely</u> <u>undenied</u> evidence I presented and thus there is no other evidence before the Court on my Motion for it to consider. On its part the Court erred in not making any Findings of Fact. For these reasons the Court may, and I believe it should, vacate the judgment obtained by the serious, undenied and I think criminal misconduct by which it was procured. Moreover, in the absence of even a scintilla of contradictory evidence, I believe that under the Rules I am entitled to no less and that the Court has no alternative.

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"t 2 FBI swarche in processed <u>all</u> the Dallar and New Orleans files that were remonsive to plaintiff POIA request." (Empliasis added). And finally, in paragraph 25 of my fourth declaration, filed on May 3, stated that the same files set out in paramonh 3 of milling declaration "were [the ones] determined by the FBI to be responsive to plaintiff's FOIA request." Notwithstanding these unequivocal statements, I will once again declare, in an attempt to satisfy plaintiff's concerns, that the records listed in paragraph 3 of my first declaration and paragraph 25 of my fourth declaration encompass <u>all</u> the records which were determined by the FBI to be responsive to plaintiff's

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4. Plaintiff's counsel next raises a question whether the FBI searched its "tickler" records in Dallas or New Orleans on the Kennedy assassination. Before addressing that question, a brief explanation of "ticklers" is in order.

A "tickler" is a carbon copy of a document which is prepared for the information and temporary use of individuals at FBIHQ who need to follow the progress of a certain matter. There are no set policies or procedures for the retention or maintenance of "ticklers." Rather, each employee has his own system for handling "ticklers," depending on what is most convenient for him. In addition, each employee normally discards his "tickler" copy of a document once it is no longer of any use to him.

Not all FBI divisions maintain "ticklers." Indeed, most FBI field offices, including the Dallas and New Orleans Field Offices, do not produce or maintain "ticklers."

Accordingly, the answer to plaintiff's question concerning "ticklers" is simply that there are no such documents in the Dallas and New Orleans Field Offices. But even if those field offices had maintained "ticklers", it would have been virtually imposeible to search for the ones responsive to plaintiff's FOIA requests inasmuch as their maintenance varies among the employees who is them. Moreover, it would have been useless to do so since they are merely carbon copies of documents that have already been 'processed in response to plaintiff's requests.

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of a certain matter. I also stated that not all FBI divisions maintain "ticklers" and that indeed most FBI field offices, including the Dallas and New Orleans Offices, do not produce or maintain these types of records.

In response to those statements, plaintiff produced a document (<u>i.e.</u>, Exhibit 2 attached to Harold Weisberg's affidavit of July 21, 1982) ("Weisberg Affidavit"), which he claims demonstrates that the Dallas Field Office does produce and maintain ticklers. That document indicates that a file on Marina Nikolaevna Porter was being closed on March 6, 1978, but that the agent wanted to reopen the case in six months "for verification of the address of subject and family." To remind him of the reopening, the agent directed a rotor clerk, per a notation at the end of the memorandum, to prepare a "six (6) months tickler for reopening."

In this context, it is clear that the agent was not requesting the production of a photostatic or carbon copy (<u>i.e.</u>, a "tickler" copy) of the memorandum in question. He was instead directing a clerk to prepare a 3 x 5 card indicating the action that was to be taken six months hence. This card, in turn, would have been placed in a chronologically arranged system of other such cards which contained similar types of reminders. As each time period elapsed, the noted action would be taken and the "tickler" card would be thrown away.

Exhibit 2 attached to Weisberg's Affidavit thus does not refute the statement in paragraph 4 of my fifth declaration that most FBI field offices, including the Dallas and New Orleans Offices, do not produce or maintain "tickler" copies of the documents that they generate. Rather, it merely demonstrates that FBI agents often utilize an informal card system to remind them of certain actions that should be taken in the future.

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(12) Bureau airtel dated 2/14/64, advised Dallas and New Orleans that the amended pages were not to be inserted in the 12/23/63, report since the changes were not substantive and dealt primarily with page numbering of the original address book. The amended pages did not include the Hosty data (105-82555-2021). SAC Francis M. Mullen, Jr., New Orleans Division, reviewed the New Orleans Lee Harvey Oswald file on 11/15/77, and advised that pages 672 through 701 conformed to Bufiles.

(13) Former SA Gemberling and SA Kessler furnished affidavits dated 2/25/64, Bufile 105-82555-2243 and 105-82555-2244 respectively, which essentially explained the conversion of Kessler's office memorandum to a report insert and stated that the Hosty data was omitted from both the memorandum and report since it was not of lead value. These affidavits were furnished to the Warren Commission by Bureau letter dated 2/27/64, (105-82555-2240).

(14) SA Udo H. Specht, Dallas Division, has conducted exhaustive searches to locate the original Kessler memorandum without success.

(15) Comparison of all four versions of pages 672 through 701 reflect the following:

(A) The 12/19/63, version appears identical to the 12/23/63, report version except for a minor pen change to a street number.

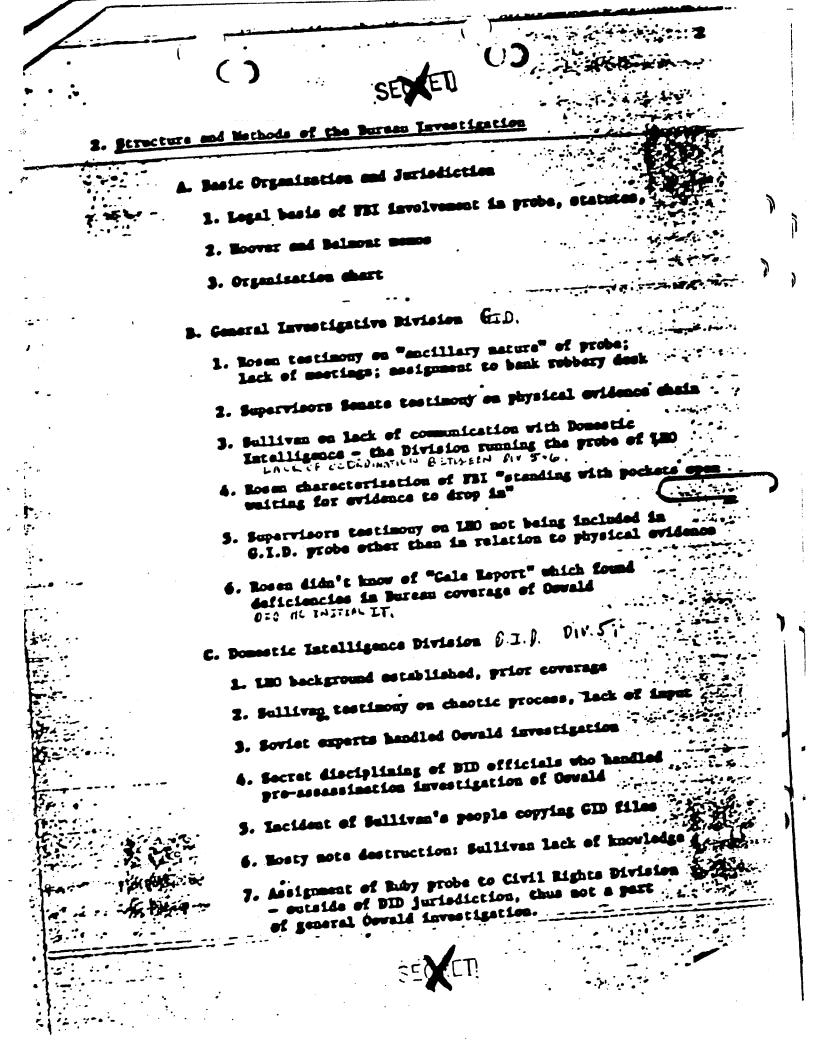
(B) Only the tickler version contains the Hosty data.

(C) The tickler, report and amended page versions differ in many respects. For example, 25 pages of the tickler copy do not coincide with the 30 pages of the report version to include page 696 which pertains to the Hosty data.

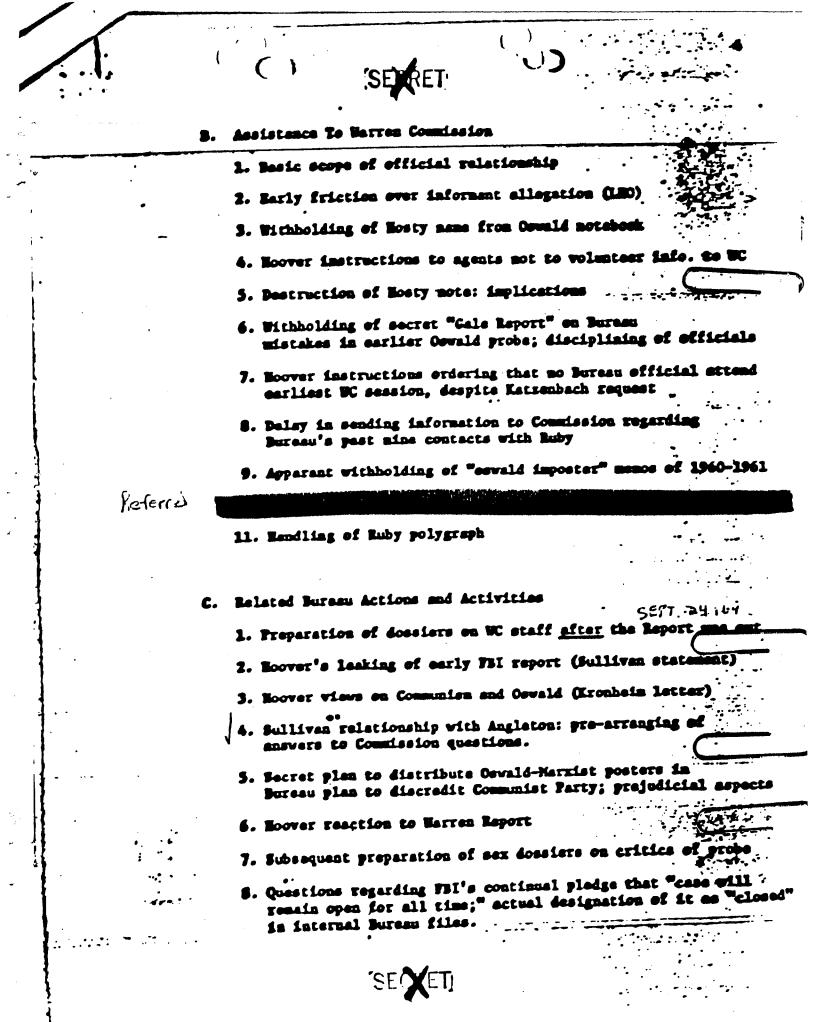
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Re: Appeal Nos. 80-1644 and 81-0533 RLH:PLH

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will be interested to know that these records were u wi 💻 wi as a result of a lead uncovered by Ms. Hubbell during the as pr __ ng of certain documents you requested from the Criminal as 🕳 n that were referred to this Office. The dictabelt and ing documents have been stored for the last several years in doc= = cob So E ce safe of Roger Cubbage, a Criminal Division attorney, ice an assistant to Robert Keuch. an an

Sincerely,

Richard L. Huff, Co-Director Office of Information and Privacy Indices searches were made in the Dallas Field Office to locate material on Mr. Hosty. No main files or miscellaneous files on Mr. Hosty were located; however, there was a general personnel matters file (67-425) containing material on Mr. Hosty relative to the JFK assassination which was processed and, where appropriate, released to plaintiff.

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The New Orleans Field Office conducted indices searches for material on Mr. Garrison. Two files (included in the NO miscellaneous references) were located and processed for release. Two other documents relative to the JFK assassination which contained Mr. Garrison's name (<u>i.e.</u>, see references) were also located and processed. Because Mr. Garrison is a well know public figure in New Orleans, his name was found in numerous other documents, none of which pertained to the Kennedy assassination; accordingly, those documents were not processed.

Finally, no files were located on "critics" or "Warren Commission critics" in either the Dallas or New Orleans Field Offices.

5. Contrary to his assertions, plaintiff has been furnished with all releasable films and tapes relative to the JFR assassination contained in the Dallas and New Orleans Field Offices.

6. In his opposition papers, plaintiff contends that the 94,965 "previously processed" pages should be included in the proposed sample Vaughn Index. As noted in paragraph 4 of my earlier declaration, the "previously processed" documents consist of material in FBIHQ files on the JFK assassination. Those documents were processed prior to this litigation <u>pursuant to a</u> <u>separate FOLA request by plaintiff</u> for FBIHQ records on the Kennedy assassination. Accordingly, when plaintiff later requested DL and NO documents on the JFK assassination, the FBI reviewed all such documents and excluded records duplicative of those that had been processed in the FBIHQ request. To have

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The third criticism presented by plaintiff's counsel with respect to the dequacy of the FBI's search is the assertion that the agency to find to produce certion films, tapes and photographs contained in the Dallas files on the Kenness assassination, "including tapes on "critics" like Jim Garrison and the Dallas police radio broomast." Pl. Opp. at 11. This assertion is false.

All photographs in the Dallas and New Orleans Field Offices' files on the Kennedy assassination, including those referenced by plaintiff's counsel, were processed in response to plaintiff's FOIA requests. Those photographs not subject to a FOIA exemption were provided to plaintiff in the form of photostatic copies.

In addition, I have indicated on a number of occasions that plaintiff has been furnished with all releasable films and tapes relative to the JFK assassination contained in the Dallas and New Orleans Field Offices. (See paragraph 5 of my second declaration, filed on March 22, 1982; paragraph 3(g) of my third declaration, filed on April 15, 1982; paragraph 20 of my fourth declaration, filed on May 3, 1982). In one last attempt to placate plaintiff's doubts, I reiterate that the FBI has notified plaintiff of all films and tapes in the Dallas and New Orleans Field Offices' files which pertain in any manner to the Kennedy assassination, and that he has been provided with copies of those films and tapes which are releasable.

6. The fourth accusation made by plaintiff's counsel in his opposition brief is that the FBI ignored certain parts of plaintiff's FOIA requests. This accusation, similar to the previous ones, has absolutely no foundation.

As I spelled out in great detail in my fourth declaration, filed on May 3, 1982, all records on or pertaining to persons or organizations who figured in the investigation of the Kennedy assassination -- as far as those records were related to that investigation -- were processed and, where appropriate, released

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(d) Whether the FBI searched for records referenced in a Dallas memorandum dated October 23, 1975, attached as Exhibit 11 to Weisberg's Affidavit.

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As I indicated in paragraph 18(e) of my fourth declaration attached to Defendant's Motion for Partial Summary, filed on May 3, 1982, the FBI's search in these cases did locate records concerning the allegations of Mr. William Walter. By letter dated May 15, 1981, plaintiff was provided with the records pertaining to Mr. Walter's allegations that had not been previously processed in the FBIHQ files.^{$\pm/$}

(e) Whether the FBI searched for all films and tapes. As I have stated several times in these cases, **/ plaintiff has been furnished all releasable films and tapes in the Dallas and New Orleans Field Offices which pertain to the JFK assassination. Furthermore, as I indicated in paragraph 3(g) of my third declaration, some tapes and films (this includes the "Thomas Alyea film") were sent to FBIHQ during the investigation and thus are involved in the pending administrative appeal of plaintiff's separate FOIA request for FBIHQ material. Lastly, there are no tapes of "the recorded police radio broadcasts" in either the Dallas or New Orleans Field Offices.***/

*/ Most of the records surrounding Mr. Walter's allegations were previously processed pursuant to a separate FOIA request by plaintiff. That processing of the FBIHQ Kennedy files was explained in paragraph 6 of my second declaration attached to Defendant's Reply to Plaintiff's Opposition to the Motion Concerning the Adjudication of Certain Exemption Claims, filed on March 22, 1982.

**/ See Second Declaration of John N. Phillips, ¶ 5, attached to Defendant's Reply to Plaintiff's Opposition to the Motion Concerning the Adjudication of Certain Exemption Claims, filed on March 22, 1982; Third Declaration of John N. Phillips, ¶ 3(g), attached to Defendant's Response to Plaintiff's Settlement Proposal, filed on April 15, 1982; Fourth Declaration of John N. Phillips, ¶ 20 and 24, attached to Defendant's Motion for Partial Summary Judgment, filed on May 3, 1982; Fifth Declaration of John N. Phillips, ¶ 5, attached to Defendant's Reply to Plaintiff's Opposition to the Motion for Partial Summary Judgment, filed on July 2, 1982; and Seventh Declaration of John N. Phillips, ¶ 3, attached to Defendant's Opposition to Plaintiff's Motion for Order Compelling Photographic Copies of All Movie Films and Still Photographs in the FBI's Dallas and New Orleans Field Offices, filed on August 19, 1982.

***/ It should be noted that a tape of the recorded Dallas police radio broadcasts was made by an FBI official for use by the Warren Commission. However, a copy of that tape was not maintained by the 'Bureau in its files on the assassination.

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21. In addition, the FBI agreed, pursuant to a request by plaintiff's attorney, to furnish him all the indices search slips prepared by the Dallas Field Office. Thus, plaintiff has the capability for determining what files were searched and processed by the FBI in response to his Dallas FOIA request.

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B. Searches Undertaken In The New Orleans Field Office As A Result Of The Administrative Appeal

22. As a result of the Associate Attorney General's decision on plaintiff's administrative appeals, the New Orleans Field Office conducted, again under the direction of Special Agent Clifford H. Anderson, new indices searches for all the subjects listed in that decision. (See paragraph 17, supra). Moreover, an all reference indices search was made for material on George DeMohrenschildt, as well as for "critics" or "criticism" of the assassination investigation.

23. In Pebruary 1981, the New Orleans office advised FBIHQ that no additional "main" or "see" references had been located on the subjects listed by the Associate Attorney General. Likewise, no "main" or "see" references had been found on George DeMohrenschildt (other than an FOIPA administrative instructional document) or on "critics" or "criticism" of the FBI's assassination investigation. However, the New Orleans Field Office did forward to FBIHQ all material filed in 89-69 subsequent to that file having been sent to the FOIPA Section for processing. Upon processing this new material, plaintiff was furnished the releasable portions.

24. Furthermore, as a result of the administrative appeal, the FBI conducted a search for films and tapes contained in the New Orleans Field Office pertaining to the JFK assassination. Two tapes were located and processed: one was released to plaintiff whereas the other was withheld pursuant to (b)(7)(C), (D) of the FOIA. (See paragraph 3(g) of my declaration of April 15, 1982.

25. In addition, the FBI agreed, pursuant to a request by plaintiff's attorney, to furnish plaintiff with all the indices search slips prepared by the New Orleans Field Office. Accordingly, similar to Dallas, plaintiff has the capability for

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d) George DeMohrenschildt

l "main" file: 105-632 - "George DeMohrenschildt." This file consists of an internal security investigation on Mr. DeMohrenschildt beginning in 1940.

1 "see" reference in file 100-8149: caption withheld pursuant to privacy interests.

e) Administrative Files

152 "see" references in the following files:

67-425 - "Personnel Matters General." This is the material on SA James P. Hosty. (151 "see" references).

One file - captioned, "Inquiry Concerning Authenticity of Alleged Teletype Directed to All SACs 11/17/63 Captioned 'Threat To Assassinate President Kennedy, in Dallas, Texas 11/22/63, Miscellaneous Information Concerning.'" This file concerns the allegations of a William Walter that there was a teletype sent to all SACs about a threat to assassinate President Kennedy. (1 "see" reference).

f) <u>Warren Commission and Critics or Criticism of</u> the FBI's Investigation

No additional "main" files or miscellaneous "see" references on the Warren Commission were located. Likewise, no material was found on "critics" or "criticism" of the PBI's assassination investigation.

19. The additional Dallas material listed above was processed and the releasable parts were furnished to plaintiff. Plaintiff was also furnished with all releasable material filed in 89-43 and 44-1639 subsequent to those files having been sent to FBIHQ for processing by the FOIPA Section.

20. Furthermore, as a result of the administrative appeal, the FBI conducted a search for films and tapes contained in the Dallas Field Office pertaining to the JFK assassination. Six films and six tapes were located and processed. As noted in paragraph 3(g) of my declaration of April 15, 1982 (attached to the Defendants' Response to Plaintiff's Settlement Proposal), plaintiff was furnished those films and tapes that were releasable.

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The Bireau establishes control files as another means of maintaining control of information and activities on specific subjects. Control files usually are set up in connection with various investigative activities such as gambling investigations, organized crime programs, political organizations under investigation, protection of the President, and any other topic meding control between the individual case files. For example, a Headquarters control file exists for bank robbery suspects in classification 91, Bank Bobbery. This file, in Beadquarters 91-1419, consists of documents relating to suspects who are the subjects of various classification 91 investigations. Sometimes the control files are lists of other files, mames of organizations and case files numbers, or public correspondence files on a specific case that has drawn public attention.

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Another standard filing procedure is the use of sub-files. At times they are created when the original file is too large and is divided into sub-units, each with its own numerical designation. The Bureau also uses alphabetically designated sub-files to control records such as newsclippings, information reports, and transcripts when they become too voluminous to be included in the main case file. Finally, the Bureau routinely files voluminous enclosures to correspondence or reports directly behind the case file as an enclosurebehind-file (HSF).

Two classifications, 62 (Administrative Inquiries) and 66 (Administrative Matters), were established about 1921 as repositories for miscellaneous administrative files. Bureau manuals list major subject areas for inclusion in the classifications, but there are file topics beyond those subject areas in both classifications. The documentation is voluminous and varied, and thus the classifications are very heterogenous in topics and significance. We we example, classification 62 contains chronic public correspondence files and informant control files. The miscellaneous nature of the two administrative classifications is an aberration from the Bureau's adherance to a strict case file system of records keeping.

Although most of the files maintainance procedures adopted in the Bureau Headquarters are duplicated in Field Offices and overseas Legats, some variations do exist. Field Offices separate their closed and pending investigative files. The latter are retained by the operational unit pursuing the investigation, while the former are centrally maintained in a closed file area. Closed Field Office and Legat files in which there are few serials are frequently consolidated into one volume of records.

Because the files are numbered consecutively, the same case will not have the same number at Headquarters and in the Held Offices. Classification of investigations is idiosyncratic, both in the Held Offices and Headquarters, so that the same cases may be in different classifications in the Held Offices and Headquarters. The OO files in the Held Offices are usually only sopies of policy documents from Headquarters with few internal Held Office documents that would alter the policies in each classification. classification 80 at Headquarters is Laboratory Research Matters, while in the Held Offices it is the public relations classification euphemistically maned Hesearch Matters at Headquarters (classification %).

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