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King assassination records appeals
- Ticklers * Long and
Supervisor J.C. Lawn

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J.C. Lawn is another of the FBIHQ Supervisors who kept a King assassination tickler. No ~~sup~~ tickler has been provided in C.A. 75-1996.

On deposition on July 5 and 6, 1979, FOIA Supervisor Tom Wiseman testified that he consulted Lawn because he believed Lawn knew more about the King assassination than anyone else at FBIHQ.

Of the several references in the transcript I provide two pages on which Wiseman confirms the existence of the Lawn tickler.

On discovery we were provided with copies of correspondence and some internal records relating to this request and compliance. Most of the internal records appear to have been routed to ~~Mr~~ R.E. Long who in his present capacity is, I believe, Assistant Director of Finance and Personnel.

With his involvement in this King FOIA matter, his involvement in the King investigation as a Supervisor who kept a tickler and the FBI's certain knowledge that supervisors kept case ticklers, as disclosed in the Wiseman deposition, the FBI's refusal to search Divisional files, as I requested often, its original insistence that there were no ticklers and no Long Tickler in particular and then its claim not to be able to provide it until I provided the lead, followed by its having been gutted after this instant cause was filed, all becomes pretty suspect.

I appeal the withholding of the Lawn and all other King assassination ticklers. I hope that by now all have not been destroyed.

The Ray litigation is far from ended, so there remains need for the preservation of case ticklers. His most recent move, a little over a week ago, was to file suit against a member of the House assassins committee.