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January 31, 1968

Mr. Edward F. Wegmann
Attorney at Law
1047 National Bank of Commerce Building
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Wegmann:

This is in response to your letter of January 4, 1968, in which you requested us to furnish you with background material on William Turner.

Mr. Turner entered on duty in the Federal Bureau of Investigation on February 5, 1951, as a Special Agent. He was dismissed on July 19, 1961. He appealed to the Civil Service Commission, which sustained the dismissal on August 17, 1962. He then filed a civil action seeking reinstatement. On May 20, 1963, the United States District Court for the District of Columbia granted the Government's motion for summary judgment in this case, and this was affirmed by the Circuit Court of Appeals on April 2, 1964. The United States Supreme Court, on November 9, 1964, denied Mr. Turner's petition for a writ of certiorari.

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The record of these court proceedings is open to the public. If you desire any additional information, you may wish to contact the Civil Service Commission, 1900 E Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

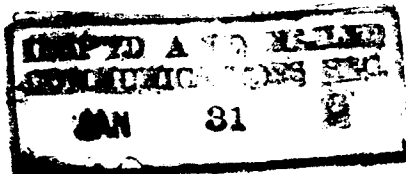
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Sincerely,

FRED M. VINSON, Jr.
Assistant Attorney General

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Bill - letter to Wegmann
~~*Gen. Counsel to Wegmann*~~
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Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

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Assistant Attorney General
Criminal Division

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Enclosed herewith is a copy of a letter recently received from Mr. Edward F. Wegmann, one of the attorneys for Mr. Clay L. Shaw. Mr. Wegmann requests us to furnish him with any available information we may have on Mr. William Turner, the author of the recent Ramparts magazine article which is strongly critical of the FBI's role in the investigation of the assassination of the late President Kennedy.

As Mr. Wegmann notes, and as is suggested by the Ramparts article, it is quite possible that Mr. Turner may be a witness at Mr. Shaw's forthcoming trial. What Mr. Turner will testify to can only be surmised, but it is possible that he will be used in an attempt to discredit the assassination investigation conducted by the FBI and other governmental agencies.

We would appreciate it if you could inform us as to what information, if any, we can furnish to Mr. Wegmann.

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Mr. Nathaniel Cossack
Criminal Division
Office of the Attorney General
of the United States
Justice Department
Washington, D. C.

In re: State of Louisiana
vs. Clay L. Shaw

Dear Mr. Cossack:

No doubt your attention has been called to the article in Ramparts magazine by William Turner, a former member of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, as well as the Bill of Information filed by Jim Garrison against Edgar Eugene Bradley of Hollywood, California. The Bill of Information filed against Mr. Bradley charges him with having conspired with others to murder John F. Kennedy.

It is presently anticipated and expected that the Shaw case will be tried before Judge Haggerty on or about February 13, 1968. We are presently preparing for trial, either on that date or another date during the latter part of February. We anticipate that the State will attempt to use William Turner as one of their witnesses. Such being the case, it will be greatly appreciated if you will furnish me with as much background material on Turner as is available for distribution. We know that he was an FBI Agent at one time. Did he resign from the Service or was he discharged for cause? Was he at any time a member of the White House Secret Service detail. Any information which you can furnish to us will be greatly appreciated.

I await your advices.

Yours sincerely,

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United States Senate
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Dear Senator:

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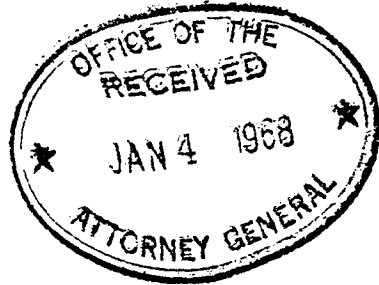
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The Honorable
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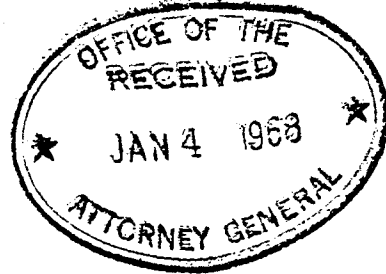
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