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JO NELL HINCHLIFFE (reported to be an associate of RUBY), 2209 Sheridan, furnished the following information:

Miss HINCHLIFFE is a former Braniff Airlines stewardess. During September, 1963, while walking down Commerce Street in Dallas, a man who introduced himself to her as JACK RUBY approached her from the rear, tapped her on her shoulder, apologized for being impolite and told her what a nice looking figure she had and asked her if she would like to go to work as a stripper at the Carousel Club. She refused, at which time he gave her his telephone number and told her if she ever needed any help to call him. After attempting to find work in Dallas without success, she called RUBY and asked him if he knew where she could find a job. He took her to see Mr. ROBERT MAXWELL at the Gilded Cage in Dallas. Mr. MAXWELL, at RUBY's request, gave JO NELL a job as a waitress.

From September, 1963, to the time of RUBY's incarceration, she saw RUBY quite frequently on a social basis and became quite well acquainted with him. Miss HINCHLIFFE considers RUBY to be a loyal American and knows of no subversive activities on his part. He had never expressed any strong political beliefs in her presence. She could offer no reason for RUBY's killing OSWALD but indicated he was a man who formed strong opinions.

Miss HINCHLIFFE advised that LEE HARVEY OSWALD was unknown to her and she knows of no connection between OSWALD and RUBY. She indicated that RUBY was well acquainted with many police officers from the Dallas Police Department but she knew of no officer with whom he was particularly close.

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ALBERT FLOYD HINTON, Midlothian, Texas, whose name was reported as being an acquaintance of RUBY, advised as follows:

HINTON stated that he is almost totally blind and is employed as a house-to-house salesman by the Lighthouse of the Blind, 4306 Capital Street, Dallas.

HINTON advised that during 1952 he was a salesman for laminating equipment for the preservation of documents and in this capacity, he called on JACK RUBY at the Silver Spur Club during that year, exact date unrecalled. RUBY was not interested in purchasing any of this equipment and he has not seen or contacted RUBY since that time.

HINTON stated that inasmuch as he has told various individuals since the shooting of OSWALD that he had met RUBY, he may have given the impression that he was much better acquainted with RUBY than he really is.

He added that he has never seen OSWALD and has no information concerning any possible relationship between OSWALD and RUBY or of the assassination of President KENNEDY or of the shooting of OSWALD on the part of RUBY.

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Mrs. EDWARD G. KUEHN, 4821 Darko, furnished the following information:

Mrs. KUEHN, during the years 1957 - 1962, operated Bo's Barbecue, 1312 Commerce Street. Bo's Barbecue was located on the main floor in the same building as was located RUBY's Sovereign Club and later his Carousel Club. Mrs. KUEHN stated she feels RUBY's method of operation while operating the Carousel Club is the reason for her having to close her barbecue business at 1312 Commerce Street. She stated RUBY's method of advertising and his system of sign display were such that he had infringed upon her building frontage and, in her estimation, drove away her customers. She recalled RUBY sometimes came into her place of business, usually with a group of men, and had coffee and, occasionally, lunch. She stated he was hot tempered and, at times, seemed to be very crude.

Mrs. KUEHN, who now operates Bo's Barbecue, at 912 Commerce Street, advised she last saw RUBY in early November, 1963, when he came into her cafe for a cup of coffee. Prior to that time, she had not seen him since 1962, when she operated her barbecue business at 1312 Commerce Street.

Mrs. KUEHN did not know LEE HARVEY OSWALD, nor could she furnish any information pertaining to any association between OSWALD and RUBY.

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FRANK LA MONTE, 10545 Lennox Lane, telephone number AD 5-2349, advised as follows:

He first knew JACK RUBY over nine or ten years ago in Dallas but has not seen him in the last three or four years. He could recall having seen RUBY two times in the Vegas Club and had seen him at different eating places on only two or three occasions several years ago. He had discussions with RUBY only two or three times, always regarding business and usually while in a group of people. Because of the limited association he had little or no knowledge concerning RUBY's personality and had no idea whatever as to his political or philosophical attitudes.

He did not know LEE HARVEY OSWALD and therefore knew of no association between RUBY and OSWALD.

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CHARLES LANDIS, also known as Chuck Landis, residence at 3730 Crownridge Drive, Sherman Oaks, California, phone ST 9-4000 telephonically advised he is the President-Owner of the "Largo Club", 9009 Sunset Boulevard, Hollywood, California, phone 878-2222. He said the "Largo Club" is a night club for "strippers".

LANDIS said he did not know LEE HARVEY OSWALD. About late October, 1963, he met JACK L. RUBY at the Carousel Club, Dallas, Texas, where LANDIS went to view WALLY WESTON, a burlesque comic. LANDIS had two drinks there and left to meet with "PAPPY" DOLSON, 1500 Jackson Street, Dallas, the agent for WALLY WESTON. LANDIS returned to the Carousel Club with DOLSON to meet WALLY WESTON. While there, he met RUBY having been introduced to RUBY by WESTON. During the conversation LANDIS advised RUBY he, LANDIS, was residing at the Adolphus Hotel in Dallas.

The following day LANDIS called the hotel to see if he had any messages and was advised that JACK RUBY had called LANDIS. LANDIS called RUBY from DOLSON's office, at which time he inquired of LANDIS if he was busy at that time. LANDIS said he was not at which time RUBY asked LANDIS if he desired to take a trip with RUBY. RUBY picked up LANDIS at DOLSON's office, at which time RUBY said he was going to the "Dr. Pepper Plant" in Dallas. RUBY indicated to LANDIS that he was going to that plant concerning some unknown type of "gadget" or concerning some unknown type of merchandising.

When they initially arrived at the "Dr. Pepper Plant", RUBY went inside to the lobby and LANDIS remained outside in the car. After a wait of an unrecalled amount of time LANDIS said it became warm in the car and he went into the lobby of the plant which he presumed was airconditioned. When LANDIS entered the lobby RUBY was still waiting in the lobby. Finally the receptionist came and took RUBY inside to see an unknown individual.

When RUBY came out to the lobby after his business visit, RUBY asked LANDIS if he was in a hurry to which LANDIS said, "no". RUBY thereafter drove by an apartment in Dallas to pick up his sister, EVA GRANT, and they drove her to the night club she operated, possibly the Sovereign Club. He said this

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club was on an unrecalled street and there was no burlesque at this club. RUBY indicated EVA operated this club. RUBY then returned LANDIS to the Adolphus Hotel. Prior to departing RUBY told LANDIS he would contact him that evening.

RUBY contacted LANDIS later that evening and came by the hotel to pick up LANDIS. They had dinner at an unrecalled restaurant and thereafter stopped for "a couple of drinks" at a new hotel, which according to RUBY was connected with DORIS DAY. RUBY subsequently left LANDIS at LANDIS's hotel.

The next day LANDIS went to the Carousel Club to see WALLY WESTON, at which time he met EARL NORMAN, a burlesque comic, who is presently working at the "Largo Club".

LANDIS said RUBY personally inquired of LANDIS about the burlesque business, the amount of money made by the "strippers" and similar types of questions. He said no political or other type of conversation was had between them. He said RUBY appeared to him to be a very friendly individual, that was "flighty acting" meaning that he moved fast or would leave an area hurriedly. He said he had no additional pertinent information concerning RUBY.

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Miss BESSIE MARGARET LEAVELLE, residence South Apartments, 405 Main Street, South Houston, Texas, telephone HU 4-1226, upon interview at her present place of employment, Andy's Inn, 9910 Galveston Road, South Houston, furnished the following:

She was born October 14, 1943, and has been married and divorced. During the summer of 1963, she lived with her mother, Mrs. VERA LACHAUSSE, in Rockwall, Texas, her mother having been then employed at Southern Trust and Mortgage Company, Dallas, Texas. In July or August, 1963, she sought to obtain a job as a waitress in Dallas. The Carousel Club, which is operated by JACK RUBY in Dallas, is located very close to the Southern Trust and Mortgage Company. Accordingly, she went to the Carousel Club one evening in either July or August, 1963, asked to speak with the proprietor, and in that manner met JACK RUBY for the first time. She told him she wanted a job as a waitress. He asked her concerning her previous experience, and specifically wanted to know if she was a stripper. He wrote down her name and the telephone number of her grandfather, W. W. BOSS, Rockwall, Texas, and said he would call her if he could use her. She felt RUBY did not seriously consider hiring her because she was only twenty years of age. She then went to the Music Bar located around the corner from the Carousel Club and obtained a job as a waitress. She stayed on that job for about three weeks, and a short time thereafter came to Houston, Texas, with her mother. She is presently employed at Andy's Inn as a waitress and bar maid.

Miss LEAVELLE advised this was the only time she had met JACK RUBY, and LEE HARVEY OSWALD was unknown to her.

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Mr. ROBERT MAXWELL (associate of RUBY), 3717 Rawlins, furnished the following information:

MAXWELL first met JACK RUBY during 1948 or 1949 when RUBY was operating the Silver Spur Club and MAXWELL went to the club as a customer. From 1948 until about 1958 MAXWELL saw RUBY on an infrequent basis. In about 1958, MAXWELL went into the private club business and opened the Gilded Cage. After MAXWELL had opened the Gilded Cage, RUBY visited this club four or five times each year.

On one occasion, MAXWELL recalls that RUBY came to the Gilded Cage and asked MAXWELL to hire a girl by the name of JO NELL, which MAXWELL did. JO NELL worked for MAXWELL as a waitress for several months during 1960 or 1961. MAXWELL did not know the relationship between JO NELL and RUBY but indicated it was not unusual for RUBY to try to give a girl a helping hand.

MAXWELL, during this period, did not become closely associated with him and knows nothing concerning RUBY's personal life or political beliefs. MAXWELL considers RUBY to be a loyal American and knows of no subversive activities on the part of RUBY.

LEE HARVEY OSWALD is unknown to MAXWELL and he knows of no connection between OSWALD and RUBY. MAXWELL knows of no police officer with whom RUBY was particular close.

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CLAUDE D. MERRELL, 2247 Lea Crest, Dallas, Texas, employed as chef, Copper Cow Restaurant, 1519 Commerce Street, Dallas, furnished the following information:

MERRELL has known JACK RUBY since about 1948 or 1949. At that time MERRELL was employed at the Royal Grill located across from the Adolphus Hotel on Commerce, Dallas, and JACK RUBY frequently came into the Royal Grill to eat. Subsequently, in the latter part of 1959, JOE SLATIN and MERRELL were planning to open a club at 1312-1/2 Commerce Street. SLATIN was to handle the front of the club and MERRELL was to operate the kitchen. They purchased some equipment, but before they could get started SLATIN ran out of money and he came to MERRELL and asked him if he would mind if they took in RUBY as a partner in this club.

MERRELL said he did not like JACK RUBY and did not approve of going into business with him, and he withdrew from the operation. At this time also, SLATIN decided to sell his interest to RUBY and did sell to RUBY for \$1,500.00. Sometime in 1960, after SLATIN and MERRELL had withdrawn from the club, RUBY decided to incorporate as S & R, Inc., and since he needed three signatures on the incorporation papers, he requested SLATIN and MERRELL to sign the papers for him, which they agreed to do. They did not have any interest in the business and MERRELL actually signed as a favor to JOE SLATIN. RUBY later told MERRELL that he got the money to open the club from his brother in Chicago. MERRELL has never been in the club since that time and has had no contact with RUBY. He has seen him on the street in downtown Dallas since that time, however, has no knowledge of his associates or activities.

MERRELL said he first developed a dislike for RUBY while MERRELL was chef at the Royal Grill because RUBY always complained about the way his steaks were cooked. He also believed that RUBY was possibly homosexual. MERRELL had no specific information to this effect; however, he frequently observed RUBY accompanied by men and seldom saw him in the presence of women and, for this reason, assumed that he was a homosexual. He is not acquainted with any of the male companions of JACK RUBY. RUBY impressed him as the type who always wanted to be a "big shot". He was quick-tempered and MERRELL has heard that he mistreated waitresses and

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other employees at the club; however, he was never present on these occasions and has no personal knowledge of this. MERRELL recalled that on one occasion shortly after JACK RUBY took over the club MERRELL saw him come to the club on one occasion carrying a pistol in his coat pocket.

MERRELL can furnish no additional information concerning JACK RUBY. MERRELL did not know LEE HARVEY OSWALD and has no knowledge of any connection between RUBY and OSWALD.

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DAVE L. MILLER, 5610 Lewis Street, Apartment D, who received a letter from JACK RUBY following RUBY's arrest, advised as follows:

Mr. MILLER stated that he is manager of the Enquire Shine and Press Shop, 1322 Commerce Street, which establishment is owned by his brother, ISIDORE MILLER. Mr. MILLER further informed that this establishment is located just two doors from the Carousel Club where RUBY has been operating a strip-type entertainment. He added that RUBY has regularly parked his automobile in a garage located between the Carousel and MILLER's place of business.

MILLER stated that through his employment, he has known RUBY for three years inasmuch as RUBY has regularly brought laundry and dry cleaning to this place and, as a consequence, a regular and continuous acquaintance has been developed. He also stated that on two or three occasions he has visited the Carousel Club as a customer but has never belonged to any of RUBY's clubs. RUBY also has dropped in from time to time on his way to or from the Carousel Club to say hello and also to have his shoes shined by one of the shoe shine boys.

MILLER advised that he has never discussed politics with RUBY and knows him only as a friendly, congenial person.

MILLER stated that he last saw RUBY on two brief occasions, the first being about 5:30 PM on November 22, 1963, when RUBY stopped by for just a minute or so on his way to or from the Carousel Club. At that time RUBY asked, "What do you think about that S.O.B. shooting the President?" referring to the assassination of President KENNEDY. He did not mention OSWALD's name and gave no indication that he ever saw or knew OSWALD. He gave no indication that he was more upset over the assassination than the average individual.

RUBY last appeared at MILLER's place of business about 5:30 PM on November 23, 1963, when he dropped in and asked MILLER not to display a sign advertising the Carousel Club, explaining that the club was closed due to the assassination. MILLER explained that for some time he has posted an advertisement for

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RUBY in MILLER's window on Saturday evenings. MILLER stated that RUBY was walking and alone on each of the above-cited occasions, but he assumed that RUBY had either just parked his car in the adjacent garage or was going to get his car from the garage.

MILLER stated that in the letter he received from RUBY following his incarceration, RUBY asked him to say hello to SAM (HICKS) and DWAYNE (ARMSTRONG) and "the other boy", three colored shoe shine boys who knew RUBY only casually and as a customer in their shoe shine business. The third boy's name MILLER has forgotten since he is no longer employed.

MILLER stated that he never knew LEE HARVEY OSWALD and never had any reason to suspect that there was a relationship or acquaintance between OSWALD and RUBY. He added that he has no information concerning the shooting of OSWALD by RUBY or of RUBY's gaining entrance to the basement of the Police Department prior to the shooting.

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GLEN D. NEAL, 4712 Gaston Street, advised as follows:

He is employed by the Dallas Police Department and has known JACK RUBY six and one-half years. He has seen JACK RUBY many times on official business and has been in his clubs after duty hours with his wife. He is not associated socially with RUBY but has had occasion to see him in dealings with his employees and based on this, considered RUBY a perfectionist who had unnecessarily given employees a "hard time" if conditions were not just as he desired them. His conversations with RUBY have been limited to club business and women and he has no idea as to RUBY's political or philosophical attitudes.

He has no knowledge of LEE HARVEY OSWALD other than that obtained through newspaper accounts following OSWALD's arrest and he therefore knew of no association between RUBY and OSWALD.

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The name ART NELSON was found in a book which was the property of JACK L. RUBY, showing that NELSON was possibly a member of one of RUBY's clubs in Dallas, Texas.

On December 20, 1963, the San Francisco Office advised as follows with regard to ART NELSON:

ALLEN RYAN NELSON, also known as ART NELSON, disk jockey, Station KEWB, Oakland, California, on December 20, 1963, advised that he was with Station KLIF in Dallas, Texas, for about thirteen years. He was in Dallas from 1948 until 1958 and then went to Los Angeles, California, for a year and returned to Dallas until 1961, when he went to Los Angeles, and then to Oakland, California, in 1962.

He stated he met JACK L. RUBY at the Silver Spur Night Club in Dallas, Texas, in about 1951 or 1952. He claims RUBY made it a point to know members of the various news media and frequented Radio Station KLIF for purposes of publicity and spot announcements and may have purchased spots with Radio Station KLIF.

NELSON advised that he was a member of RUBY's Carousel Club in Dallas but cannot recall if RUBY gave him membership or if he paid membership, but he joined this club in view of the strict liquor laws in Texas.

Mr. NELSON said he last saw RUBY in 1960 in Texas and never saw or associated with him on the West Coast. He advised he was not a social friend of RUBY but only saw him at the club and never engaged in long conversation. He said he did not know of RUBY's political opinions. He stated he never knew or saw LEE HARVEY OSWALD at RUBY's club and did not know of any acquaintance between RUBY and OSWALD.

He advised that RUBY had a quick temper. This opinion was based on his observance of RUBY's dealings with his night club customers.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA EDMOND C. HARDIN at Dallas, Texas, on January 6, 1964:

ELIZABETH JEAN NELSON aka Jean Nelson, 3909 Inwood Drive, Apartment 215, whose name was furnished by Mr. E. MACE NAYLOR, as having told him that a party was held on November 20, 1963, in the apartment of FRANK T. TORTORIELLO, at which party RUBY was believed to have been present, furnished the following information:

Miss NELSON advised she does not know RUBY and has never met or seen him to her knowledge. She stated she did not attend a party allegedly held on November 20, 1963, in the apartment of FRANK T. TORTORIELLO, but was told by ANN BRYANT, Apartment 106, same address, that Mrs. BRYANT had attended such a party briefly and believed that one individual she met at this party was JACK RUBY. Miss NELSON stated she believes she understood from Mrs. BRYANT that JOE F. FEDERICI (formerly spelled by her as FREDERICI) and his wife, SANDY FEDERICI, who reside in Apartment 110, of this address, also attended this party. She stated she does not know whether Mr. and Mrs. FEDERICI have ever been acquainted with RUBY, but she does know they are friendly with TORTORIELLO. She added that the FEDERICIS moved into the apartment at this address in February, 1963, and he is allegedly employed in the management consultant business at Dallas for his father, who allegedly resides in Trenton, New Jersey.

Miss NELSON stated she did not know LEE HARVEY OSWALD and has no information whatsoever concerning the assassination of President KENNEDY or the shooting of OSWALD by RUBY.

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Mrs. HARRIS D. BRYANT aka Mrs. Ann Bryant, 3909 Inwood Drive, Apartment 106, whose name was furnished by E. MACE NAYLOR as having attended a party on November 20, 1963, at Apartment 104, same address, at which party RUBY was allegedly present, furnished the following information:

Mrs. BRYANT stated that about 1:00 or 1:30 AM, on November 20 or 21, 1963, she was in her apartment alone and at that time FRANK T. TORTORIELLO, who resides in Apartment 104, same address, came to her apartment accompanied by a young woman unknown to Mrs. BRYANT. TORTORIELLO explained he had come to her apartment to request some ice, inasmuch as he had run out and needed some for friends he was entertaining in his apartment. He invited Mrs. BRYANT to his apartment for "a couple of drinks," which invitation she accepted. She went to TORTORIELLO's apartment and stayed thirty or forty minutes and had two or three drinks there. Upon arriving, she noticed that all present, except TORTORIELLO, were strangers. There were at that time, in addition to TORTORIELLO, four men and three women. She was introduced all around hurriedly and did not recall the names of any of the individuals but, after the shooting of OSWALD by RUBY, she saw RUBY's photograph in the newspaper, and noticed that this photograph looked familiar to one of the men present at the TORTORIELLO party. This man was apparently there with a young woman who had what Mrs. BRYANT described as a theatrical appearance. She was about twenty-five years of age, tall, brunette, and spoke with a slight accent, which may have been an accent of someone of Germanic origin. She heard someone, name not recalled, state that this woman was the wife of the man who resembled RUBY's photograph. She and this man left together a few minutes before Mrs. BRYANT left. She does not recall anything this man may have said and cannot recall the gist of any conversation she or any other person there may have had with him.

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Mrs. BRYANT stated that the other two women present were attractive young women, in their mid-twenties. One of the women was an attractive blonde, who was tall and slender, and had a less theatrical appearance than the other two women. The other woman was a brunette, slightly taller than average, who had superficial hair and wore heavy make-up, and had a decided theatrical appearance. These women danced with two young men present and appeared to be rather friendly with them. The third man present, according to Mrs. BRYANT, was a man about fifty-five years of age, who had white hair and who conversed most of the time with TORTORIELLO.

Mrs. BRYANT advised that neither Mr. nor Mrs. JOE FEDERICI was present at the above-described party and she does not know whether they are acquainted with RUBY. She added that she does know they are acquainted with TORTORIELLO, but does not know the extent of their relationship with him. She added that "JADA," an exotic dancer who formerly worked for RUBY, was not present at the party, although she was known to Mrs. BRYANT and was allegedly a girlfriend of TORTORIELLO.

Mrs. BRYANT informed that since the above-described party she has not seen the individual resembling RUBY mentioned above, and is not certain in her own mind that this individual was actually RUBY. She stated she has never known LEE HARVEY OSWALD and has no information concerning the assassination of President KENNEDY or the shooting of OSWALD on the party of RUBY.

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CLARENCE NEWSOM, Care Of Segals Liquors, Akard and Commerce Streets, advised as follows:

He is known as "BUCK" NEWSOM and has known JACK RUBY approximately four years. His dealings with RUBY have been on a strictly business basis, as RUBY buys merchandise for his club at the store. In recent months, RUBY has had an open account of around \$200 and NEWSOM has made continued efforts to collect on his account. He said RUBY would exhibit a large roll of bills when asked for payment and would manage to find \$10 for partial payment on his account. RUBY has a current open account just in excess of \$80 at Segals Liquors and RUBY had mentioned to NEWSOM on one occasion when he was attempting to make a collection that Segals was not alone in their financial problems with him as he owed others, including the Dallas newspapers. NEWSOM did not know the extent of RUBY's financial obligations, but considered him poor credit.

It was NEWSOM's belief that RUBY was possibly homosexual as he had heard numerous comments "on the block" to this effect and he recalled one situation where one of the several young men, whom RUBY on occasion would have living with him, was in the liquor store, and the following episode took place: The young boy had indicated to RUBY he was having a date with a girl and RUBY beat him badly and tore his shirt from his back. NEWSOM had no direct knowledge regarding the homosexual tendencies of RUBY and since he did not know LEE HARVEY OSWALD, knew of no association whatever between RUBY and OSWALD.

NEWSOM said GENE BARNETT and "CATFISH" HANSEN are police officers who work the Akard and Commerce intersection.

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Mr. WILLIAM NITSCHKE, P. O. Box 309, Duncanville, Texas, (on December 3, 1963, JACK RUBY wrote BILL NITSCHKE, c/o Shady Rest Home, Duncanville, Texas) was located at the Shady Side Home for aged people. Mr. NITSCHKE furnished the following information:

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NITSCHKE met RUBY during the early 1950's through CECIL and JEAN HAMLIN, who were associated with RUBY at the Silver Spur Club, in Dallas, Texas. During the period from 1950 to November 24, 1963, NITSCHKE visited RUBY frequently at the Silver Spur, Vegas and Carousel Clubs. On each of these occasions, RUBY always bought drinks for NITSCHKE and allowed him to sit around the clubs, listen to music and, while at the Carousel Club, see the show.

NITSCHKE knows little concerning RUBY's personal life or political beliefs, but knows him to be a loyal American citizen and has heard of no subversive activities on the part of RUBY. LEE HARVEY OSWALD is unknown to NITSCHKE and he knows of no relationship between RUBY and OSWALD. NITSCHKE knows of no police officers with whom RUBY was particularly close. NITSCHKE last saw JACK RUBY approximately three months prior to the assassination of President KENNEDY.

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Mr. WALLACE R. RASH, also known as WALLY RASH, WILLIE RASH, who has been previously interviewed furnished the following information:

Mr. RASH informed that he is the operator of Truth Verification, Inc., 2818 Maple Avenue. He stated he was formerly a police officer with the Dallas Police Department and in that capacity he first began to know JACK RUBY and his sister, EVA GRANT.

Mr. RASH advised that at about 10:45 AM on January 6, 1964, he received a telephone call from RUBY's sister, EVA GRANT, who indicated that RUBY had requested her to give Mr. RASH a "ring" for him and to request Mr. RASH to "drop" RUBY a postcard or letter, presumably to help boost RUBY's morale. Mr. RASH stated that he may send RUBY a postcard in view of this request and in view of his long-standing acquaintance and friendship with RUBY. He added that if he does send RUBY a card or other communication, it will be for no other purpose. He stated that he does not know whether RUBY may have had an ulterior motive in having his sister call him such as possible assistance but he added that he will not contemplate doing anything for or concerning RUBY without first getting in touch with FBI or checking with RUBY's attorneys, concerning the nature of any possible future request which may be made by RUBY.

Mr. RASH stated that during his conversation with Mrs. GRANT, Mrs. GRANT mentioned that she has no idea why RUBY killed OSWALD but indicated that it was due to the fact that RUBY was so upset over the assassination of President KENNEDY. She stated on two or three occasions that she did not realize on November 22, 1963, following the assassination, that RUBY was "so sick over the President being killed". She added that she was very fond of President KENNEDY herself and stated, referring to RUBY, "it just killed him. I tell you part of him died that day. He just never got over it." Mrs. GRANT also mentioned during this conversation that her family put up most of the money in connection with the operation of RUBY's Carousel Club and that RUBY must not have put up over \$1,000.00 himself. She

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added "RALPH PAUL must have put in a fortune, but he ain't telling". She continued by saying that business was poor at the Carousel Club before the assassination and presently is worse. RASH stated that at one point during the conversation, Mrs. GRANT stated that their father died at 88 years of age and "we didn't take it so hard. JACK for sure didn't", referring to the assassination of the President. She also mentioned that JACK is receiving money from time to time through the mails and that her family did not have "that kind of money" to pay for expensive lawyers. She also stated that RUBY was receiving quite a bit of correspondence and "gets some lousy cards sometimes". RASH advised that Mrs. GRANT ended her conversation by again requesting that RASH drop a postcard or letter to RUBY to let him know she called.

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ROBERT W. RICHARDS, 4508 Cedar Springs, Apartment 102, Telephone Number LA 6-6097, advised as follows:

He had known JACK RUBY on a limited social basis for approximately six years. He had been a member of the Sovereign Club, several years ago, which club he knew RUBY had operated. He had seen RUBY on several occasions at the club and on two or three occasions RUBY had attended parties at his residence. He explained RUBY would show up, uninvited, as did many people in show business who would come to the party when they heard there was one.

He had never discussed anything but general topics with RUBY and then only on a limited basis, and it was his opinion RUBY was a normal-type person who was interested in everyday activities involving people.

He did not know LEE HARVEY OSWALD and, therefore, knew of no association between RUBY and OSWALD.

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Mrs. TRAVIS M. RICHARDSON, 11425 Park Central, telephone number EM 1-1267, advised as follows:

Her husband had visited the Vegas Club, operated by JACK RUBY, on one occasion and he had mentioned this to her following the shooting of LEE HARVEY OSWALD because of the coincidence. She and her husband had discussed the fact that he had met RUBY and it had been interesting to bring this point to the attention of some of their friends as it served as conversation material. Her husband is currently out of town on an extended business trip and she is reasonably certain he was only in the above club on one occasion and met JACK RUBY only on that one occasion. She explained that the name FRANCIS M. RICHARDSON has been erroneously placed on some of their credit cards and also in the City Directory for Dallas, merely through an error and that without a doubt, if the name FRANCIS M. RICHARDSON had been listed as a member of one of JACK RUBY's clubs, it would refer to them as she was certain RUBY had obtained their name at the time Mr. RICHARDSON indicated he wanted to join the club. Neither she nor her husband had any further knowledge of JACK RUBY and since neither knew LEE HARVEY OSWALD she felt there was no association between RUBY and OSWALD as far as she knew.

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ANTHONY GEORGE RIZZO (reported to be an associate of RUBY), 934 Magellan Circle, furnished the following information:

RIZZO is an entertainer who works as a master of ceremonies and as a vocalist in local Dallas night clubs. He has known JACK RUBY for about two years and on numerous occasions RIZZO has stopped at the Carousel Club for the last show and to drink coffee and talk to JACK RUBY. RIZZO last saw RUBY on the night of November 20, 1963, and on this occasion RUBY asked RIZZO to go to work for him. Since RIZZO was already employed he refused RUBY's offer.

RIZZO considers RUBY to be a loyal American and knows of no subversive activities on the part of RUBY. RIZZO could not offer an explanation for RUBY's having shot OSWALD but did not believe that this act grew out of any strong patriotic belief. RIZZO has never seen RUBY with a gun and never knew him to carry a gun.

RIZZO does not know of and had never seen LEE HARVEY OSWALD prior to the time he shot President KENNEDY. RIZZO knew of no connection between RUBY and OSWALD. According to RIZZO, RUBY was acquainted with numerous police officers from the Dallas Police Department but he knows of no police officer with whom RUBY was especially close.

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CHRIS THOMAS SEMOS, 1630 Cedar Hill, Dallas, Texas, owner Semos Restaurant, 605 Fort Worth Avenue, Dallas, furnished the following information:

He met JACK RUBY during the early part of 1950 through RALPH PAUL who with JOE BONDS operated the Sky Club, a night club which is adjacent to his restaurant. SEMOS said he thought RUBY was "crazy as hell", and he "ran" him out of his restaurant on numerous occasions. He said RUBY was loud, vulgar, crude and uncouth and that he exhibited all of these traits in his restaurant. He said RUBY would come in the restaurant, place his feet all over the upholstery and would act in a generally disgusting manner.

He said when he first met RUBY, he, RUBY, was operating a hillbilly club, name not recalled, and would dress in gawdy western style clothing. He said while RUBY was running this club, PAUL loaned him \$15,000 to \$17,000 when RUBY had trouble with the Internal Revenue Service. He said he does not know that this money was ever repaid but recalls one instance when PAUL mentioned the money to RUBY and RUBY pulled out a \$10 bill and gave it to PAUL. He said PAUL spit on the money and threw it in RUBY's face.

SEMOS said he was never in RUBY's company socially and has visited his clubs, specifically the Sovereign Club, on only one occasion. He said he has heard many things about RUBY; i.e., he was bi-sexual, and was difficult to get along with, having numerous fights with his patrons and employees. He said he has no first-hand knowledge of any of RUBY's activities.

SEMOS said he heard a JIMMY DUNN, an insurance executive from either Lexington or Louisville, Kentucky, put up the money for RUBY to open the Sovereign Club. He said he understands a JOE SLATIN "fronted" for the club. He said DUNN's wife formerly worked at the Colony Club and they, Mr. and Mrs. DUNN, subsequently operated the bar on Commerce Street where the Sip-and-Nip Club is now located.

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SEMOS said he and PAUL were partners in the operation of the Miramar Club from 1954 to 1956. He said they had a dispute, over PAUL's treatment of patrons, and he subsequently bought PAUL out. He said he thereafter did not speak to PAUL until approximately August, 1962, and has only seen him on rare occasions since that time.

He said PAUL was a highly volatile type person, of the same temperament as RUBY. He said PAUL was extremely generous on occasions and would "give you the shirt off his back if he liked you".

SEMOS said LEE HARVEY OSWALD was unknown to him. He said he does not recall seeing OSWALD at RUBY's club, or in his company. He said he does not recall seeing him at the Sky Club or Miramar Club or in the company of PAUL or BONDS.

He said he has no information that RUBY or PAUL were affiliated with any subversive organizations.

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LEO UKIN SHERIN, 525 North Crescent Heights, Los Angeles, telephone 651-1426, was interviewed at the Mauna Loa Motel, 80-880 Highway 111, Indio, California.

SHERIN said he met JACK RUBY during August, 1958 when RUBY came into the "University Club", Dallas, Texas, where SHERIN was playing piano. RUBY introduced himself to SHERIN and mentioned they had mutual friends, names not recalled by SHERIN. SHERIN saw RUBY occasionally thereafter at the "University Club" and also at RUBY's nightclub, "The Carousel." RUBY on occasions attempted to hire SHERIN to work for RUBY at "The Carousel", but SHERIN refused this employment because he did not want to play in a burlesque house.

SHERIN did not know RUBY's background and did not believe RUBY had any hoodlum connections. RUBY never discussed Communism, or ever mentioned "The Fair Play for Cuba Committee." He never expressed any radical or extremist views to SHERIN. SHERIN described RUBY as a lonely, overly dramatic person, who wanted to be liked by everyone. RUBY was constantly paying for dinner checks and giving people presents in order to have people like him. He was always inviting members of the Dallas Police Department to see the show at "The Carousel" and gave them coffee and sandwiches. On occasion a Dallas police officer would buy a drink and send it to one of the female performers at the burlesque house. RUBY would advise the officer not to waste his money on that girl as she had a boy friend and would then point to, or name, another girl and advise the officer "She will play." SHERIN could not recall the names of any police officers who frequented RUBY's club and did not know whether any officer ever "followed through" with girls suggested by RUBY.

RUBY never exhibited any great interest in politics, but had made statements to SHERIN that former President KENNEDY was a great man. SHERIN felt RUBY was over-sensitive, explaining that if one of the entertainers of the club was a couple of minutes late, he would go into a tirade.

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SHERIN met RUBY's sister, EVA GRANT, who ran the "Las Vegas Club" in Dallas for RUBY, but SHERIN did not know her well, or become acquainted with her friends or associates. SHERIN said he feels that if RUBY determines where SHERIN resides he will try to call SHERIN as a character witness. SHERIN feels RUBY is a nice person and he would consider being a character witness for RUBY if he could first talk to RUBY. He feels RUBY would tell him why he killed OSWALD.

RUBY did not know LEE HARVEY OSWALD, or have any association with OSWALD, to the best of SHERIN's knowledge. The only close associate of RUBY known to SHERIN was RUBY's roommate, GEORGE SENATOR. SHERIN departed Dallas about one week prior to the assassination of President KENNEDY. He recalled that about one week prior to his departure he observed the owner of the "Largo Club", a Los Angeles, California club, in Dallas visiting with RUBY. SHERIN did not recall the name of the owner of the "Largo Club."

Date January 6, 1964

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Mr. EUGENE E. SMITH, 1524a Jefico Boulevard, Arnold, Missouri, was interviewed at his home and furnished the following information: 7-273

SMITH stated that at one time he had been on the Radio Patrol Squad of the Dallas, Texas Police Department and on several occasions had picked up persons at JACK RUBY's Silver Spur Night Club in Dallas. He stated that this was a fairly common thing as he believed RUBY employed his own special policemen who would make arrests of persons causing disturbances in the night club and subsequently notify the Dallas police for pickup. SMITH stated that he met RUBY in late 1951 or early 1952 and saw him off and on until 1957 when he, SMITH, left the Dallas Police Department. He stated that he was known only to RUBY as a visitor and customer and as a police officer but never outside of the club in any social capacity whatsoever. He stated that RUBY was well known to run his club with a firm hand and he described RUBY as a likeable person but one whom he felt was "queer as a three dollar bill". He stated that he meant by this that RUBY acted in what seemed to him to be a rather effeminate manner but not as a homosexual. He stated that it was just RUBY's general mannerisms that made him appear to be this way.

SMITH said that he could not recall the people that RUBY was known to associate with as in almost all cases the persons SMITH saw him with were merely customers of his night club. He stated that RUBY had introduced him to his wife, the former REVA YOUNG, one evening when SMITH wanted to dance with her. A year later on their first anniversary, RUBY presented them with a bottle of champagne as a present.

SMITH also stated that he never knew of RUBY to associate with any extremist or persons of questionable characters. He stated that he could not recall ever hearing RUBY mention the name OSWALD but he pointed out that of course this was six or seven years ago and OSWALD would have been only a teenager at that time.

SMITH acknowledged knowing that his wife REVA had sent JACK RUBY a Christmas card just prior to Christmas, 1963, but had cautioned her against sending it in view of the current investigation to do with RUBY and OSWALD.

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At this time, Mr. SMITH produced a letter postmarked December 31, 1963, Dallas, Texas, and addressed to The Smith family, 1524a Jeffco Boulevard, Arnold, Missouri. He stated that this letter was from JACK RUBY and that his wife had received it in the afternoon mail of January 2, 1964. He stated that the letter arrived just after his wife was interviewed by St. Louis agents of the FBI. He stated that the FBI was welcome to make a transcript of the letter but that he and his wife would like to keep the letter in their possession unless advised to the contrary. He did state, in addition, that should the FBI require the letter itself he would readily turn it over to St. Louis agents.

The contents of this letter are as follows:

"County Jail  
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"Dear Smitty & wife:

"Thank for you so much for your prayers and kind thoughts. May God bless you both and yours for a wonderful 1964 of health and happiness.

"I always wondered what had happened to both of you.

"Your Christmas card was one of the nicest I've received, and I shall always treasure it close to my heart, your expressions and feelings for me still have given me quite a lift in spirit and faith.

"Some day God willing, I hope we may see each other to meet again.

"If by chance you have a snapshot, please mail some to me. With kindest regards,

"Your friend always

"/S/ Jack Ruby"

Date 1/15/64

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Detective ROY E. STANDIFER, Burglary and Theft Division, Dallas Police Department, residence 550 Wild Rose, Dallas, interviewed on the basis of information received that a Lieutenant ROY of the Burglary and Theft Division, Dallas Police Department, frequented the Carousel Club, furnished the following information:

STANDIFER has worked in the Burglary and Theft Division, Dallas Police Department, for the past eleven years. He is ranked as detective; however, some persons consider all detectives as lieutenants and occasionally refer to them as lieutenants. STANDIFER is the only officer in the Burglary and Theft Division with the name ROY, and he is known as ROY rather than referred to as STANDIFER.

STANDIFER has known JACK RUBY for approximately thirteen years. He first met RUBY at the Silver Spur Club on South Ervay Street, Dallas, while at this club on official business in connection with a complaint received. He knew RUBY as a club operator in Dallas and when RUBY was operating the Vegas Club on Oak Lawn Avenue. He also went to the Vegas Club in connection with a complaint. STANDIFER has never been to the Carousel Club. He has met and talked with RUBY on several occasions during the past thirteen years when RUBY would come to the police building or when he would run into him on the street.

He has had no close association with RUBY at any time and has never visited with him socially. RUBY frequently came to the police building, was widely known among police officers and liked to refer to the officers by first name as though they were close friends of his. He has known RUBY to inquire of an officer concerning the name of an officer with whom he was not acquainted and thereafter RUBY would greet this officer by first name as though well acquainted with him.

About thirty days prior to the assassination of President KENNEDY, RUBY called the Burglary and Theft Division and talked to STANDIFER concerning installation of a safe at the Carousel Club. He wanted someone from this division to come to the club and assist him in spotting the safe in the proper location.

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Subsequently, on the night of November 22, 1963, STANDIFER saw RUBY in the third floor hall of the Police Department talking to newsmen and other persons in the hall. STANDIFER has no knowledge of any particular police officer who was closely associated with JACK RUBY, nor does he know of any close associates of RUBY. He has no knowledge of RUBY's activities other than the general knowledge that he was operator of clubs in Dallas.

STANDIFER did not know LEE HARVEY OSWALD and knows of no connection between RUBY and OSWALD.



Date 1/8/64

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JACK G. TIGER, also known as J. L. TIGER, Southland Hotel, Dallas, whose name was contained in a list of names taken from RUBY's effects following his arrest on November 24, 1963, furnished the following information:

TIGER stated that he is self-employed as motion picture and stage show producer and can always be reached through the above address or through Dallas telephone EMerson 8-5678.

TIGER advised that in connection with his occupation he has known RUBY for a number of years, exact length of time not recalled, having met him at Dallas, Texas, when RUBY was operating the Silver Spur. He stated that since that time he has periodically come in contact with RUBY whenever he returned to Dallas and would normally see RUBY at one of his clubs. He added that he has not been out with RUBY socially and that his acquaintance with RUBY is limited to a business relationship and as a customer (non-paying) at RUBY's clubs at Dallas.

TIGER stated that he last saw RUBY at Dallas about five months ago at the Carousel Club, at which time he attempted to interest RUBY in putting up some money to back a picture which TIGER was contemplating producing. RUBY declined to do so, explaining that he was short of money at the time and that due to his difficulties with the Internal Revenue, he was obligated first to that branch of the service.

TIGER stated that he considered RUBY to be a likeable and social individual although high-strung and with a tendency to be quick to lose his temper. He stated that he gained the impression that RUBY was extremely fond of many members of the Police Department and admired President KENNEDY. He further stated that he never discussed politics with RUBY but knew that RUBY did not tolerate any derogatory jokes at his club relative to politics, religion or race.

TIGER stated that he never knew LEE HARVEY OSWALD and never received any information indicating a relationship or an acquaintance between OSWALD and RUBY. He added that in his opinion OSWALD could not have gained the friendship and confidence

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of RUBY because he felt that OSWALD and RUBY were too opposite in nature. He explained by saying that he considered RUBY to be an outgoing, "Hail Fellow, Well Met" person whereas he has gained the impression from newspaper articles and information through other news media that OSWALD was self-retiring, anti-social and possibly arrogant.

TIGER added that he has no information concerning the shooting of OSWALD on the part of RUBY and stated that he was quite surprised to learn of this shooting and would have never believed RUBY could have done such a thing. He stated that he surmises that RUBY must have "flipped his lid" on the spur of the moment because of his being so upset over the assassination of KENNEDY and over the murder of Police Officer TIPPIT.

Date 1/6/64

**DENNIS TOOCH** (reported to be an acquaintance of RUBY), 2415 North Haskell, furnished the following information:

TOOCH is employed as a delivery man for Colombo's Italian Pizza Bakery in Dallas. In connection with this employment, TOOCH met JACK RUBY three or four years ago. During the three or four years TOOCH saw RUBY at the Carousel Club on numerous occasions, but had no association with RUBY other than through making deliveries. On one occasion, RUBY gave TOOCH approximately twenty-five passes to the Carousel Club to hand out to his, TOOCH's, fellow employees and friends. TOOCH handed these passes out to some of the employees at Colombo's Italian Pizza Bakery and the remainder, which would be about twenty, he returned to RUBY. TOOCH could not recall the names of the employees to whom he gave these cards, but knows that many of the employees of the bakery have been interviewed by Agents of the FBI.

TOOCH knows nothing concerning RUBY's personal life or political beliefs. He knows of no connection between LEE HARVEY OSWALD and RUBY and knows of no police officers with whom RUBY is particularly close.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA STEVEN E. DUCKER:

On January 10, 1964, GLORIA ENGRO, Hostess, and SAM SMITH, Assistant Manager, Beverly Hills Pharmacy, 9528 Wilshire Boulevard, Beverly Hills, California, both advised that they knew MAX UNTERBERG as a former regular customer of this store. Both stated he died of a heart attack approximately two months earlier. Reportedly UNTERBERG was co-owner of the Royal Palms Motel located approximately in the 10000 block of Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California.

The following investigation was conducted by SA  
GEORGE A. PAINE, JR.:

On January 10, 1964, inquiry at the Bureau of Vital Statistics - Deaths, City of Los Angeles, ascertained MAX UNTERBERG died on November 28, 1963.

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Date 1/16/64

Mr. JOHN B. WILSON, JR., Attorney with offices at Room 820, Fidelity Union Life Building, 1511 Bryan, Dallas, Texas, advised that during approximately September of 1962 he was drinking beer at the Lasso Bar which was located across the street from the Baker Hotel in Dallas, Texas, when, between 7:00 and 7:30 PM; a man attired in a t-shirt entered the bar and asked a barmaid to loan him a dime to make a telephone call. She complied and the man whom he later found to be FRANK FERRARO proceeded to use the telephone which was located on the wall near where Mr. WILSON was sitting. Before the call was completed, another man whom Mr. WILSON later determined to be JACK RUBY entered the bar and proceeded to assault FERRARO. Mr. WILSON emphasized that he did not see brass knucks used by RUBY but that from the amount of blood issuing from wounds incurred by FERRARO during the fight, it was his conclusion that some device such as brass knucks had been used by RUBY. FERRARO bled profusely and Mr. WILSON, fearful that great bodily harm might result should the fight continue, stepped between RUBY and FERRARO and broke up the fight. He is unable to recall any of the conversation or remarks made by either FERRARO or RUBY during the fight and he had no knowledge or information as to the reason for the fight.

After the fight was stopped WILSON accompanied both RUBY and FERRARO outside where he looked for a policeman. Within a short time a squad car arrived. Mr. WILSON did not know whether the car's arrival was in response to a telephone call or whether it had been merely cruising in that area. He was not aware of the identities of the police officers. He noted that they apparently intended to arrest FERRARO and to do nothing to RUBY, whereupon he advised them he had witnessed the assault and since RUBY had been the aggressor they were arresting the wrong man. The officers then asked FERRARO whether or not he desired to press charges against RUBY and on WILSON's advice FERRARO answered in the affirmative. In the meantime, RUBY disappeared.

Mr. WILSON then gave FERRARO \$5.00 to pay for taxi fare to Parkland Hospital as it appeared his wounds required medical attention.

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Mr. WILSON stated his principal impression of the attitude of the police officers was that they were quite willing to arrest FERRARO but were extremely reluctant to do anything about RUBY.

Mr. WILSON stated he had heard of RUBY prior to the above incident and that RUBY had on at least one occasion been pointed out to him but that he had not recognized RUBY until RUBY had given his name.

Mr. WILSON had no subsequent contact with RUBY.

A few days following the above incident, FERRARO appeared at Mr. WILSON's office and repaid the \$5.00 loaned him. He asked Mr. WILSON to represent him in a civil suit for damages against RUBY because of the assault but Mr. WILSON advised him it would be contrary to the ethics of the legal profession for him to represent a client in a matter in which he himself would be a material witness. He expressed his willingness to FERRARO at that time to appear as a witness against RUBY if necessary. He described FERRARO's attitude toward suing RUBY as being "wishy washy" as one minute FERRARO would talk about how nice RUBY had been to him and how he would hate to cause him any trouble and next moment he would become quite angry and indicate a desire to institute suit. Several weeks later WILSON received a letter from FERRARO who was at that time in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, asking for the names of attorneys in Dallas who might be employed to institute a civil suit against RUBY based on the assault. WILSON talked of the matter to one associate who indicated no interest in representing FERRARO due to the fact that FERRARO was in Wisconsin which would make ready communication between attorney and client difficult. WILSON wrote FERRARO that he had been unable to interest any Dallas attorneys in instituting the action. WILSON stated he had destroyed the envelope which had contained FERRARO's letter and that he at this time had no way of determining FERRARO's Milwaukee address.

Mr. WILSON stated he had told the above story to a college friend, RONNIE DUGGER, who is currently the editor of a newspaper known as the "Texas Observer".

Apparently DUGGER had told the story to a Milwaukee, Wisconsin reporter because since the shooting of OSWALD Mr. WILSON has received two or three telephone calls from a newspaper reporter in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, whose name he is now unable to recall requesting additional information concerning FERRARO and the assault by RUBY. It appeared from such long-distance telephone calls that the reporter had determined FERRARO had resided at Milwaukee, Wisconsin, for a period of approximately two weeks and that the reporter has been unsuccessful in determining FERRARO's subsequent whereabouts.

Mr. WILSON stated he had previously been interviewed by Special Agents of the FBI concerning the appearance of the name "JOHN WILSON, Bond" among RUBY's papers. He had advised during the previous interview that he could think of no reason why his name should have appeared as he never represented RUBY and his only personal contact with him had been during the assault above mentioned. He stated that the general shock resulting from news of KENNEDY's assassination had also caused him to forget to mention during the previous interview a matter which might or might not be of some importance.

T On the evening of November 23, 1963, Mr. WILSON attended a dinner. An individual known to him as SAM B. BALLEN was also in attendance and during the course of the meal indicated that he had been acquainted with LEE HARVEY OSWALD as OSWALD had applied to him for employment. BALLEN stated that OSWALD had not impressed him as the type of person who would do such a terrible thing but that he had become almost convinced at that time that OSWALD had actually assassinated KENNEDY.

Mr. WILSON stated he had never heard of LEE HARVEY OSWALD prior to the assassination and that he knew of no connection or association between RUBY and OSWALD. Except for the apparent reticence of the police officers to arrest or otherwise detain RUBY following the assault as previously mentioned, Mr. WILSON had no knowledge or information as to the nature and extent, if any, of RUBY's contacts and association with members of the Dallas Police Department. He was aware of no reason why RUBY shot OSWALD.

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Date 1/15/64

G. DUFFIELD SMITH, Manager, Better Business Bureau, 1400 Dallas Federal Savings Building, whose name was furnished by BURNETT MERRELL FRAZIER, JR. as possibly having information in his files concerning JACK RUBY or one of his clubs, furnished the following information:

Mr. SMITH advised that a search of his files failed to reflect information concerning JACK RUBY, EVA GRANT, RALPH PAUL, The Carousel Club, Vegas Club and Silver Spur Club. Mr. SMITH advised that his records contained a file relative to the Sovereign Club, which is now known as the Carousel Club. Mr. SMITH made available his file on the Sovereign Club, Inc., 1312 1/2 Commerce Street, Dallas, Texas, which contains the following documents:

1. A letter postmarked Dallas, Texas, February 20, 1960, to the Better Business Bureau from the Sovereign Club, Inc., announcing the opening of the Sovereign Club, termed "newest private membership club" of Dallas.
2. A membership application blank and circular letter dated July 25, 1960, over the signature of JACK RUBY relative to the membership drive for the Sovereign Club. This letter reflects that membership to the club ranged from \$50.00 (non-resident membership) to \$180.00 (charter membership).
3. Information form of the Better Business Bureau executed and dated August 15, 1960, over the signature of JOHN CHAMBLESS, Vice President, Sovereign Club, Inc. This form reveals the following information concerning the club:

Incorporated December 7, 1959, in the amount of \$1,000.00. Officers listed as RALPH PAUL, President; JOHN CHAMBLESS, Vice President and Manager; EARL RUBY, Vice President; JACK RUBY, Secretary-Treasurer.

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Trade or business references listed as Sigel's Liquors; FRANK BOERDER; STANLEY KAUFMAN.

4. Copy of office memorandum of the Better Business Bureau dated July 28, 1960, relative to the Sovereign Club, Inc., a private membership Club. This memo reflects that the club was to be officially opened on September 14, 1960 and was to "bring musical reviews as well as theater-in-the-round, dancing, singers, headline feature attractions, country club facilities and special trips". No complaints relative to the club's proposed organization had been received to date.
5. Copy of letter dated August 17, 1960, from the Better Business Bureau to JOHN CHAMBLESS, Sovereign Club, Inc., thanking CHAMBLESS for the receipt of his letter of August 15, 1960, and the executed questionnaire.
6. A newspaper clipping from the "Dallas Morning News" of July 26, 1960, announcing the opening of the Sovereign Club, Inc., for September 14, 1960.
7. Six notations of inquiries received relative to the Sovereign Club, Inc., as follows:
  - A. MARGARET ROSPRIM, BR 8-3346 (July 22, 1960)
  - B. GLEN SNIDER, FE 1-4376 (July 28, 1960)
  - C. JERRY STEVENS, FL 7-6271 (August 9, 1960)
  - D. JOHN WAITE, LA 8-4276, RI 7-7511, Extension 289 (August 10, 1960)
  - E. GLADYS MEDU, FL 2-4821 (August 24, 1960)
  - F. BEVERLY BASSETT, DA 1-9523 (September 8, 1960)

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BOBBY DARRELL MARTIN, 3515 Coker Street, whose name was furnished by WILLIAM C. MUELLER, 3534 Flaxey Street, Dallas, Texas, as an individual who had patronized RUBY's clubs, advised as follows:

He is employed as salesman at the Samuel Bingham's Manufacturing Company, Dallas. He stated that he went to the Carousel Club on about two occasions about one year ago but did not see RUBY on either occasion. He stated that prior to this time he had learned of the Sovereign Club, the previous name for the Carousel Club, and he requested through the mails an application blank for this club. He later decided not to join, however, and did not therefore attend the club until it closed its membership and was converted into the Carousel Club.

MARTIN stated that he has never met JACK RUBY and, to his knowledge, has never seen him. He stated that it is possible that several individuals may have erroneously obtained the impression that he knew RUBY inasmuch as he has told a number of his friends since the shooting of OSWALD by RUBY that he, MARTIN, had been to the Carousel Club on several occasions. MARTIN stated that he never knew LEE HARVEY OSWALD and has no information concerning the assassination of President KENNEDY or the shooting of OSWALD by RUBY.

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GEORGE PETTITT, 211 North Ervay, Telephone Number  
RI 8-0057, advised as follows:

To the best of his memory, he obtained a guest membership card in the Sovereign Club, Dallas, Texas, around July of 1960, when he first came to Dallas. He was in this club about three times following this, and he recalled the club folded around December, 1960.

He could not recall the person who gave him the guest card, but knew he had never met JACK RUBY, although some people had pointed RUBY out to him. He had never conversed with RUBY other than to say hello at the club, and he had never known LEE HARVEY OSWALD. Therefore, he knew of no association or contact between RUBY and OSWALD.

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Mr. J. B. ROGERS, residence 3628 Southwestern, Vice President of Texas Prospectors, Inc., Room 522, Fidelity Union Life Insurance Building, 1511 Bryan, advised he was unable to account for his name appearing on notes in the possession of JACK RUBY, as he had never met RUBY and had never been either a permanent or temporary member of any of RUBY's clubs. He recalled having been in RUBY's Sovereign Club with associates from the First National Bank in Dallas, Texas, on two or three occasions a few years ago and that for a brief period thereafter he had received literature from the Sovereign Club.

He never heard of LEE HARVEY OSWALD prior to the assassination of the President and was aware of no connection or association between OSWALD and RUBY. He had no knowledge or information concerning the nature and extent, if any, of RUBY's contact and association with members of the Dallas Police Department and was likewise unaware of the reasons why RUBY shot OSWALD.

Mr. ROGERS stated that his first name is JACK; that he had never been the holder of Post Office Box 10707 and that he was not identical with a person named JOHN ROGERS, allegedly holder of that box number.

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HOWELL H. WATSON, Watson & Watson Realtors, Fidelity Union Life Building, Dallas, Texas, furnished the following information:

Watson & Watson Realtors handles certain properties owned by H. H. NICHOLS and CLARICE NICHOLS, individually and as trustees of the estate of L. L. NICHOLS (deceased), formerly Nichols Enterprises. Included in this property is the building located at 1312 Commerce Street, Dallas, Texas.

WATSON reviewed his file concerning the property at 1312-1/2 Commerce Street and advised this property was originally leased in December 1959 to one JOE E. SLATIN for a monthly rental of \$550.00. A lease agreement dated April 1960 reflects JOE E. SLATIN as lessee.

WATSON said records of his company do not reflect all transactions relative to this piece of property; however, it was his understanding that JOE E. SLATIN originally leased the building with the intention of operating a club; however, SLATIN did not have sufficient funds and in early 1960 JACK RUBY entered into a business arrangement with SLATIN to operate the club, which was then known as the Sovereign Club.

A letter in WATSON's file dated April 20, 1963, is addressed to JACK RUBY, c/o Sovereign Club, Inc. A lease dated June 20, 1960, bears the signature Sovereign Club and JACK RUBY individually. A check of the records relative to property at 1312-1/2 Commerce made November 6, 1962, reflected JACK RUBY and JOE E. SLATIN had executed a lease on December 1, 1959, effective five years from December 1, 1959, to November 30, 1964. As of November 1962 the account was four months delinquent. A letter dated February 14, 1963, to JACK RUBY, Sovereign Club, Inc., reflected he was behind \$1,650.00 in rent due.

The Watson record reflected that on March 1, 1963, a new lease was executed in the name of S & R, Inc., and JACK RUBY individually. The Watson file did not reflect the officers of S & R, Inc., and the lease was signed only by JACK RUBY for the corporation and individually. Watson records show that subsequent to March 1963 all rents on the property at 1312-1/2 Commerce

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Street were paid as due. These payments were made by cashier's check handed personally to ALVA F. MC KNIGHT, Watson salesman, or by mail.

At the time the new lease was executed in March 1963 salesman MC KNIGHT had suggested that the property be rented to another tenant; however, HOUSTON H. NICHOLS, owner of the property, who was personally acquainted with JACK RUBY, instructed that RUBY's lease be renewed.

HOWELL H. WATSON advised that neither he nor his brother, JACK D. WATSON, was personally acquainted with JACK RUBY, or had any knowledge of his associates and activities other than operation of the Sovereign and Carousel Clubs.

HOWELL WATSON has never seen JACK RUBY and his brother, JACK WATSON, had seen him on only one occasion in connection with rental of the property at 1312-1/2 Commerce. WATSON did not know LEE HARVEY OSWALD and had no knowledge of any connection between RUBY and OSWALD.

WATSON advised he had no knowledge of persons connected with the S & R, Inc., other than JACK RUBY and that his company had had no dealings with anyone other than JACK RUBY.

WATSON advised that payment of rents by cashier's check was not the usual method of payment; however, he recalled that in early 1960 a check of JACK RUBY's in payment of rent had been returned by the bank and at that time it is possible the owner had requested him to make subsequent payments by cashier's check. He knew of no other reason why the rent would be paid by cashier's check rather than personal check or in cash.

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PAULINE HALL, 1606 Pratt, who was employed as a waitress at the Vegas Club, advised that EVA GRANT had closed the Vegas Club and had put the club up for sale.

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 RICHARD BERNET (former employee of JACK RUBY),  
 3737 McMillan Street, furnished the following information:

During a two-year period from 1953 to 1955, BERNET worked for RUBY as a musician at the Silver Spur Club in Dallas, Texas. For one month during the early part of 1961, he played in an orchestra for RUBY at the Carousel Club in Dallas. BERNET never became well acquainted with RUBY on a personal basis and knew him only in connection with playing in the band that worked for RUBY.

BERNET knows nothing concerning RUBY's personal life or his political beliefs and knows of no association between LEE HARVEY OSWALD and JACK RUBY.

While playing at the Carousel Club in 1961, BERNET observed many officers of the Dallas Police Department on the premises during that period, but knows of no specific officer with whom RUBY was particularly close.

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JERRY ANTHONY BOLAND, also known as TONY, 2515 Hillburn Drive, Apartment C, whose name appeared in a list of JACK RUBY indicating former employment at one of RUBY's clubs, furnished the following information:

BOLAND stated that he has known RUBY since 1961, at which time he met him due to beginning employment with RUBY's sister, EVA GRANT, about October 1961 at the Vegas Club where he worked as bouncer and emcee and assisted Mrs. GRANT generally in running the club. It was his understanding that RUBY and his sister both owned the club, but it was in Mrs. GRANT's name. At the same time, RUBY owned the Carousel Club, which was a union club, and he understood that RUBY could not register a non-union club such as the Vegas Club in his name. He regularly saw RUBY at the Vegas Club on Friday nights and since that time he has maintained a regular and continuous acquaintance, both business and social, with RUBY. His employment at the Vegas Club on this occasion lasted until about April 1962.

In about November 1961 he began working for RUBY, in addition to his employment at the Vegas Club, at RUBY's Carousel Club as bouncer, doorman and overseeing the waitresses. This employment lasted until February 1962. During the fall of 1962 he resumed his employment at the Vegas Club and continued there until January 1963. About August 1963 he resumed his employment by RUBY at the Carousel Club and continued as such until about September 1963.

BOLAND stated that during the latter part of 1961 and January 1962, he stayed with RUBY at the Carousel Club, that is, he was furnished a rollaway bed by RUBY in the hall of this club and, at the same time, RUBY was residing in the back part of the club in a separate room. BOLAND stated that he had numerous occasions to converse with RUBY and feels that he became fairly well acquainted with RUBY's character, personality and disposition. He stated that he considers RUBY to be a friendly, helpful person in the event he likes someone, but he is also impetuous, high-strung and quick-tempered. BOLAND added that RUBY was also quick to return to normal and forget his differences with anyone with whom he became angry.

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BOLAND stated that he did not know RUBY to carry a pistol regularly although RUBY did always carry his pistol when he brought cash to the club for the evening's operation but after arriving at the club he would usually lock up the gun. Whenever RUBY traveled in his car he would usually put his pistol in the trunk of the car.

BOLAND stated that he rarely discussed politics with RUBY but gained the definite impression that RUBY was more interested in the character and ability of the man running for office than the party itself.

BOLAND stated that RUBY was friendly with and knew many police officers and newsmen and felt a real friendship for them generally. RUBY was the type of person, according to BOLAND, who liked to "keep his nose clean", and although he may have known people in the various rackets, he is sure that RUBY did not work with or conspire with any such individuals. He does not recall RUBY mentioning Officer TIPPIT's name and does not know to what extent RUBY was acquainted with this individual.

BOLAND stated he last saw RUBY in August 1963 and has no information concerning the shooting of OSWALD by RUBY or as to how RUBY entered the basement of the Police Department prior to the shooting. He added that he himself never knew OSWALD and never had reason to believe that RUBY knew or associated with OSWALD at any time. He added that he feels personally quite sure that RUBY did not know OSWALD, explaining that had RUBY known OSWALD, BOLAND would have become aware of same at one time or another.

BOLAND stated that he recalls that on one occasion a year or so ago RUBY carried his pistol on his person for one week inasmuch as he had heard that someone who had just been released from prison was "looking for him". BOLAND stated he does not know the identity of this individual and has no additional information about the incident.