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had never heard of him prior to November 24, 1963.

On November 25, 1963, SA JOHN V. HANLON contacted [REDACTED], a tavern operator in [REDACTED], Louisiana, who advised he did not know RUBY and had never heard of him before November 24, 1963.

On November 25, 1963 SA JAMES FRANCIS WRIGHT contacted PCI [REDACTED], Louisiana, who frequents gambling establishments. [REDACTED] had never heard of RUDY prior to November 24, 1963.

On November 25, 1963, SA RICHARD A. SMALLWOOD contacted PCIs [REDACTED], a professional gambler, [REDACTED] a bookmaker, [REDACTED] a gambling club operator, and [REDACTED], an employee of [REDACTED] all of [REDACTED] Louisiana. These individuals advised they had never heard of RUBY prior to November 24, 1963, when they observed him on network television.

[REDACTED], a professional bookmaker, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, advised SA EARL R. PETERSEN on November 25, 1963, that he had never heard of RUBY prior to November 24, 1963, when he had seen the shooting of OSWALD by RUBY on television. Subsequently on this same date, this informant advised that he had contacted bookmakers [REDACTED] of Baton Rouge, and they had not known RUBY. SA PETERSEN also contacted PCI [REDACTED] on November 25, 1963, [REDACTED] being an employee of [REDACTED], another Baton Rouge bookmaker. [REDACTED] had not heard of RUBY prior to November 24, 1963. *La*

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474 SA PETERSEN also contacted [REDACTED] in West Baton Rouge Parish, Louisiana and these bookmakers had not heard of RUBY prior to November 24, 1963.

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SA PETERSEN also contacted [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Baton Rouge, on November 25, 1963, a bookmaker in that
city, who had not known RUBY.

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AT NEW YORK, NEW YORK

Persons familiar with "Fair Play For Cuba Committee" in New York area have no information indicating JACK LEON RUBY has ever had any connection with this committee.

There is no information known to the New York Office reflecting any connection of RUBY with the "Fair Play for Cuba Committee".

Informants of New York Office familiar with gambling activities in New York area have no information concerning JACK LEON RUBY.

Files of the New York Office fail to reflect any information identifiable with RUBY.

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AT SAN JUAN, PUERTO RICO

The following informant, PCIs, and sources of information in San Juan, who have furnished reliable information in the past and who are acquainted with gambling activities, advised SA LA VERNE J. MOORE on November 26, 1963, that they did not know RUBY or OSWALD:

[REDACTED] (Croupier);
[REDACTED] PCI, gambler;
[REDACTED] PCI, gambling casino inspector;
[REDACTED] PCI, gambler and restaurant owner;
[REDACTED] Caribe Hilton Hotel;
[REDACTED] Caribe Hilton Hotel,
formerly with Hilton Hotel at Dallas;
[REDACTED] Sheraton Hotel,
formerly with Sheraton Hotel, Dallas.

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The following investigation by Tampa Office:

~~██████████~~ advised he located address book dated from 1945-48, and noted name NATE GROSSMAN, 5046 N. Troy St., Chicago, Ill. Source stated he is certain NATE GROSSMAN is identical to TINY GROSSMAN mentioned previously. *ok, tiny*

Source now recalls meeting GROSSMAN in Chicago in 1948 or 1949, and GROSSMAN told him he had spent some time in prison and in same conversation mentioned Flagstaff, Ariz. Informant has hazy recollection that GROSSMAN arrested Flagstaff for Illinois authorities and probably did time in Statesville Prison, outside Chicago.

Source now recalls GROSSMAN tended bar and lived in hotel above bar, located across the street from Croydan Hotel. Croydan located near Black Orchid Lounge, Chicago.

Same source recalls RUBY at one time ran errands for one RAY LEWIS, a furrier, State Lake Building, 190 North State St., Chicago. LEWIS had a bookie operation on the side and resided Maryland Hotel, Rush and Delaware Streets, Chicago.

Same source also recalls RUBY loitered about a barber shop run by one AL INDES at the corner, or near the corner of Clark Street, and Lake Street, Chicago.

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[REDACTED] advised 11/25/63 he knew RUBY in Chicago by reputation as ticket scalper along Rush Street and RUBY would do anything for a buck. Source states RUBY not known to hang around racketeers but recalls one TINY GROSSMAN, a cab driver or bartender, Chicago, also a ticket scalper, was close friend of RUBY. Source's knowledge of RUBY dates from 1945 to 1948. Later, source heard GROSSMAN did time at Flagstaff, Ariz., for ticket scalping. Source also recalls one time RUBY badly beaten trying to crash a fight program, Comiskey Park. RUBY dropped out of sight in Chicago, 1948, no one missing him.

[REDACTED] advised three years ago AGVA female entertainer complained to AGVA it was rough working in clubs in Dallas.

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Information concerning burlesque houses located in downtown Dallas was obtained from the report of SA ROBERT M. BARRETT dated March 15, 1963 in the file entitled "Crime Conditions in the Dallas Division - Anti-Racketeering," Dallas file 94-55-166, page 46.

Information that JACK RUBY was known to be an associate of EILEEN CURRY was obtained from the memo of SA EMMET J. MURPHY dated April 4, 1956, Dallas file [REDACTED]

Information concerning RALPH EUGENE YOUNG's telephone call to the Silver Spur was obtained from the report of SA JAMES W. BOOKHOUT dated October 10, 1950 at Dallas in the matter entitled "RALPH EUGENE YOUNG; JOYCE SKILLMAN - Atomic Energy Act" and was furnished by W. P. HZLIP, Manager, Ambassador Hotel, Dallas, Texas.

Information concerning the letter received by Lt. JACK REVILL, Dallas Police Department, was obtained from the memo of SA ROBERT M. BARRETT dated July 1959 at Dallas, Texas, Dallas file 94-190-45.

Information concerning TESSIE ALINE AXENFIELD's information about BETHEL CRAMER was obtained from Dallas letter to Detroit dated September 14, 1961, Dallas file 31-5614-733.

Information furnished by GENE BOSTICK, Cashier, Carousel Club, was obtained from the memo of IC JOE A. PEARCE, September 28, 1961 at Dallas, Dallas file [REDACTED]

Information concerning EVA GRANT obtained from SUE BROWN was obtained from the memo of SA W. HARLAN BROWN, November 16, 1962, Dallas file 94-54-623.

Information obtained concerning the visit of JACK RUBY to the office of VINCENT LEE was obtained from

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the memo of SA RALPH J. MILES dated August 11, 1953,
Dallas file 94-47-470.

Information concerning RUBY's descriptive
data is contained in Dallas file [REDACTED] entitled "JACK
RUBY, aka., PCI.

Information concerning which [REDACTED], Dallas
PCI furnished concerning RUBY, was obtained from Dallas
PCI file [REDACTED]

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Mrs. EVA L. GRANT, sister of JACK RUBY, was interviewed at her residence, 3929 Rawlins Street, Apartment I, Dallas, Texas, on 11/25/63.

As soon as the interviewing Agents announced their identity and while they were still exhibiting their credentials and before being asked one question, GRANT started talking in a rambling manner about various events and newspaper reports and advertisement pertaining to the assassination of President KENNEDY and subsequent related events. Mrs. GRANT stated she was very emotionally upset, explaining that "by nature" she is an emotional type person, which condition has been aggravated by recent major surgery and hospitalization, plus the tragic events of the last few days in connection with the death of President KENNEDY and LEE HARVEY OSWALD.

Mrs. GRANT kept talking continuously and each time Agent asked a question in an attempt to get pertinent information and conduct interview in some logical sequence, GRANT would raise her hand and start talking louder, indicating she did not want to be interrupted. She stated on three or four occasions the taking of notes by the Agents was extremely annoying to her and, after approximately an hour, in a very positive manner, she instructed that no more notes be taken. It appeared to the Agents that GRANT was making a sincere effort to cooperate, but she was in an extremely nervous and emotional state. She was interviewed in the presence of Mrs. PAULINE HALL, a close personal friend, at Mrs. GRANT's specific insistence.

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The following investigation was conducted by
SAS DEL D. DRAKE and JOE A. COPELAND.

AT EMORY, TEXAS

BERT MC KEOWN, Rains County Sheriff, SAM BRAZIEL, Rains County Judge, and BUSTER FLEMING, Post Master, all considered perfectly reliable and friends of the Bureau, advised November 25, 1963 that I. T. (TROY) RUCKLEY is a former Texas Ranger who served during the term of JIMMY ALLRED, Governor of the State of Texas in the 1930's. RUCKLEY was fired for some unknown reason and has been working for himself as an oil lease man in and around Emory, Texas.

[REDACTED]

RUCKLEY likes to consider himself a law enforcement officer and, if given any encouragement, will volunteer his services as an under-cover man.

It should be noted that at the time of interview of RUCKLEY, it was the opinion of the interviewing agents that RUCKLEY was [REDACTED] and, according to Sheriff MC KEOWN, RUCKLEY is seldom seen in [REDACTED] around Emory.

It will also be noted that RUCKLEY advised the interviewing agents that he was [REDACTED]

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At approximately 1:00 PM, on November 26, 1963, J. M. LANKFORD, Special Agent, Office of Naval Intelligence, Dallas, Texas, personally appeared at the Dallas Field Division. Mr. LANKFORD advised SA JOHN Q. FLANAGAN that approximately fifteen minutes previously an informant of his had contacted him concerning JACK RUBY and LEE HARVEY OSWALD.

LANKFORD stated that his informant, [REDACTED], an admitted homosexual, has been furnishing information to ONI for some time. He has, in the past, furnished signed statements to the Office of Naval Intelligence setting forth his homosexual activities with young servicemen.

Special Agent LANKFORD said that [REDACTED] has recently been operating a television and radio repair shop, known as [REDACTED] at [REDACTED] Dallas, Texas.

Room 511 YMCA
Dallas, Texas

B. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] N-66

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Date 11/27/631

Assistant WILLIAM F. ALEXANDER advised that District Attorney HENRY WADE had gone to Houston, Texas.

ALEXANDER advised he had been present when RUBY's case had been presented to the Grand Jury. He stated that Detective JIM LEAVELLE, who was on the right side of OSWALD at the time OSWALD was killed, told the Grand Jury what he knew. Detective C. M. DEORITY told what he observed from the car which was located at the end of the hallway where DEORITY was waiting.

ALEXANDER further advised that the whole presentation did not take over three or four minutes. None of the grand jurors asked any questions and no other evidence of any kind was presented.

on 11/27/63 at Dallas, Texas File # DI 44-1639
 by Special Agent LEO I. ROBERTSON/eah LL Date dictated 11/27/63

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Information pertaining to the long distance telephone calls charged to the following numbers as listed, was obtained on November 27, 1963 by SA ROBERT C. LISH from Mr. R. A. Burrow, Chief Special Agent, Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, Dallas, Texas:

JACK RUBY, residence - 223 South Ewing, Apartment #7,
(WH-1-5601 (Non-published).

RI 7-2362, listed in the name - The Carousel, 1312 $\frac{1}{2}$
Commerce Street.

LA 8-4775, listed to The Vegas Club, 3508 Oaklawn.

LA 6-6258, listed to J. RUBY, residence - 3929
Rawlins, Apartment #1, (Non-published)

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Information concerning records of the Merchants State Bank, 5217 Ross, Dallas, Texas, was furnished to SAs RALPH E. RAWLINGS and EDMOND C. HARDIN on November 29, 1963, by V. P. SCHUMACHER, President.

Information obtained from Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, Dallas, Texas, on November 29, 1963, by SA ROBERT C. LISH, was made available by Chief Special Agent R. A. BURROW.

Mr. J. S. NESBIT, JR., Vice President and Loan Officer, Grand Avenue Bank and Trust Company, 5430 East Grand Avenue, Dallas, Texas, is the person contacted who made available the bank records on SAMUEL D. RUBY on November 26, 1963.

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The following informants who have access to gambling information in the Dallas area were contacted by SAs ROBERT M. BARRETT and IVAN D. LEE on the dates indicated:

PCI [REDACTED]
PCI [REDACTED]
PCI [REDACTED]
PCI [REDACTED]
PCI [REDACTED]
PCI [REDACTED]
PCI [REDACTED]

November 25, 1963
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None of the above informants had any information that JACK RUBY, aka. was involved in any gambling activities either as a player, bookmaker or gambler, during the time he has resided in Dallas area - approximately fifteen years. RUBY was known to the above informants as the operator of the Carousel Club or Vegas Club, in Dallas.

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JIMMY KITCHING, Identification Officer, Dallas County Sheriff's Office, on November 28, 1963, made available the major case prints which he had, on that morning, obtained from JACK L. RUBY. These prints were forwarded to the FBI Laboratory November 29, 1963.

Except as otherwise set out in this section, information received by the various field offices from informants familiar with gambling activities throughout the country, has been negative. A record of the individuals contacted is maintained in the files of the Dallas Division. In the interest of brevity, the individuals contacted are not being set out nor are the dates that the individual offices notified the Dallas Division of the negative contacts being set out.

Confidential Informants and other sources familiar with gambling in the Dallas area were likewise contacted and only positive information has been reported herein. Between November 24, 1963 and November 29, 1963, Confidential Informants of the Dallas Office, familiar with some Communist Party, Cuban and racial activities in the Dallas area, have advised that subject RUBY and victim OSWALD are unknown to them; that they have no information these two persons have ever associated with each other; or that either of them have ever engaged in any subversive activities.

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