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DLJ:mab

Mrs. BANNIGAN presented her own case in court and the borough was represented by JAMES D. CARTON, III, Asbury Park, New Jersey, attorney.

Mr. BANNIGAN furnished the following description of Mrs. BANNIGAN:

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| Age:    | 51       |
| Height: | 5'7"     |
| Weight: | 140 lbs. |
| Hair:   | Reddish  |
| Eyes:   | Blue     |

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~~MRS. JOHN J. BANNIGAN~~

Mrs. TERESA BANNIGAN, 428 Euclid Avenue, MANASQUAN, N.J. advised on December 20, 1963, that she had never heard of JACK L. RUBY or LEE HARVEY OSWALD before the assassination of President KENNEDY. She said she was emotionally upset at the death of the President and was in sympathy with RUBY as she felt she understood his feelings in killing OSWALD. She said she sent him a telegram from her home as she felt he needed a friend and this might help him feel he was not alone. N.Y.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA GEORGE D. WATT:

REUBEN BARTH, used car manager, Gerelick Ford Company, 4707 North 30th Street, Omaha, Nebraska, advised on December 19, 1963, that on the night of November 24 or 25, 1963, he and his wife had several friends in for drinks and during the evening a discussion took place concerning the assassination of President KENNEDY and the subsequent shooting of LEE OSWALD by JACK RUBY. He stated he became very "worked up" over the President's assassination and at the time was pleased that OSWALD, whom he believed without question to be the President's killer, had gotten what he deserved. He related that after his guests had left his home that evening he became so elated over OSWALD being punished for his actions that he sent a telegram to RUBY in care of the Dallas Police Department. He stated he could not recall exactly what he said in this telegram, but believed it to have been congratulatory in nature.

BARTH stated he had never heard of JACK RUBY or LEE HARVEY OSWALD prior to the time the President was assassinated and OSWALD subsequently killed, and he had never heard of any connection whatsoever between RUBY and OSWALD.

REUBEN  
By way of background, BARTH advised he was born on May 7, 1915, at Culbertson, Nebraska, and had worked in the used car business in Omaha, Nebraska, since November, 1947, except for a six-month period during late 1958 and early 1959, when he operated a used car lot in San Diego, California. He currently resides at 3118 South 120th Street, Omaha, NEB.

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Mrs. CATHERINE BREWER, 271 Madison Hill Road, Clark, New Jersey, advised SA RAYMOND F. HOYLE on December 19, 1963, that she is also known as Katie Brewer. She said that she was extremely upset over the assassination of President KENNEDY on November 22, 1963. She stated that as a result of her sympathy for his widow, whose two children reminded her of her own when they were young, she sent a telegram to JACK RUBY when she learned he had shot and killed LEE HARVEY OSWALD, the assassinator of President KENNEDY.

Mrs. BREWER further advised she told JACK RUBY in the telegram sent to him from Rahway, New Jersey, that she could "kiss his feet". She stated she made no effort to hide the fact that she sent the telegram, having signed it KATIE BREWER, and she sent it because she felt OSWALD got what he deserved. She said RUBY should be given a "long rest on the French Riviera" for shooting OSWALD.

Mrs. BREWER added that the sending of the telegram to RUBY was strictly an emotional impulse. She stated that she never heard of RUBY or OSWALD until President KENNEDY was assassinated and certainly knows of no connection between RUBY and OSWALD.

Patrolman FRED CARRICK, Clark, New Jersey Police Department, advised on December 19, 1963, that records of that department reflect that CATHERINE BREWER, Madison Hill Road, Clark, was arrested on April 3, 1952, and charged as "disorderly person - abusive language". No disposition was reflected for this arrest.

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AT CASEYVILLE, ILLINOIS

On December 20, 1963 ROBERT D. BURNS, #2 Claydale Place, Rural Route #1, advised SA JOSEPH P. BENSON he had sent a telegram to JACK RUBY at Dallas, Texas on November 24, 1963. He stated he congratulated RUBY in this telegram. BURNS advised he had done this on the spur of the moment since he was an ardent supporter of President KENNEDY.

BURNS advised that he does not know JACK RUBY and did not know LEE HARVEY OSWALD. He stated that he had never heard of either of them prior to the assassination of President KENNEDY and the shooting of OSWALD by RUBY.

On December 19, 1963, Chief RAY CIGLIANA, Collinsville Police Department, advised that he had no arrest record for BURNS who indicated that he had lived in Collinsville, Illinois all of his life until his moving to Rural Route #1, Caseyville, Illinois which is in the Collinsville area.

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PENSACOLA, FLA.

On December 19, 1963, J. MONTROSE EDREHI,  
1515 North Baylen Street, Attorney, Suite 404, First  
Bank and Trust Building, advised he was born May 14,  
1900, at Pensacola, Florida, and has been practicing  
law in Pensacola since 1921. When he heard JACK RUBY  
was having trouble obtaining a legal counsel he sent  
the following telegram:

"Jack Ruby  
Dallas, Texas Jail  
Dallas, Texas

"If you have difficulty obtaining an attorney  
to represent you in this case, I offer my  
services. During the alleged Ku Klux days,  
I, a Jew, represented a Negro woman charged  
with manslaughter after an alleged abortion  
on a very high class white lady. I won the  
case."

Mr. EDREHI related he does not know either JACK  
RUBY or LEE HARVEY OSWALD and never heard of them until  
the assassination of President KENNEDY. He does not know  
of any connection between them. He further said he has  
not received any answer or communication from JACK RUBY.

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JOSEPH DECKER HARRISON, 925 South State Street, advised that he had sent a \$5 money order to JACK L. RUBY.

He stated that at the time of the assassination of President KENNEDY, he was extremely upset and disturbed by the assassination and therefore sent the money order to RUBY out of sympathy for RUBY.

HARRISON stated that he does not know RUBY or OSWALD and has no knowledge of the acquaintances of either. HARRISON added that at the time he sent the money order to RUBY it was to express his feelings for RUBY and not for any act which RUBY had performed.

On 12/19/63 at Ann Arbor, Michigan File # Dallas 44-1639  
Detroit 44-563  
by SA ROBERT L. MAYFIELD and SA J. RAYMOND Date dictated 12/20/63  
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AQ 44-391  
SJC/gcp

The following investigation was conducted by SA STUART  
J. CAMERON at Albuquerque, New Mexico.

On December 19, 1963, JACK T. ~~JORDAN~~ JORDAN, JR., 320 Alcazar,  
NE, advised he is in the United States Army stationed at Sandia  
Base. He is a SP/5, having Army serial number RA 19702451.

He acknowledged the fact that he had previously sent  
a telegram to JACK L. RUBY at Dallas, Texas, shortly after  
RUBY allegedly shot OSWALD. He said he does not recall the  
specific contents of the telegram, but it was along the line  
that he thought it was a good thing that RUBY had shot OSWALD.  
He said he sent the telegram in view of the fact that he doubted  
whether OSWALD would have been convicted under the present  
judicial system of the United States. He advised that he feels  
this way in view of the fact that OSWALD's attorney could have  
"gotten him off" on a temporary insanity plea and added that he  
doubted that it would come to trial in the first place in view  
of the fact that they would be unable to select a jury that was  
unbiased. For these reasons, he stated that he thought that  
RUBY shooting OSWALD was a good thing. JORDAN advised he did  
not know RUBY or OSWALD and had never heard of them prior to the  
time they appeared on television in connection with the  
assassination of President KENNEDY. He knew of no connection  
between them and could furnish no information regarding them  
other than what he has received via news media.



The following investigation was conducted  
by SA GORDON M. SIM:

AT SCHENECTADY, NEW YORK

On December 19, 1963, Mrs. PATRICIA MILNE,  
305 Summit Avenue, with telephone number FR 2-6733,  
advised she did send a telegram to JACK L. RUBY,  
care of the Dallas, Texas Police Department. She  
advised that watching the television during and after  
the assassination of the President, she was terribly  
upset and that this instigated her sending this  
telegram. She said this was a terrible and foolish  
thing to do; that she did it on the spur of the  
minute and did not think; that 10 minutes after she  
sent it she called Western Union in an attempt to  
cancel this telegram but was told it was too late.

She stated that her husband was very upset  
with her for doing this and told her the FBI would  
probably be checking on her.

She advised that she did not know RUBY or  
OSWALD personally nor did she know of any connection  
between the two of them.



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Review of Oklahoma City files reflects EARL O'NEAL, also known as Jeep, FBI number 315 9160 is a former boxer, unsuccessful candidate for Justice of the Peace, well known police character, and currently bondsman and aide to VALDHE PITMAN, criminal attorney, Oklahoma City.

On December 19, 1963, EARL WILLIAM O'NEAL, also known as Jeep, 2116 Northwest 12th, Oklahoma City, advised SA GLENN E. SILVEY and SA DAVID W. MC CLUGAGE he had liked President KENNEDY very much and was very angry that OSWALD assassinated him. He stated he had been drinking at the time he heard OSWALD had been shot by RUBY and on the spur of the moment sent a congratulatory telegram to RUBY at the jail in Dallas, Texas.

O'NEAL stated to the best of his recollection the telegram stated RUBY had done what millions of other Americans wanted to do and America was proud of him. O'NEAL also stated he offered to help RUBY in any way he could.

O'NEAL advised that he was not acquainted with RUBY and doubted he was acquainted with any individual who knew RUBY. He stated he knew nothing of the assassination except what he had heard through news media. O'NEAL advised he had received a telephone call from EARL RUBY in Royal Oak, Michigan, brother of JACK RUBY, several days ago at which time EARL RUBY asked if he, O'NEAL, could help. Whereupon he advised EARL RUBY the only way he could help was to possibly recommend a good attorney. O'NEAL explained that he had four children and is hard pressed financially at this time.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA JAMES B. OAKLEY on December 19, 1963:

Mrs. DOROTHY ~~PIKUL~~, 319 Woodbury Lake Road, Woodbury, New Jersey, wife of FRANK ~~PIKUL~~, advised as follows:

MP & MRS  
Telegram was sent to RUBENSTEIN by her husband when he was in an intoxicated condition at their home at the above address. She was present at the time he sent the telegram and the following morning regretted his hasty and thoughtless action. Neither she nor her husband have any acquaintance or personal knowledge of RUBENSTEIN or OSWALD, and the instant telegram was sent by him on the spur of the moment and while he was in a somewhat intoxicated condition.

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MAA:cm

On December 19, 1963, BRYANT WASHINGTON PULLEN, JR., aka "Brownie", 2502 North A Street, Tampa, Florida, telephone number 877-1779, was interviewed by SA MOSES A. ALMAN.

BRYANT PULLEN furnished the following background information regarding himself:

He was born on June 7, 1899, at Valdosta, Georgia, but has resided in Tampa since 1906 or 1907, and has been self-employed since 1946. He receives pensions from Social Security and the Veterans Administration for permanent and total disability, having served in the U. S. Army during World War I, and receiving an honorable discharge in July, 1919.

Prior to World War II, he was a taxi driver and linotype machinist. During World War II, he was a shipyard worker and later was a carpenter. He admitted numerous arrests by local authorities dating back to the early 1930's, and explained that most of his arrests have been for drinking. PULLEN admitted he drinks almost every day, and further stated he had had a drink on this date.

He is described as:

|                     |                                                                                                   |
|---------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Sex                 | Male                                                                                              |
| Race                | White                                                                                             |
| Date of Birth       | June 7, 1899                                                                                      |
| Place of Birth      | Valdosta, Georgia                                                                                 |
| Height              | 5'5 1/2"                                                                                          |
| Weight              | 139 lbs.                                                                                          |
| Hair                | Blond                                                                                             |
| Eyes                | Blue                                                                                              |
| Marital Status      | Twice divorced                                                                                    |
| Social Security No. | 267-03-7595                                                                                       |
| Residence           | 2502 North A Street,<br>Tampa, Florida, with a sister,<br>Mrs. CARRA NEWCOMER, who is<br>widowed. |

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[PULLEN] stated that as soon as the news came out that RUBY had killed OSWALD, he called the Tampa, Fla., Western Union Office that day and sent RUBY a telegram. As he recalls, he said, "Congratulations to you". He said he may have added a word or two, which he does not remember, on the message, or it may have varied a little, but he does know he specifically sent the word congratulations. [PULLEN] said he had the Western Union Office charge the telegram to his telephone number.

[PULLEN] explained that he was very much upset over the assassination of President JOHN F. KENNEDY, and so broken up that when he heard that RUBY had killed OSWALD, he rejoiced. He claims this is the only reason he sent a congratulatory message to RUBY, and added that he still feels the same way. In other words, he would do the same thing again, and even stated that if he had the money, he would travel to Dallas, Texas, and offer his personal congratulations to RUBY.

[PULLEN] denied knowing RUBY. He said he had never heard of RUBY before his name appeared in the news in connection with the murder of OSWALD. [PULLEN] denied any connections with RUBY whatsoever.

[PULLEN] also denied knowing OSWALD. He said the first time he heard of OSWALD was when his name appeared in the news as being arrested for the assassination of President KENNEDY. [PULLEN] knew of no connections between OSWALD and RUBY, stating he had never heard of either of these individuals until their names appeared in the news.

[PULLEN] stated he also sent a telegram of condolence to Mrs. JOHN F. KENNEDY, Washington, D. C., upon hearing of her husband's assassination. He could not recall the exact message, but said it was short and merely a message of sympathy. He believes he sent this telegram the same day President KENNEDY was assassinated.

On December 19, 1963, [Mrs. CARRA L. NEWCOMER 2502 North A Street, Tampa, was separately interviewed by SA ALEMAN, and she verified the information supplied by her

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brother, BRYANT W. PULLEN, concerning his transmittal of a telegram to RUBY on November 24, 1963, and to Mrs. KENNEDY on November 22, 1963. Mrs. NEWCOMER furnished the same reason given by her brother as to why he sent RUBY a telegram.

According to Mrs. NEWCOMER, PULLEN was very upset and broken up over President KENNEDY's assassination, and felt very glad when OSWALD was killed.

On December 19, 1963, records of the Merchants Credit Association of Greater Tampa, Tampa, Fla., as furnished to IC HENRY E. MC INTURFF by SHIRLEY CHANEY, disclosed a credit report pertaining to PULLEN dated October 25, 1955, which reflects he has been in their files since April 17, 1955, is disabled, and resides at 2502 North A Street in Tampa. His credit rating was listed as poor.

On December 19, 1963, records of the Tampa, Fla., Police Department, reviewed by IC MC INTURFF, as furnished by JULIO SANCHEZ, disclosed that a record of subject under Tampa Police Department Number 5681 and FBI 775 055 is contained in their files. His last arrest was on May 17, 1962 for drunk and profanity, for which he was fined \$25 and 25 days. Numerous arrests for drunk were listed. His address is shown as 2502 North A Street, and his employment as retired carpenter. His description is listed as white male, 5'5" tall, 143 lbs., brown hair and blue eyes.

On December 19, 1963, records of the Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office, Tampa, Fla., as reviewed by IC MC INTURFF, furnished by EVELYN GOELITZ, disclosed PULLEN was last arrested on July 27, 1953, for drunk, and his address at that time was "at large". His date of birth was listed as June 7, 1899 at Valdosta, Georgia, and his previous occupations as ship fitter and taxi driver in Tampa, Florida.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA  
ROBERT A. BEERS on December 19, 1963:

AT SYRACUSE, NEW YORK

SAL ST. ANGELO

Mr. & Mrs. SALVATORE ST. ANGELO, 146 Glenwood Avenue,  
Syracuse, New York, telephone number Granite 5-1571, furnished  
the following information:

She stated that within ten minutes after viewing  
the shooting of LEE HARVEY OSWALD by JACK RUBY on television  
on November 24, 1963, she impulsively decided to send a tele-  
gram to JACK RUBY in Dallas, Texas. Her husband was also  
watching television and when she told him what she was going  
to do, he said "You wouldn't have the nerve to do it." She  
stated that she called Western Union and recalled that the  
contents of the telegram were generally:

"Congratulations. God bless you and  
good luck. /s/ Mr. and Mrs. Sal St. Angelo."

She stated that she sent the telegram to JACK RUBY, c/o the  
City Hall, Dallas, Texas.

Mrs. ST. ANGELO stated that she was emotionally  
upset over the assassination of President KENNEDY and that  
after RUBY shot OSWALD, she had an uncontrollable compulsion  
to congratulate him for his act. She said that she realizes  
now that this was wrong on her part and regrets that she did  
send the telegram.

She stated that she is employed as a Machine  
Attendant on the evening shift at General Electric, Electronics  
Park, Building 5, Syracuse, New York, and that her husband is  
Manager of the ABC Vending Company, a soft drink firm, in  
Syracuse.

Mrs. ST. ANGELO stated that both she and her husband  
were not acquainted with RUBY or OSWALD and know of no connection  
between them.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA KENNETH W. DELANOY on December 19, 1963:

Mrs. JEAN SCATTERGOOD, also known as Mrs. R.  
Robert Scattergood, Taunton Road and Tomlinson Mill Road,  
Marlton, New Jersey, advised as follows:

She has always been a staunch defender of former President KENNEDY; and, upon his assassination, she became so overwrought and outraged at the act of LEE HARVEY OSWALD that she was actually pleased when she learned that JACK RUBY had killed OSWALD. She was so gratified that RUBY had been done away with a man such as OSWALD that she sent a telegram to JACK RUBY, care of the Dallas Police Department, in which she stated that she could not find it in her heart to condemn him since she felt as strongly as he did regarding the assassination of the president. She felt she may have done the same thing if in RUBY's place.

Mrs. SCATTERGOOD advised she was born in 1916 and admittedly is a very emotional person. She stated she does not know either JACK RUBY or LEE HARVEY OSWALD and the first time she had ever heard of either of them was via her television and radio following the assassination of the president.

She stated that she has absolutely no information of any connection between JACK RUBY and LEE HARVEY OSWALD and as she indicated previously, both names were totally unknown to her prior to the incident on November 22, 1963.



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On December 19, 1963, Mr. ARTHUR G. STASKO, 210  
Ridgewood Drive, Syracuse, New York, telephone number 437-4143  
was interviewed by SA ROBERT A. BEERS and furnished the follow-  
ing information:

ORGANIST

He stated that on the afternoon of November 24, 1963,  
in an emotional act after viewing the shooting of LEE HARVEY  
OSWALD by JACK RUBY on television, he called Western Union and  
sent a telegram to JACK RUBY at the Dallas Station, Dallas,  
Texas. He stated that the telegram, as best as he could recall,  
said:

"You have done what many of us would  
have done."

He stated that he now realizes that it was not a  
prudent act on his part, that he regrets sending the telegram,  
and would not have done so if he had known that the FBI was  
going to investigate the matter. He stated that he did not  
discuss his action with his wife and is quite concerned about  
what her attitude might be if she found out. Mr. STASKO stated  
that he is the organist at Blessed Sacrament Church, 313 James  
Street, Syracuse, New York. He stated that he was quite angered  
and upset over the assassination of President KENNEDY and said  
that he acted in a very spontaneous fashion and sincerely  
regrets that he had sent the telegram.

Mr. STASKO said he was not acquainted with RUBY or  
OSWALD and knew of no connection between them.

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TJS: bkn

The following investigation was conducted by SA  
THOMAS J. SULLIVAN:

AT SAN MATEO, CALIFORNIA

On December 20, 1963, Mr. ANDREW VERSEY of 1737  
Gum Street, advised that after witnessing RUBY's shooting of  
OSWALD on television, he on the spur of the moment in a sudden  
impulse, send a congratulatory telegram to RUBY. He advised  
that he is not at all acquainted with RUBY nor was he ever  
acquainted with OSWALD.

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On December 20, 1963, MRS. HARRY G. (REGINA) WALSH,  
4038 Ridge Avenue, Philadelphia, Pa., advised SA JOHN R.  
WINEBERG that she sent a congratulations telegram to  
JACK RUBY, Dallas, Tex., after he shot LEE HARVEY OSWALD.

She said she did not know RUBY, but sent the  
telegram to him because he had "taken care of" President  
JOHN KENNEDY's murderer.

Date December 20, 1963

STUART H. WATSON, 14100 Sarasota, Detroit, Michigan, stated that at the time of the assassination of President KENNEDY, he was extremely upset and emotionally disturbed by the assassination. He stated that when RUBY shot OSWALD, he was emotionally motivated to send a telegram of a congratulatory nature to RUBY. WATSON stated that his sending the telegram was an emotional, spur of the minute gesture which he has subsequently regretted.

WATSON stated that he does not know RUBY or OSWALD and has no knowledge whatsoever of the acquaintances of RUBY or OSWALD.

On 12/20/63 at Detroit, Michigan File # DL 44-1639  
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by SA MELVILLE H. SHANNON Date dictated 12/20/63

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KTB:PCB

The following investigation was conducted by SA  
ERNEST T. BIRD:

AT COHOES, NEW YORK

On December 19, 1963, JOHN C. HALLORAN, 18  
Lighthall Avenue, telephone Cedar 7-5300, advised that on  
November 24, 1963, he sent a telegram signed JACK C. HALLORAN,  
Cohoes, New York, to JACK RUBY at the Dallas Police Department,  
Dallas, Texas. He recalled his message was to the effect:

"Thank you my friend and fellow American."

HALLORAN advised he was emotionally upset over the  
assassination of President KENNEDY. On impulse he reasoned  
that OSWALD was a Communist and had murdered a police officer  
in addition to the President. Upon seeing him brought to  
justice so swiftly by RUBY, HALLORAN decided to send the  
telegram.

HALLORAN stated he is not acquainted with either RUBY  
or OSWALD and knows of no connection between them.

HALLORAN advised he is employed as an electrician  
by the State of New York, Office of General Services.

On December 20, 1963, EDWARD J. KANE advised  
he resides at 19 Vleet Street, phone Cedar 7-9352, and is  
employed as a route salesman for the Cook Coffee Company,  
Cohoes, New York, and as a Marshal of the City Court in  
Cohoes, New York. He volunteered that additionally he is an  
official of the local Democratic party in the city of Cohoes.