

Domestic Intelligence Division

INFORMATIVE NOTE

Date 1-12-68

The attached concerns an assault on one James Hicks, a witness in the probe of the assassination of President Kennedy by New Orleans District Attorney Garrison Hicks, who claims he witnessed the assassination claims he was assaulted by two Negroes in his motel room yesterday. In a letter to the Attorney General on 1-8-68 we stated a check of our files disclosed that the name of James Hicks did not come up in connection with our investigation of the assassination nor does it appear in the index of the Warren Commission Report. Hicks is apparently a publicity seeker.

Lawrence J. Howard, mentioned in attached, is an individual Garrison is attempting to serve a subpoena to in Los Angeles, California, as allegedly having known Lee Harvey Oswald or Jack Ruby. Our investigation of the assassination disclosed no information that Howard knew Oswald or Ruby. By letter dated 12-28-67 we furnished pertinent data in our file regarding Howard to the White House and Attorney General.

Since information in the attached has been obtained through news media, no dissemination is being made.

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