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[redacted], Phoenix, Arizona, telephone number [redacted], was interviewed at a construction site where he is employed by Phoenix Gunite, Inc., as a supervisor. He was advised of the identity of the interviewing Agent and provided the following information:

In 1963, he was employed as a foreman with Johnson Western Gunite Company, and worked for this company on the construction of a Tri-City sewer project outside of Phoenix. In November, 1963, at the time of the assassination of President KENNEDY, he was working for Johnson Western on a construction project at the Phoenix Jail. Working for him along with others at this time, were [redacted] and [redacted].

[redacted] advised he does not recall having been in the River Bottom Bar with the above-named individuals, but it is possible he may have stopped in this or another bar with them to have a beer.

[redacted] stated he recalls at no time hearing anyone comment prior to the assassination of President KENNEDY concerning the likelihood of anything happening to President KENNEDY when he was to go to Dallas or anywhere else. If any such comment were made which he might have heard shortly before the time of the assassination, he is certain he would have recalled it when he heard of the assassination. He stated that he was very shocked when he heard of the shooting of President KENNEDY and reiterated that he would have recalled any comments or discussions preceding this event relating to any actions adverse to the safety of the President.

[redacted] stated that neither before, at the time of, nor following the assassination of President KENNEDY does he recall [redacted] making any comments to him regarding any prior threats of KENNEDY's life or relating to KENNEDY's safety or stating that he [redacted] had heard any such remarks nor that he recognized anyone who had supposedly made any such remarks in any films or reports relating to the assassination.

Interviewed on 12/10/75 at Tempe, Arizona File # Phoenix 89-42
by SA [redacted] lme Date dictated 12/10/75

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[redacted] stated that a great deal of what [redacted] says he would just "let go in one ear and out the other". [redacted] is the type of person, [redacted] stated, who tends to exaggerate things and to tell wild stories. He always claims to be "the best" at anything he does not matter what it might be. An example of this was when he employed [redacted] it was as a mixer (of the gunite concrete used in the gunite processing). [redacted] considered himself to be the greatest mixer in the world. [redacted] always felt he knew more about everything than anyone else. [redacted] stated he would place little credence in what [redacted] has to say insofar as his stories go. He is inclined to relate all sorts of wild stories.

The last time he spoke with [redacted] was several years ago when [redacted] called him at Christmas time to wish him Christmas greetings. [redacted] was intoxicated at the time and he could not make much sense out of what [redacted] said, but [redacted] did advise him that his "wife [redacted]" had died.

[redacted] advised that JERRY O'REILLY is deceased.

[redacted] stated that he has not seen [redacted] for many years as [redacted] returned to California following completion of the Johnson Western projects in the Phoenix area; however, [redacted] called him he believes from Seattle, Washington a few years ago concerning some gunite equipment and it is [redacted]'s recollection that [redacted] was planning to go into the gunite business with another individual in the Seattle area.