

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. Wick *Wick*

FROM : M. A. Jones *M.A. Jones*

SUBJECT: LEONARD J. SHORTELL *Shortell*

DATE: 2-7-67

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The Washington Field Office has advised that captioned individual, who lives in Alexandria, Virginia, telephonically contacted WFO on 1-24-67. He indicated he had just spoken to a Secret Service Representative concerning the Manchester book on the assassination of President Kennedy.

Shortell claimed that the Secret Service man to whom he spoke made a comment to the effect that Shortell must be "some kind of a nut" to call the White House for that reason. He further alleged that the Secret Service man told him that he was a well-known caller to the White House. Shortell took exception to the Secret Service man's attitude and wanted this to be a matter of record to the FBI. He said he often calls the FBI to discuss his feelings about various matters and has spoken to Mr. DeLoach on the phone in the past.

Mr. Donahoe asked what our files show on Shortell. There is only one reference in Bureau files to Leonard J. Shortell. This is a personnel file which reflects that one Leonard Joseph Shortell, who was born on 5-6-13, in Ansonia, Connecticut, applied for the position of typist and messenger on 7-9-37. He was not recommended inasmuch as he had the approach of a high pressure salesman, was talkative, and very headstrong. The Bureau representative who interviewed him stated that it was apparent that he was intoxicated at the time of interview. No consideration, of course, was given to his application for employment. (67-105546)

RECOMMENDATION:

For information.

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