

RFK Case Options

1. Examine interviews of witnesses not called to testify at trial, including pantry eyewitnesses, from trial exhibits 84-88 and 115. Copy relevant parts. County Clerk's office.
2. Examine body of Kranz investigative material, said by him to have been deposited with DA's office and to be available for inspection. Copy relevant parts.
3. Examine reports, photographs, documents from DA office's pantry raid of December 18, 1975. Copy relevant parts. Presumably at DA's office.
4. Locate and inspect all material and reports compiled by the partial investigation authorized by the Supervisors after Lowenstein-Schrade-Joling testimony in 1977. Investigation at least partly conducted by Chief Administrative Officer's office. Presumably located there. Copy relevant parts.
5. Methodical, detailed, rigorous analysis of FBI FOIA documents, beyond what has been done thus far. This should generate indexes, memos, and lists of questions. May involve follow-up with FBI.
6. Address specific written inquiries about key issues to Police Commission, which promised at one point to respond to such questions, as a way of avoiding allowing direct access. This results in either obtaining information or documenting official unresponsiveness. Formal and/or informal informational efforts may be directed to other agencies as well.
7. Informational efforts at Washington end (FBI, Justice Department), either independently or with assistance of congressional offices or others. This would benefit from detailed work on FBI FOIA documents, but an effective impartial investigation of FBI's work in connection with pantry and crime scene alone would be invaluable. Others may be able to corroborate bullet holes, etc. FBI replies to citizen inquiries in past have been frivolous.
8. Legal actions to force production of information and documents. FOIA is one avenue, though others may exist as well. A long initial list of relevant documents and items of information exists (e.g. "Questions and Tests" documents, 1975 memos) and others would become apparent as work progressed. For this avenue to be effective, however, the ability (i.e. persons) to digest information dislodged would have to exist.
9. Stimulate academic project(s) relating to case. This could take a variety of forms, including law, history, or political science study among others. Work could comprise term paper, master's thesis or dissertation topic, or seminar or special academic subject or January Term project (see proposal). Among the possible foci for such a project are: 1.) FBI FOIA documents and follow-up; 2.) documents and evidence in possession of Los Angeles authorities; 3.) work or inquiry on other specialized aspects of the case and its background. This option is one of the most important, as providing the basis for formal, credible ongoing work.
10. Form organized vehicle as nexus for ongoing private efforts. This would help to clarify tasks, serve as a partial vehicle for action, and draw in and link up responsible efforts. Could be organized either more or less loosely,

with bank account and possibly non-profit incorporation (to enable raising funds), three member board. A key advantage of a partially formalized setup is the possibility of spreading parts of the burden and minimizing the debilitating aspects of lone, unaffiliated work.

11. Physical evidence tests or research. Some examples include: 1.) trajectory ricochet tests; 2.) bullet hole size tests; 3.) ceiling panel hole photograph work (entrance or exit?); 4.) key test with Chevrolet; 5.) leaded bore problem; 6.) class characteristics of H and R gun Y1332; 7.) issue of poor condition of Wolfer test bullets; 8.) specific leftover issues of firearms panel.
12. Obtain or have transcribed the firearms examiners' testimony in 12/75.
13. Photographic research. Various avenues (official and un-official, e.g. Frank footage, news agency morgues) exist. One particular critical issue: if a photo exists showing key part of west end of pantry before shooting broke out (e.g. during RFK's trip down, shown in Eppridge shots) this will reveal whether controversial holes were caused by shooting. Other questions relate to issues of layout, witness locations, movement during shooting period (e.g. Jim Wilson footage, Weisel footage).
14. Investigative as opposed to "research" efforts. Among possibilities are issues relating to Ace, Alfeld, Lockheed, Ambassador, Pena, Gindroz, Rathke, Van Antwerp, etc. Some potential contacts exist in these connections. Also, follow up 1/20/75 memo.
15. Efforts toward initiation of complete or partial independent official re-investigation. A great many avenues and sources are partially or completely blocked without an official effort with its advantages of access and resources. Relevant government levels are city, county, state, federal.
16. Contacts with employees, bystanders, official personnel, others who might have observed damage or lack thereof to pantry during and after the shooting.
17. Audio analysis. Acquire additional tapes from period of shooting.
18. Recruit significant investigative or journalistic input from outside. Obtain involvement or support from relevant organizations, legal groups, or foundations (e.g. Fund for Investigative Journalism).
19. Detailed survey, analysis and collation of information currently held but dispersed in different places. Parts have not yet been closely sifted and compared.
20. Summarize existing information in best formats for effective presentation of the travesties of this case. Formal or informal communication.

This list is not exhaustive, and can be refined with additional work and information. Important earlier documents on these questions are the "Questions and Tests" summaries and the memos of 11/25/75 and 12/19/75.