MEMORANDUM

March 20, 1968

TO: JIM GARRISON, District Attorney

FROM: STEPHEN JAFFE, Investigator

RE: ROY B. LOFTIN

In reference to our continuing investigation into this matter I would like to refer you to the attached materials which should be examined for further value to MR. LOFTIN'S relationship to the case. I have been informed that MR. LOFTIN'S secretary, MISS BARBARA MURRAY will be terminating her employment shortly and that SUZANNE DOUGLAS has been offered the job. She has told me that she does not plan to take the job on a permanent basis but will do some work temporarily. She said that another girl with whom she is close friends will be taking the job and will continue to furnish us with information. This entire investigation should be handled with the highest security as we do not want to endanger MR. LOFTIN'S privacy unneccessarily.

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108 No. Sycamore Ave., Apt. 3
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District Attorney Jim Garrison New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear -Mr. Garrison:

I must congratulate you on your interview with Playboy Staffer Norden in the October edition of Playboy Magazine. In all honesty, I must admit that prior to reading this, I had considerable doubt about your investigation and your reasons for pursuing same. However, fter reading this, I am astounded and enraged concerning the deliberate and calculated mispersentations and falsities haved on the public... I congratulate you on your tenach. It is a lot easier to fight City Hall than the C.I.A.

Something came to mind that I must pass along to you - for whatever (if any) good it might do in assisting your investigation. I, of course, would appreciate my name being kept a mystery in the event you desire to pursue the matter. Several months ago I was a dinner guest at the home of one Roy B. Lofton, a business promoter who lives at 1573 Sunset Plaza, Los Angeles, phone OL 7-1834. Mr. Lofton is a very close friend of Pierre and Nicole Salinger. During the course of the evening, Mr. Lofton produced a scrapbook containing certain photographs and miscellaneous documents regarding the Kennedy assassination. In particular, I recall seeing several photographs of Lee Harvey Oswald on the autopsy table, and a xerox copy of what was reported to be Jack Ruby's last letter before dying. There were other things in the scrapbook (I presume Mr. Lofton obtained these things from Mr. Salinger), but I cannot recall what they were. Ruby's letter was quite lengthy and shakily written, and I did not have an opportunity to read its contents. Mr. Lofton is also a close friend of Clint Murchison Jr. (the Texas oilman), and could have, of course, obtained the foregoing from other sources as he travels a good deal. In any event, I thought I'd pass this along to you.

As you can tell from the envelope, I am employed in a defense trial firm here in Los Angeles. I made xerox copies of your interview, and everyone here in the firm is most interested in reading it. I wish you succeed in your investigation!

Sincerely,

Luzanne Douglas

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December 21, 1967

I assume that I haven't heard from you since we met due to the latest developments. In any event, I was able to obtain some more information regarding the individual we discussed. I worked last Monday night at the law office in Beverly Hills, and was able to glance at a couple of files.

The airconditioning outfit is called "Climate Air Conditioning." I spoke to the subject on Monday regarding the job position, and obtained this information from him. is apparently a plant in Stanton, Calif., but he works primarily from his home or from the office of one "Bob Schwab" on Bedford Dr. in Beverly Hills. He told me that his company did the airconditioning for Cape Kennedy, Viet Nam, International Airport, The California Federal Plaza (L.A. I believe) and Century City. I returned his call Monday afternoon regarding a possible prospective employee, and the number I called was 273-4970. The phone was answered "Mr. Schwartz' office." I don't know who that is, and they wouldn't say what company it was. do know that it was a correct number, as I called back later and asked for the man we discussed, and was told I was unable to find he wasn't expected back that day. out any more about the airconditioning company, as there was no file on it in the law office.

Re the safe venture I mentioned, I found out from a file that it was called "Safe N Sound". Primary principals were the subject, Pierre Salinger, Arthur Godfrey, and Gordon McLendon. I don't know what happened on this venture as I had no time to read anything carefully. There was a good deal of correspondence regarding this deal to one Lester L. May, an attorney in the Dallas area, a John W. Vogt on Bellaire Boulevard in Houston, Texas, attorney Rogert Groban, 400 Madison Ave., New York. The agreement in the file (which appears to be the original one on the deal) was between L Research & Development and DeLetta M. and/or Frank P. Salido, Jr... Salido address was 9637 So. Brawley, Fresno. Many lawsuits and many claims seem to have arisen from this abortive deal... I don't know the details--- names were Taylor, Sunset Plaza, Furst and others. Attorney in B.H. apparently made several trips to New York, Philadelphia and Dallas re this deal. Copies of correspondence went to one Owen Baggett, c/o the subject's address.

Re the Vibrex Corporation (a Calif. corp.) thing (the sex thing). There was an agreement (unsigned) between Vibrex and one Owen Baggett. The Agreement was dated Dec.____, 1966. Vibrex's address was given as 19730 Ventura Boulevard, Woodland Hills. Owen Baggett's address was given as 5111 Balboa Boulevard, Encino. There were some notes scribbled on a yellow pad in the file as follows:

"Patent - Robert Comstock, B.H. attorney; Hans Berger, mechanical expert; Leo Shapiro, La Cienega (L.A.); Saul Ross, Dress Shop; Maurice Cutler; Leo Weinstock." I don't know the significance of these names. I know the deal went through. Also, although I didn't see it in the file, I am sure that McLendon was in on it.

Sorry this is so sketchy. I was afraid I'd get caught peeking and had to really hurry. I hope it proves helpful to you.

Still have made no moves re the job thing... tried to get someone I trust to do it, but she feared for herself and her family... Heavis scales are

I suggest if you write you address the mail to Miss Leslie Potter (my sister who lived with me this summer) at my address. Her name is still on the box at my home.

It was an honor to meet and talk with you.... You, of course, have my cooperation (whatever that's worth) and my best wishes for success.

Sincerely,

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 ${\tt P.S.}\ \ {\tt I}\ {\tt have}\ {\tt made}\ {\tt no}\ {\tt copies}\ {\tt of}\ {\tt my}\ {\tt mail}\ {\tt to}\ {\tt you}\ {\tt and}\ {\tt have}\ {\tt destroyed}\ {\tt any}\ {\tt notes}\ {\tt I}\ {\tt made}.$

OY B. LOFTIN



373 SUNSET PLAZA DRIVE, LOS ANGELES, CALIF. 90069 - PHONE 213 - 657-1834

January 12, 1968

Col. Tracy S. Voorhees 888 17th Street, N. W. Washington, D. C. 20006

Dear Colonel:

I am delighted you will be in Los Angeles for a week. Tuesday evening, January 16, is the evening of a small birthday party for Stirling Silliphant, a close friend; and Wednesday, January 17, two men our flying in from the East Coast for important negotiations with the company. The project they wish to discuss amounts to three years backlog of work, so you will understand I may be a little tied up with them Wednesday and Thursday. However, the chances are I will be available to see you as much or more than you wish. I definitely want to have one good evening with you so that we can sit down and talk about the past, the present, and the future. Between the two of us, we ought to straighten out Shenk. I have offered to give him a vasectomy; but he has reached the level of refinement where mundane discussions of reality are beneath him.

Whatever the schedule we work out, I am delighted you are coming and will look forward to seeing you.

Fondest regards,

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January 18, 1967

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Dear Jim:

Nothing really new here... Our friend was in Acapulco for a time and just returned. I haven't had another opportunity to look at any of the files again. Hopefully, will have that opportunity this week.

The pilot is staying at my apartment since last night. I'm sure that will be no problem. He is my cousin from Sacramento. ("Jay")

Would be interested in knowing who in <u>Vegas</u> you are interested in. I have done a good deal of hotel deal work up there and am in the in-crowd. Specifically, friendly with Dalitz, Jack Shapiro, T.W. Richardson, Yale Cohen, Hi Goldberg and Carl Cohen. It wouldn't be too difficult to keep my ears open up there... I go up fairly often as I have personal friends there. If I can help in any way, let me know.

I'll be opening my dress shop in February, hopefully - leaving here the 31st of this month. However, will maintain my friendship with L's attorney:

My personal attorney (re the dress shop thing) and good friend, Bob Feder, in Beverly Hills, shares space with Leo Gold - Beldon Katelman's attorney. I have a key to the office. There are no elevator operators or any people other than the janitors around at night - no one after midnight. It would be easy to get in and look at files of Gold. Interested in Katelman?

Things are getting hot for Steve, as I'm sure you know. Jay says Steve is being tailed.

Will keep in touch.

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Jear Jin:

No chance to be alone in the attorney's office. However, I did work for him last night and he was asking me about the party for the Pro. Bowl players. I mentioned that Murchison was there with the scrapbook kid following him around. The attorney told me (he thought it very amusing) that Gordon McLendon is making it wildly with Murchison's wife (who was not there at the party this year). Also, the attorney said that McLendon is making plans to run for Governor of Texas. Apparently McLendon told him, himself, as I've heard no other mention of it.

Did Steve tell you what I overheard re Karen's death? When I told Steve the story, I said that the person who called was a doctor somebody, and that I thought the first name was "Max". It was a Jewish name and Guy Ward and Clyde Duber pretended they didn't know who he was (although I wonder how he would know to call Guy Ward at the Beverly Wilshire Hotel if he didn't know him). Anyway, the person who stayed at my house a few nights last week called me several days ago, and read to me several names of people who had telephoned our friend up on the hill, to see if I recognized any names. Among them was a Dr. Max Jacobson. I am almost positive that he is the person who called the Beverly Wilshire Hotel. Anyway,

t is a strange coincidence. Also as a point of interest, Guy and represented Andy Prine (Karen's boyfriend) in his divorce ase. Clyde Duber was the investigator hired in this divorce ase. Although they didn't mention her name that morning in the otel, I am positive they were talking about her. They were very hook up by the call and didn't want me to know what they were discussing. ore later -- lots of luck with the new Governor. (That is upposed to be funny.)

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January 26, 1968

TO :

JIM GARRISON, District Attorney

FROM:

STEPHEN JAFFE

RE:

ROY B. LOFTIN, 1573 Sunset Plaza Drive, Los Angeles, California - a/c 213-657-1834 (See attachments)

Regarding MR. ROY B. LOFTIN, I have continued my investigation of him and will first relate to you the stories told by JOAN BILLISBY and SUZANNE DOUGLAS. MISS BILLISBY's phone number is Los Angeles, a/c 213-389-5961. This phone number is valid as of this date. SUZANNE DOUGLAS lives at 108 N. Sycamore, Apt. 3, Los Angeles 36, California. Her phone number is 213-936-6736.

MISS BILLISBY said that in August of 1963 she had occasion to be at a party at the house of MR. ROY B. LOFTIN of the above address. At. that party were the persons of MR. BOB LEWIS, a Beverly Hills Socialite who often entertains executives, MR. JACK SEABROOK, MR. JOE ROSENTHAL, MR. BOBBY BAKER and BOBBY BAKER's younger brother, who at that time was approximately 26 years old. She stated that MR. LOFTIN and MR. BAKER were extremely close friends. Also at the party was MR. HENRY WILSON, a well known Hollywood agent who is known for representing, exclusively, homosexuals. She said that she was out to dinner with this group and at the close of the dinner asked to be taken home. She said that she did this because she felt she wasn't compatible with that type of company. In 1964 in the Spring a girlfriend of hers had a similar experience which she related to JOAN BILLISBY and MISS BILLISBY described it as follows. MR. LOFTIN invited the girl upstairs and displayed to her a scrapbook of clippings which included several articles and photographs of LEE HARVEY OSWALD and other articles and photographs concerning JACK RUBY. She said that several of the photographs were glossy prints rather than newspaper photographs. She did not say that any of the photographs showed the two together. Also, the girlfriend's name was ADAIR JAMESON who now resides in New York and is an actress. MISS JAMESON also noticed a photograph on the dresser of MR. LOFTIN's room which was in a frame. She said the photograph was a glossy print again, not a newspaper cutout. The photograph showed LEE HARVEY OSWALD lying on the autopsy table after the autopsy. This photograph is one that is different from the photograph published inside the magazine showing LEE HARVEY OSWALD on the autopsy table. MISS JAMESON said that MR. LOFTIN had attempted to make a pass at her after showing her these items and that MISS JAMESON left the house.

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In a letter to this office SUZANNE DOUGLAS related a similar incident to the two previous incidents which she described LOFTIN taking her upstairs into the bedroom under the pretense of showing her some "stag films" which he did and afterwards showed her the same scrapbook containing at least two photos, 8 x 10, glossy type, of the autopsy of LEE HARVEY OSWALD. The photographs were taken from two different angles. After this MR. LOFTIN made a pass at MISS DOUGLAS and described several acts of perversion with which he wished she would comply. MISS DOUGLAS described her incident with ROY LOFTIN as taking place in 1966 scmetime around December as she remembered it was at the time of the Pro-Bowl game in Los Angeles. At this time MISS DOUGLAS was employed by the attorney who represents ROY LOFTIN, his name is LEONARD MAIZLISH.

MISS DOUGLAS described ROY LOFTIN as being well known for holding parties for visiting dignitaries from Texas. She further stated that his closest associations with Texas individuals were with GORDON MACLENDON, MR. CLINT MERCHESON and MR. PIERRE SALINGER. This is the same PIERRE SALINGER who served as President Kennedy's Press Secretary during his administration.

MISS DOUGLAS further stated that SALINGER and LOFTIN became close friends after the assassination when SALINGER came to California and ran for State Senate against GEORGE MURPHY. This was during 1964-65. At that time MR. LOFTIN then entered a business deal with MR. SALINGER having to do with the manufacture of safes. The deal was never completed. After that time MR. SALINGER became employed by Continental Airlines. LOFTIN and SALINGER have remained closely associated as friends ever since. MISS DOUGLAS further said that SALINGER spent most of the time during which he wrote his book at LOFTIN's house. MISS DOUGLAS stated that MR. LOFTIN is one of the co-owners of a product called the Vibrex, an electric vibrating machine which is sold in Hollywood and in Southern California. MISS DOUGLAS said on several occasions, MR. MAIZLISH, has related to her stories about LOFTIN's pseudo-masochistic tendencies. She said that as a joke, MAIZLISH gave LOFTIN a whip for a Christmas present in 1966 and LOFTIN placed it above his fireplace where it remains today. Another close associate of LOFTIN's is one MR. BOB LIPPERT who is known as a "stag film" manufacturer.

In January 1968 CLINT MERCHESON visited Los Angeles for the purpose of attending the Los Angeles Pro-Bowl football game and during that time he was the guest of MR. ROYIOFTIN. A party was held at the Scam Restaurant in Hollywood, California, for some three hundred persons including MR. MERCHESON and MR. LOFTIN and others visiting from the organization which owns the Dallas Cowboys. MERCHESON is a percentage owner of the Dallas Cowboy football team.

The attached materials on ROY B. LOFTIN which were discarded from his house are marked red according to what might possibly be significant details. We will continue our investigation of LOFTIN's scrapbook and report at a later date.