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Mr. EDGAR A. BUTTLE, visiting at the Croydon Arms Hotel, Miami Beach, Florida, stated his permanent residence is 3636 16th Street N.W., Washington, D.C. He stated he is a Hearing Commissioner for the Federal Trade Commission. He related that during the period 1952 to 1956 he was associated with the law firm of Finch and Schaefler at 36 W. 44th Street, New York City.

Upon recollection Mr. BUTTLE said he vaguely recalled having made some contact with a member of the Domestic Relations Court, New York City, possibly a Mr. ROMAN, during the period in which Mr. BUTTLE was associated with the firm of Finch and Schaefler.

It was Mr. BUTTLE's recollection that the matter pertained to a truancy problem of a boy whom Mr. ROMAN apparently considered too closely tied to the mother's apron strings. Mr. BUTTLE said he may have remarked to Mr. ROMAN that it was conceivable that the problem of the boy in question could be the result of too close supervision of the boy by the court or school officers, resulting in a psychiatric condition being forced upon the youth.

Mr. BUTTLE said he had no recollection of the name OSWALD, and following the assassination of President KENNEDY and the publicity given to OSWALD, he, BUTTLE, had no realization that he had in the past any connection with the individual LEE HARVEY OSWALD. He said he could not recall how the matter may have been referred to him, but indicated that Judge EDWARD R. FINCH, or the latter's son, may have asked him to handle the matter. He said he doubted that the case was anything more than a "total gratuity" and did not know if there might be any record with the firm of Finch and Schaefler.

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by SA JAMES J. O'CONNOR:JMS Date dictated 12/30/63

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