EXHIBIT NO. 2--LETTERS FROM JAMES EARL RAY TO JUDGE BATTLE

Exhibit 2-A. Letter of March 13, 1969

Exhibit 2-B. Letter of March 26, 1969

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Dear Sir,

I wish to inform the honorable court that that famous Houston Atl. perry Fairfleder is no longer representing me in any capacity. My reason for writing this letter is that I intend to file for a post conviction hearing in the very near future and don't want him making any legal moves unless there is my consent behalf.

Sincerely
James Earl Ray

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Hon. Judge W. Preston Battle
Judge of the criminal court
Memphis, Tennessee.

I would respectfully request this court to treat this letter as a legal notice, of an intent to ask for a reversal of the 99 year sentence petitioner received in aforementioned court. I understand on one avenue of appeal, I have only 30 days in which to file review notice, to have previous sentence set aside. That is the appeal route to which I address the court.

I also would like to bring to the attention of the honorable court, That Mr. Perry Foreman, The Attorney who was suppose to be representing me on this charge, stated in open court.

Ans. That since he "Mr. Foreman" was receiving no funds to help prepare case for trial, and he did not think he should be required to use his own funds, he requested court to appoint counsel to help defray costs. The court appointed public defender to investigate case and assist Mr. Foreman.

Two. Mr. Foreman said in open court he did not want, or expect to receive, a cent for his efforts.

I think from Mr. Perry Foreman statement to the press that he had a contract from me and Mr. William B. Hurley "representing" the case for $400,000, and that he was now to receive $150,000, should lay to rest the above two lies. Mr. Foreman told the court.

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Three; I, James E. Ry in turn, have not personally received, a cent from Mr. William B. Hare.

My only reason for bringing the aforementioned facts to the attention of the court is that I would respectfully move that the court appoint an attorney, or the public defender, to assist me in the proceeding, I have no stock bonds, nor have I received any funds from any source to engage consul.

petitioner uses the word "assist", as I hereby request the court, that I be personally present at the hearing, and to assist court appointed consul so that there be no repetition of Mr. Perry Foreman actions.

Respectfully

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I, JAMES A. BLACKWELL, HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE DATE WHICH APPEARS AT THE TOP OF THIS LETTER, ON THE FIRST PAGE, WHICH HAS BEEN OBLITERATED BY PUNCHING THE HOLE FOR INSERTION OF THIS LETTER IN THE JACKET, IS 3-26-69.

J. A. Blackwell
J. A. BLACKWELL, CRIMINAL COURT CLERK

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April 10, 1969
DATE

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