

# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Reporting Office <b>LAS VEGAS</b>	Office of Origin <b>LAS VEGAS</b>	Date <b>5/22/61</b>	Investigative Period <b>4/17 - 5/19/61</b>
TITLE OF CASE <b>ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI; UNKNOWN SUBJECT, aka J. W. Harrison</b>		Report made by [REDACTED]	Typed By: <b>hsl</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE <b>UPUC</b>	<b>b7c</b>

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REFERENCE: Report of SA [REDACTED] dated 4/11/61 at Las Vegas. **b7c**

Bureau airtel to Las Vegas dated 5/12/61.

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ADMINISTRATIVE:

Bureau has instructed all offices to expedite investigation in this matter. *u*

Information set forth in referenced Bureau airtel is not being placed in this report at this time since all offices have received copies of referenced Bureau airtel. *u*

Approved <i>[Signature]</i>	Special Agent In Charge	Do not write in spaces below	
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cc: AAG Civil Rights Division Form 6-94 B <i>[Signature]</i> 5/19/61		<b>MAY 24 1961</b> <b>MAY 23 5 50 PM '61</b>	<b>FBI</b> <b>REC'D - CIVIL RIGHTS</b>

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AT MIAMI, FLORIDA. During re-interview of EDWARD DU BOIS and BALLETTI, it should be noted that T. W. RICHARDSON, Reno, Nevada, denied knowing BALLETTI and denied paying BALLETTI money as claimed.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - USA, Reno

Report of: ██████████ hsl Office: Las Vegas, Nevada  
 Date: 5/22/61

Field Office File No.: 139-1 Bureau File No.: 139-1201

Title: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;  
 UNKNOWN SUBJECT, also  
 known as J. W. Harrison

Character: UNAUTHORIZED PUBLICATION AND USE  
 OF COMMUNICATIONS

## Synopsis:

FBI Laboratory advised handwriting of unknown subject, also known as J. W. HARRISON not comparable with handwriting of J. ROLLINS. J. W. RICHARDSON denies knowing BALLETTI and denies paying any money to anyone. Local charges of BALLETTI dismissed at Las Vegas. u

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DETAILS:

By communication dated April 11, 1961, the FBI Laboratory advised that the handwriting on the Kenilworth Hotel, Miami Beach, Registration Card bearing the hand printed name of J. A. ROLLINS was not comparable with the handwriting on the Riviera Hotel, Las Vegas, Nevada Registration Card bearing the signature of J. W. HARRISON. u

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AT RENO, NEVADA

On May 5, 1961, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] made available to SA [REDACTED] concerning TWYMAN WARNER RICHARDSON. u

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Four photographs of RICHARDSON were obtained. On May 5, 1961, SAs [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] attempted to locate RICHARDSON at the Riverside Hotel; [REDACTED] advised that RICHARDSON was on a trip to Los Angeles and Las Vegas. u

On May 11, 1961, [REDACTED] Nevada, advised SA [REDACTED] that a preliminary check failed to indicate that RICHARDSON is a stockholder in the Riverside Hotel. u



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T. W. RICHARDSON was interviewed at the Riverside Hotel, which he said is his residence and where he said he can be located at any time. u

He was informed that he did not have to make a statement, that he had a right to an attorney, and that any statement he did make could be used against him in court. u

He denied knowing ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI. He said he recalls from newspaper publicity at the time of the incident, the allegations that the telephone of DAN ROWAN was subject to surveillance. He denied having had any connection with the incident, and denied having paid any money to anyone in connection with the incident. u

He was informed that the United States Attorney's Office might at a later date bring this matter before a Federal Grand Jury, and that if so he would be subject to subpoena. He said he had no objections to so appearing as he had nothing to hide. u

He also advised that if he were placed in a group of men that he doubts that BALLETTI would be able to identify him unless he may have seen him in Las Vegas and know who RICHARDSON is just from common knowledge. He reiterated that he does not know BALLETTI or who BALLETTI is. u

On 5/11/61 at Reno, Nevada File # Las Vegas 130-1

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by SA's [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] dictated 5/11/61



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[REDACTED] Records Bureau, Clark County Sheriff's Office, advised on May 15, 1961, records of that office reflect that the charges of ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI unauthorized intervention of privacy and operating as a private detective without a license, were dismissed on April 24, 1961, inasmuch as the complaining witness did not desire to prosecute. u