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FACTUAL BACKGROUND FOR REASONS STATED
IN DISCHARGE OF CAPTAIN FERRIE

A.

During 1961 and 1962 the following criminal charges were brought against Captain Ferrie in Orleans and Jefferson Parish, based on sworn affidavits of complaining witnesses:

Orleans

- 1. 173-891 - Extortion - Nolle Prosequed, January 4, 1963
- 2. 171-957 - Public Intimidation of State Witness - Nolle Prosequed, January 4, 1963
- 3. 68056 and 68057 - Crime Against Nature - Nolle Prosequed, November 5, 1962

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- 1. 10304, 10305, 10306, 10307 - Indecent Behavior With a Juvenile and Contributing to the Delinquency of a Minor, all Nolle Prosequed, November 5, 1962
- 2. 10308 - Not Guilty, February 23, 1962: *(Transcript)*
- 3. 10482 and 10483 - Charges Unknown - Nolle Prosequed, November 5, 1962

B.

The following information, which should have been revealed in the application for employment or on the pre-employment physical examination form, was discovered during the investigation conducted as a result of the above criminal charges:

- ✓ 1. In November 1944 the St. Charles Seminary refused to allow Ferrie to continue in the Seminary because of his emotional instability. *CF. BISHOP JOS. MARLING*
- ✓ 2. Thereafter, Ferrie was treated for his mental problems by Dr. A. K. Gardner and Dr. Wilford Gill of Cleveland, Ohio.
- ✓ 3. After the above treatment, Ferrie reapplied at St. Charles Seminary, but was refused admittance. Over a period of years Ferrie has attempted to gain admittance to other seminaries but has been refused on the basis of his record at St. Charles.
- ✓ 4. Prior to applying at Eastern, Ferrie had been employed at Rocky River High School.
- ✓ 5. In 1941 Ferrie suffered severely from asthma and hay fever, which he controlled by administering shots to himself.

C.

Other Areas of Information Which Were Uncovered During the Investigation Not Previously Known to Eastern

- ✓ 1. Ferrie's record with the Civil Air Patrol and his organization of an unauthorized unit.
- ✓ 2. Ferrie's connection with a club for juveniles known as the "Omnipotents."
- ✓ 3. Ferrie's activities in New Orleans in connection with his claim to have a Ph.D. and to be a Research Psychologist.
- ✓ 4. Ferrie's public claims in New Orleans to be a graduate of Phoenix University.
- ✓ 5. Ferrie's involvement in 1960 in the case of runaway juvenile Albert Cheramie. *See memo from [unclear] to [unclear] dated [unclear]*
- ✓ 6. Ferrie's visit to Albert Cheramie, while the boy was in detention, under the guise of being a doctor. *See memo from [unclear] to [unclear] dated [unclear]*
- ✓ 7. Ferrie's involvement in 1961 in the case of runaway juvenile Alexander Landry, Jr. *See memo from [unclear] to [unclear] dated [unclear]*
- ✓ 8. Ferrie's involvement with the Holy Catholic Apostolic Church and his expulsion from that organization. *See memo from [unclear] to [unclear] dated [unclear]*
- ✓ 9. Ferrie's involvement with the American Medical Association, whereby he was warned to stop practicing medicine or face criminal charges.
- ✓ 10. Federal Aviation Agency fine in 1960 for permitting a student pilot to solo in his aircraft with a passenger. *See memo from [unclear] to [unclear] dated [unclear]*
- ✓ 11. Ferrie's speech in 1961 before the Military Order of World Wars, which speech was stopped because of Ferrie's attacks upon the President of the United States.
- ✓ 12. Ferrie's claim that some Eastern employees were communists and fellow travellers. *See memo from [unclear] to [unclear] dated [unclear]*

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Refusal of Ferrie to Cooperate in Company's Investigation of Above Matters

On February 18, 1963, the Company attempted to continue its investigation of the above matters by inquiries about them to Ferrie. He refused to answer any questions on the above subjects, including questions about his explanation as to why the criminal charges had been brought against him.

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