

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, NEW ORLEANS (89-69)

DATE: 10/11/67

FROM : SA's PIERRE D. FOURNIER &  
WILLIAM F. KUSCH

SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT  
JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY,  
DALLAS, TEXAS, 11/22/63  
MISC - INFO CONCERNING  
(OO: DALLAS)

LAYTON MARTENS appeared at the New Orleans Office of the FBI, 701 Loyola Ave., New Orleans, La., on 10/10/67, and furnished the following information:

MARTENS stated that JIM GARRISON, District Attorney for Orleans Parish, claimed to have GUY BANNISTER's files. BANNISTER reportedly died around 1963. MARTENS commented that GARRISON actually has only about 20% of BANNISTER's files; the other 80% are in the hands of a former employee of BANNISTER, possibly a woman. MARTENS claimed he did not know the identity of this person, but stated that one ALLAN BOWBOUEF (phonetic), an acquaintance of MARTENS, knows who this person is. MARTENS advised that he feels there may be some valuable information contained in these files and that GARRISON only obtained what was left behind when the files were removed from BANNISTER's residence.

MARTENS advised that he plans to talk to BOWBOUEF and encourage him to identify the person who has the above records in the hope that they will turn these records over to the FBI.

MARTENS stated that DAVID FERRIE once worked for RAY GILL who is CARLOS MARCELLO's attorney. FERRIE was an acquaintance of BANNISTER and BANNISTER did some investigative work for MARCELLO. MARCELLO reportedly did not like FERRIE. When FERRIE left GILL's employ he went into the gas station business which was reportedly financed by MARCELLO. MARTENS commented that he believes MARCELLO was coerced into financing this business because FERRIE had obtained incriminating information against MARCELLO. MARTENS advised that FERRIE had shown him birth certificates smuggled out of Guatemala for CARLOS MARCELLO when FERRIE was a pilot.

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FERRIE introduced one MORRIS BROWNLEE to RAY GILL. BROWNLEE was an investigator for GILL. BROWNLEE went through GILL's files for the purpose of gathering information regarding MARCELLO which would help keep FERRIE in GILL's employ. BROWNLEE did this because he was fond of FERRIE. MARTENS advised that due to the above he feels that both FERRIE and BROWNLEE were pressuring MARCELLO. He also admitted that this is a supposition on his part.

MARTENS believes BROWNLEE has furnished information to GARRISON in connection with his investigation of the assassination of Pres. KENNEDY and for this reason has not been subpoenaed. MARTENS also commented that GARRISON has a trumped-up narcotics charge which he is holding over BROWNLEE's head so that BROWNLEE will not furnish any information to other interested agencies. BROWNLEE is believed to be living in Middletown, Ohio, and employed as a pipe fitter. MARTENS described BROWNLEE as age 28, W/M, 5'9", slender build, balding, dark hair, dark eyes, intelligent. One of BROWNLEE's associates, JOHN GEORGE WYATT (phonetic) is reportedly an ex-convict.

MARTENS observed that the people involved in the GARRISON investigation of the assassination of Pres. KENNEDY fear GARRISON and did not trust him. He added that a noted psychiatrist in the South had commented that it would not take much to push GARRISON to suicide. This person also commented that GARRISON was paranoid. MARTENS did not identify the psychiatrist. MARTENS commented that GARRISON was presently seeing a psychiatrist, but does not know the identity of this person and for how long he has been seeing him.

MARTENS concluded that he presently resides at 1205 Bourbon St. and can be reached at telephone #524-3221. He stated that he is presently unemployed and spends most of his time looking into the GARRISON investigation. MARTENS said it is difficult to get employment since he was indicted by GARRISON in March, 1967, for perjury.