

To Louis Ivon
From Harold Weisberg
Interview with the Philip Geraci IIs

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Last night I had a long interview with Mr. and Mrs. Philip Geraci II at their home at 2201 Green Meadow, Metairie. Both were cooperative. I taped much of it for detail and will eventually transcribe that. I believe that for the most part, if not entirely, they were truthful. I will be hearing further from them. Mr. Geraci will photocopy a receipt given Philip by Carlos Bringuier showing that Philip had given him \$10.50 on 7/5/63, thus showing again an earlier and repeated relationship, and Mrs. Geraci will check with her dentist to learn the date or dates of appointments at that period, for it while she was driving to the dentist that she gave Philip III and Vance Blalock a lift part of the way the day they saw Oswald at Bringuier's. They also showed me letters indicating the records are wrong on Dwyer, that he is William W. Dwyer, ~~not~~ ^{not} Wm. J., Jr., and that he is in the Army, abroad.

Philip III is an infantryman, in Vietnam, amachine-gunner. The father is a gun buff, who went hunting for three days immediately after the assassination and was not home when the FBI arrived to interview his son Monday 11/25/63 (SA Harrigan).

The Geraci's have five children. He works for a contractor at Michoud. They are Catholic. Dwyer's address is 101 Adm. Co., 101 Airborne Div., APO SF 96383 as of 5/68.

Philip had long contacts with Carlos, going back, to their knowledge, to the summer of 1963 and lasting until 1965. They can help prove that at the very least Bringuier misrepresented to the Commission.

They also confirm what I learned from Raul Navas, that Philip had at least two approaches from a Latin named Mario whose last name Mrs. Geraci believes the children gave her as Bermudez. She says Philip told her they had no relations. Her initial information came not from her son but from the youngsters, including Raul, of whom she has a very low opinion. Further, she reported what she learned, and it is, apparently, where the gays were approaching the boys and how (Top Frost, cars) to the East Jefferson High and the junior high authorities.

Several cars were described to her, including a white car (of which both parents know) that was either a convertible or a sports car.

At first she indicated a second homosexual, Carlos, then changed this. Her story of Philip's initial failure to identify Oswald is consistent with his not having seen a real Oswald. We discussed this at some length and reached no conclusion. However, and Brin. the father is clear in his recollection that Philip told him the parting between Oswald was friendly, cordial, with a handshake, and not the story Bringuier gave.

The Blalock's have moved. Mrs. Geraci will undertake to try and locate them for me.

I discussed the situation with them frankly, explained the possible meaning of Bringuier's and the Commission's ~~purported~~ dishonesty, gave them a photocopy of Liebler's alteration of the testimony, and explained that interest by your office was possible. I promised to send them photocopies of the printer testimony. I also explained the Bermudez-Shaw relationship.