

I have no reason to presume you have a file on Edward Grady Partin. I am interested in knowing if you do and if so, if it includes his various criminal endeavors. If it does, then I'd be interested in knowing if it includes and for whom he rendered or may have rendered services. It would be good to know also if there is any record on him and racism. I have in mind the possibility that for a fee he put his organization at the service of others, whether ^{from} in Tennessee, Louisiana, or Washington. This is past the point where it began, of curiosity. It has had a basis for some years, since before the minitrial. Recently it has been firmed up more. I have a file. Bud must have a larger and better one. However, we will need everything possible, in time. HW 4/10/73 APR 10 1973 8

In my last I asked if you have a Partin file. May I also ask for a little thought, esp, meaning also ESP, from STM West? Assume he was a contractor or the subcontract or on that job. Who was the principal? Meaning could have been. Perez is obvious. Given the situation in Memphis, which, after all, is on the same river, would you conceive it possible that interests there put up the money? One of Garrison's early, right-wing supporters has been in my mind, especially after the Lomax pieces and their abrupt end with mention of the unnamed N.O. industrialist. Lou Davis. He helped Walker's march on Oxford. I can't see Partin doing this for himself. The Wyatt Sheridan mentions was one of his goons, as was Brownlee. I showed James Wyatt's picture. I can't get a clear enough reading on James in all of this. He could be feeding back, but he has given a lead that makes it unlikely. One we did not have. It seems to fit with one I was working on with no help from him, from some of the obvious checking Lesar has a friend do. HW 4/10/73 APR 11 1973 9