

MEMORANDUM

TO: Ron Haron
FROM: Chris Burton
DATE: 8/10/98
RE: Contact with former FBI officials

In an attempt to locate additional records for release under the JFK Act, I attempted to contact a number of former high-level FBI officials. I asked these officials whether they kept any records that are relevant to the assassination, whether they knew of any other groups of records that we should be looking for, and whether they knew of any other former FBI officials we should be contacting.

On July 8, I spoke to Alex Rosen, former Assistant Director, General Investigative Division. Mr. Rosen said that he did not keep any records of his own. He also said that he doesn't know of any relevant records, other than case files and other obvious files.

On July 15, I attempted to contact Clark D. Anderson, former Legal Attache in Mexico City. However, I learned that Mr. Anderson had recently passed away. I did speak to his daughter, who said that she was in the process of organizing her father's personal belongings. She will contact us if she finds any relevant papers.

On July 23, I spoke to Courtney Evans, former Assistant Director, Special Investigative Division. Mr. Evans said that, in accordance with strict FBI policy, he did not keep any papers at all from his time at the FBI. Mr. Evans was also unable to refer us to any additional record groups, since he was not personally involved in the assassination investigation. The person he mentioned

that would know of any such records was James Malley. Malley served as the FBI's liaison to the Warren Commission. However, according to Mr. Evans, Mr. Malley had been seriously ill.

I attempted to contact Mr. Malley on July 24. However, I learned that he had been hospitalized and was therefore unavailable.

On July 23, I also spoke to Robert Gemberling, who was a Special Agent in the FBI Dallas Field Office. Mr. Gemberling said that he has followed the ongoing debate about the Kennedy assassination, and that he also gives lectures on the subject of the assassination. However, he said that he does not have any records from his work at the FBI. He said that his role in the assassination investigation consisted largely of reviewing reports from other FBI agents, and that the information in those reports has already been made public. Mr. Gemberling did offer to contact us if he finds any personal records, or can think of any records that we should be securing for the National Archives.

I attempted to contact F. J. Baumgardner, former Chief of the Internal Security Section. However, the phone number we were given for Mr. Baumgardner was either incorrect or no longer current.

Clyde Tolson, former Associate Director of the FBI, died in 1975. However, his brother, Hillory Tolson, still lives in the Washington, D.C. area. I have attempted to contact Hillory Tolson on several occasions, to determine whether he is in possession of any of his brother's papers from his time at the FBI, and whether he would be willing to make those papers available to the National Archives. However, I have been unable to reach him.

I have also attempted to contact Sam J. Papich, who served as the FBI liaison to the CIA.

However, I have been unable to contact him at the number provided to us.