

April 23, 1996

Mr. Robert L. Pritchett  
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Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms  
Room 8290  
600 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20226

Re: Request for Additional Information and Records ATF-5 (1963 Investigations)

Dear Mr. Pritchett:

The ARRB requests that the ATF conduct a search of Headquarters and Dallas files for the years 1963, 1964, and 1965 for references to the following individuals:

- (1) John Thomas Masen, a Dallas gun dealer who was the subject of an undercover investigation by ATTU Agent Frank Ellsworth in 1963, and successfully prosecuted in 1964.
- (2) George Nonte, who in 1963 was a Captain in the United States Army and stationed at Fort Hood, Texas.
- (3) Lawrence Reginald Miller and Donnell Darius Whitter, who were arrested on weapons charges in Dallas in November 1963.

We would like to review any records responsive to this search in order to determine whether or to what extent they may be assassination records under the purview of the JFK Act.

In addition to references to the above-listed individuals, we request that the ATF conduct a search for, and provide us with an opportunity to review, any other records relating to the break-in and theft of weapons at the Texas National Guard armory in Terill, Texas, in November 1963.

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If you have any questions about this request, please contact Dennis Quinn or Phil Golrick of my staff.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely yours,

David G. Marwell

Executive Director

cc: Connie Drew, Treasury Department