

AuCoin, William John, Jr. M/W  
150 St. Agnes Dr., Memphis, Tenn.  
United Press International  
Social Security number -

Barnett, Paul L. M/W  
1733 Union, Apt. #607, Memphis, Tenn.  
Cowles Broadcasting Inc. - (WREC)  
Social Security number -

Batchelor, Ronald John M/W  
3172 N. Sheridan Rd., Apt. #922,  
Chicago, Illinois 60657  
Reuters News Service  
Social Security number -

Black, Catherine Susan F/W  
@ Black, Kay Pittman  
11 South Reese, Memphis, Tenn.  
Memphis Press-Scimitar  
Social Security number -

Brewer, Clyde Norman, Jr. M/W  
5597 Forsyth Drive, Memphis, Tenn.  
Scripps-Howard Broadcasting Co. (WMC-TV)  
Social Security number -

Brodie, Ian E. M/W  
210 East 68th St., New York City, N.Y.  
London Daily Express  
Social Security number - None

Burton, Anthony David M/W  
342 East 51st St., New York City, N.Y.  
Daily News  
Social Security number -

Chait, Manuel Louis M/W  
9630 Mesa Drive, St. Louis, Mo.  
St. Louis Post - Dispatch  
Social Security number -

Chancellor, John M/W  
3126 Woodley Rd., N.W., Washington, D.C.  
National Broadcasting Co. (Correspondent)  
Social Security number -

Chriss, Nicholas Christopher M/W  
12315 Broken Bough, Houston, Texas  
Los Angeles Times  
Social Security number -

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ITALY 11/22/62  
GARY 11/22/62  
11/22/62

Coffey, Raymond R. M/W  
Just returned from Vietnam  
Chicago Daily News Wire Service  
Social Security number -

Covington, Jimmie A. M/W  
3230 South Goodlett, Memphis, Tenn.  
The Commercial Appeal  
Social Security number -

Cumming, Joseph Bryan, Jr. M/W  
2604 Parkside Dr., N.E., Atlanta, Ga.  
Newsweek  
Social Security number -

Edmundson, Charles Franklin M/W  
1459 Jefferson, Apt. #10, Memphis, Tenn.  
The Commercial Appeal  
Social Security number -

Evans, James M. M/W  
4171 Argonne St., Memphis, Tenn.  
United Press International  
Social Security number -

Everett, Arthur Whittaker, Jr. M/W  
144-07 Sanford Ave., Flushing, N.Y.  
Associated Press  
Social Security number -

Farmer, Donald Edwin M/W  
4516 Downers Drive, Downers Grove, Ill.  
American Broadcasting Co., Inc. (ABC News)  
Social Security number -

Flynn, Brown Alan M/W  
401 South Reese, Memphis, Tenn.  
Memphis Press-Scimitar  
Social Security number -

Frank, Gerold M/W  
230 West 79th Street, New York, N.Y.  
Doubleday and Company, Publishers  
Social Security number -

Garcia, Louis, Jr. M/W  
1755 Laurelwood Dr. S.W., Atlanta, Ga.  
The Associated Press  
Social Security number -

Gillespie, Charles Randolph M/W  
29 North Reese, Memphis, Tenn.  
Saturday Evening Post  
Social Security number -

Goetze, Edmund Kurt M/W  
2870 Elmore Park Rd., Memphis, Tenn.  
WMC Stations  
Social Security number -

Griffith, Fred J. M/W  
4229 Vann Ave., Memphis, Tenn.  
The Commercial Appeal  
Social Security number -

Hamilton, Roy Bryan M/W  
3068 Scotland, Memphis, Tenn.  
The Press-Scimitar  
Social Security number -

Hershfield, Leo M/W  
2710 Riverview West, Bradenton, Fla.  
National Broadcasting Co.  
Social Security number -

Hickman, Reese Don M/W  
4931 Cloister Ave., Memphis, Tenn.  
Scripps-Howard Broadcasting Co. (WMC)  
Social Security number -

Hitchen, Brian M/W  
19M, Mediterranean Towers, Fort Lee, N.J.  
London Daily Mirror  
Social Security number -

Jaffe, Andrew Mark M/W  
1403-8 Ponce de Leon, N.E., Atlanta, Ga.  
Newsweek  
Social Security number -

Jarriel, Thomas Edwin M/W  
234 Spring Dr., Roswell, Ga.  
American Broadcasting Company  
Social Security number -

Johnson, William Leslie, Jr. M/W  
167 Shofner Rd., Memphis, Tenn.  
The Associated Press  
Social Security number -

Kavenagh, Charles Edgerton M/W  
1722 19th St. N.W., Washington, D.C.  
American Broadcasting Co.  
Social Security number -

Kelly, Charles Edwin M/W  
Tanglewood, Rt. 2, Nesbitt Ferry Rd.,  
Doraville, Ga.  
The Associated Press  
Social Security number -

Leaptrott, William Leon M/W  
Rt. 1, Box 68, Maywood, Olive Branch, Miss.  
Memphis Press-Scimitar  
Social Security number -

Lee, James Terrence, III M/W  
5466 Rappahnock, Memphis, Tenn.  
WMC-TV  
Social Security number -

Leifermann, Henry Peter M/W  
25-B Park Lane, N.E., Atlanta, Ga.  
United Press International  
Social Security number -

Lewallen, Lloyd Leo, Jr. M/W  
@ Allen, Lou  
49 South Morrison, Apt. #11, Memphis, Tenn.  
W.M.P.S. - Plough Broadcasting  
Social Security number -

Lewis, Joseph Anthony M/W  
Canonbury House, London N. 1  
The New York Times News Service  
Social Security number -

Looney, Douglas Shannon M/W  
108 Taggart Ave., Nashville, Tenn.  
The Nashville Banner  
Social Security number -

Lubenow, Gerald Charles M/W  
3460 Buford Hwy., Apt. M-2, Chanticleer Apts.  
Atlanta, Ga.  
Newsweek  
Social Security number -

McEachran, Angus Gibbons M/W  
3573 Northwood Drive, Memphis, Tenn.  
The Commercial Appeal  
Social Security number -

McKee, James Donald M/W  
3113 Dodson Dr., East Point, Ga.  
The Associated Press  
Social Security number -

McLachlan, Donald John M/W  
2000 Linwood Ave., Fort Lee, N.J.  
Daily Mail of London, England  
Social Security number -

McMillan, George Edwin M/W  
5 Baltimore Place, N.W., Atlanta, Ga.  
Little Brown and Company - Publishers  
Social Security number - Unknown

Miller, Henry Dennis M/W  
44 Susquehanna Ave., Great Neck, N.Y.  
London Daily Telegraph  
Social Security number -

Nelson, John (Jack) Howard M/W  
2158 Oregon Court, Decatur, Ga.  
Los Angeles Times  
Social Security number -

Norton, Thomas Eugene M/W  
3538 Hanna Drive, Memphis, Tenn.  
W.H.B.Q. - TV  
Social Security number -

Patterson, David Frank M/W  
567 N. Mendenhall, Apt. #4, Memphis, Tenn.  
W.M.C. - TV  
Social Security number -

Perkins, Jack M/W  
19620 Wells Drive, Tarzana, Calif.  
National Broadcasting Company  
Social Security number -

Perry, David Rogers M/W  
3184 Bellwood Dr., Birmingham, Ala.  
Southern Broadcasting Company (WSGN)  
Social Security number -

Porteous, Thomas Clark M/W  
1669 Forrest, Memphis, Tenn.  
Memphis Press-Scimitar  
Social Security number -

Pritchard, Alexander Van Court M/W  
221 Wallace Rd. (OR) 74 Pinehurst,  
Memphis, Tenn.  
Memphis Press-Scimitar  
Social Security number -

Pullen, Frances Kaye F/W  
150 North McLean Blvd., Apt. #2, Memphis, Tenn.  
R.K.O. General  
Social Security number -

Quigg, H. D. (Initial name) M/W  
41 West 8th St., New York, N.Y.  
United Press International  
Social Security number -

Ratcliffe, Robert Melville M/C  
1404 Worthington Circle, Memphis, Tenn.  
The Memphis World  
Social Security number -

Reeves, Billy Jordan M/W  
2153 Wellons, Memphis, Tenn.  
Plugh Broadcasting  
Social Security number -

Reid, McCann Leoroneus M/C  
4941 William Arnold Rd., Memphis, Tenn.  
The New Tri-State Defender  
Social Security number -

Richards, Robert William M/W  
1605 Vinton Ave., Memphis, Tenn.  
W.D.I.A. - Radio Station  
Social Security number -

Rond, Charles A., IV M/W  
2973 Getwell, Apt. #10, Memphis, Tenn.  
United Press International  
Social Security number -

Ryden, Carl-Olof M/W  
330 46th St., Apt. 7D, New York, N.Y.  
Aftonbladet, Stockholm, Sweden  
Social Security number - Unknown

Sartor, William G. M/W  
1242 Kirk Circle, Greenville, Miss.  
Time Inc. (Life), Harper & Row  
Social Security number -

Schardt, Arlie Wells M/W  
3502 Rockhaven Circle, N.E., Atlanta, Ga.  
Time Inc.  
Social Security number -

Schay, Earl Alvin M/W  
Rt. 1, Box 93, Lookout Mountain, Tenn.  
The Associated Press  
Social Security number -

Scott, Marvin M/W  
2000 Linwood Ave., Fort Lee, N.J.  
Mutual Broadcasting System  
Social Security number -

Songstacke, Whittier Alexander, Jr. M/C  
1634 South Parkway East, Memphis, Tenn.  
The Associated Negro Press  
Social Security number -

Squires, James David M/W  
103 LaVista Dr., Hendersonville, Tenn.  
The Nashville Tennessean  
Social Security number -

Starnes, Richard Talbot M/W  
1404 Gower Court, McLean, Va.  
Washington Daily News-Scripps Howard News  
Social Security number -

Stevens, Don M/W  
@ Nicely, Donald G.  
4384 Deborah, Memphis, Tenn.  
W.H.B.Q. - TV  
Social Security number -

Thornell, Jack Randolph M/W  
2817 Tugie St., Apt. "B", Metairie, La.  
The Associated Press  
Social Security number -

Waldron, Martin O. M/W  
14 Courtland Place, Houston, Texas  
The New York Times  
Social Security number -

Warner, John Ginn M/W  
1264 Cumberland Rd.N.E., Atlanta, Ga.  
United Press International  
Social Security number -

Williams, Robert Henry M/W  
385 South Highland St., Memphis, Tenn.  
The Commercial Appeal  
Social Security number -

Williams, Roger Miller M/W  
170 Westminster Dr., N.E., Atlanta, Ga.  
Time Magazine  
Social Security number -

Wilson, Theo F/W  
21 Chittenden Ave., New York, N.Y.  
The News  
Social Security number -

Withers, Ernest Columbus M/C  
480 Brooks Rd., Memphis, Tenn.  
The Associated Negro Press  
Social Security number -

Young, Rodney Lee Patrick, Jr. M/W  
8631 Glenn Dale Rd., Greenbelt, Md.  
Dow Jones and Company  
Social Security number -



9-18-68

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)  
FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987) P  
MURKIN

Submitted herewith is a eight-page list of communications media representatives who have requested permission of the Shelby County Sheriff's Office to attend the trial of JAMES EARL RAY.

For information of the Bureau, Memphis indices disclosed no pertinent derogatory information regarding any of the people contained on this list.

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FBI

Date: 9/19/68

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(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL  
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)  
 FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)  
 RE: MURKIN

Rebutel and Bureau letter dated 9/12/68.

The indices of the Los Angeles Office and the records of the Los Angeles Retail Merchants Credit Association and the Los Angeles Police Department are negative regarding LEON WILLIAM SHORT.

The records of the Los Angeles Sheriff's Office (LASO) contained FBI Identification Record under FBI No. 47 983 F for SHORT.

The records of the LASO revealed under Booking No. 601 160 that LEON WILLIAM SHORT, white male, born [redacted] Lima, Ohio, 6'2", 185 pounds, brown hair and eyes, was arrested on 9/29/67 by the Pomona, California Police Department. His residence address was listed as 4200 East Holt, Pomona, and his occupation as tile maker. His mother was listed as RITA JACKSON, 4130 East Mission, Pomona.

The records of the Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Office, the Santa Barbara Police Department, and the Santa Barbara Credit Association, all of which cover Goleta, California, were negative regarding SHORT.

Mrs. INEZ RICHARDS, established source, Goleta Lemon Association, Goleta, California, advised that LEON WILLIAM SHORT was employed as a itinerant lemon picker

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 Special Agent in Charge

LA 44-1574

by the San Marcos Labor Camp, 100 La Patera, Goleta, on 8/13/68 through 8/28/68. His Social Security Number is [redacted] His permanent address was contained in these records as 4138 East Mission, Space 56, Pomona, California. Mrs. RICHARDS stated that it had been learned from SHORT's foreman that, during his employment by the San Marcos Labor Camp, SHORT was described as having erratic behavior.

9/24/68

AIRTEL

AIR MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI  
FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (100-427) (P)  
SUBJECT: MURKIN  
CR  
OO: Memphis

Re Memphis airtel to Bureau, 9/9/68, Bureau teletype to Los Angeles and Sacramento, 9/12/68 and Bureau letter to Los Angeles, Sacramento, and Memphis, 9/12/68.

AT STOCKTON, CALIFORNIA

Mrs. MARIE BUBB, Stockton Credit Bureau, 322 East Weber Avenue, advised on 9/18/68, that she could locate no record for LEON WILLIAM SHORT. ✓ Sub N - 57  
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Lt. WILLIAM KATES (NA), San Joaquin County Sheriff's Office, Identification Bureau, advised on 9/18/68 that he could locate no record for LEON WILLIAM SHORT. -56  
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It is noted that Clements, California is a very small farm community near Stockton and that there are many itinerant fruit pickers in that area at the present time.

The Sacramento indices contain no record for LEON WILLIAM SHORT.

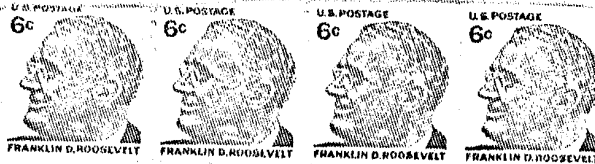
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J. RAY  
COUNTY JAIL  
MEMPHIS, TENN.  
USA



To, Mr. Frank Melton ✓

Chief Magistrate  
Bow Street Court  
London, England.

C/o Chief Clerk,

10-7-68

DEAR SIR;

I WOULD APPRECIATE IT VERY MUCH IF  
IF YOU COULD GIVE ME ANY INFORMATION  
ON THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS.

1. WOULD YOU SEND ME THE PRICE OF THE  
TRANSCRIPT OF MY EXTRADITION HEARING  
IN THE MAGISTRATE COURT INCLUDING  
THE PAPERS THAT WERE SENT OVER BY  
THE U.S. GOVERNMENT, MY ATTORNEY  
MR. HANES SAID HE HAD TRIED TO GET  
THESE PAPERS FROM MR. MICHEL EUGENE  
BUT REC'D NO ANSWER.

2. COULD YOU ALSO WRITE ME AS TO WHOM  
APPOINTED MR. EUGENE AS MY SOLICITOR,  
AS THIS MITE COME UP AT MY TRIAL

MR. EUGENE ASK ME THIS QUESTION ALSO,  
THINKING I HAD SELECTED HIM, AS I  
UNDERSTAND IS THE PROCEDURE IN ENGLISH  
COURTS, I UNDERSTAND MR. FRANK MELTON  
APPOINTED HIM OFFICIALLY BUT I WOULD LIKE  
TO KNOW WHO RECOMMENDED MR. EUGENE

SINCERELY

*James E. Ray*

P.S. THE NAME.

*Ramon George Sneyd*

WAS USE AT THE  
BOW ST. HEARING.

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*[Signature]*

JAMES RAY  
COUNTY JAIL  
MEMPHIS, TENN.



To Mr. J. B. Stoner

P.O. Box - 6263

Savannah, Georgia - 31405

11-8-68

Dear Mr. Stoner;

I will just write a few lines to thank you for coming to Memphis, also my brother come to visit me after you and I talked to him about the libel case and he said he would write you and explain some things more fully, about one change made in the magazine pertaining, I was also informed that some scribbler named Drew Pearson has been writing articles in some what the same vein, maybe his articles would interest you.

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I suppose he's another one of Clark's  
stoges. I guess that's about all for now

Sincerely  
James E. Ray

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*[Signature]*

Director, FBI

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SAC, Memphis (44-1987)

MURKIN

Attached are two Xerox copies each of two letters written by subject JAMES EARL RAY while incarcerated in Shelby County Jail, Memphis, Tennessee.

Copies of this correspondence are furnished for the information of the Bureau.

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① - Memphis

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)  
FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987) P  
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There is enclosed Xerox copy of letter written to JERRY RAY by subject in instant case. In addition, there is also enclosed Xerox copy of letter written by JERRY RAY to the subject who is in custody at Shelby County Jail. These are furnished for the Bureau's information only.

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① MEMPHIS

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*[Handwritten signature]*

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To: Mr. Jerry Ray  
1902 Cherokee  
St. Louis, Missouri  
63118

Dear Jerry;

I am just writing to let you know  
in case you forgot that visiting days  
are only days except Wed & Sun.  
I would be better if you come on  
weekdays then you could see that  
Bar association ~~visiting hours are 12:30~~  
~~until 3~~

well I guess that's about all  
I've got to say

To: Mr. Jerry Ray  
1902 Cherokee  
St. Louis, Missouri  
63118

Dear Jerry;

I am just writing to let you know  
in case you forgot that visiting days  
are only days except Wed + Sun.  
I would be better if you come on  
weekdays then you could see that  
Bar association visiting hours ~~are on 2:30~~  
~~until 3~~

well I guess that's about all  
I've got left  
fing

Jerry Ray  
1902 Cherokee  
at Lawin me.

Mr. Jones & Ray  
Shelby County Jail  
Memphis, Tenn.



HIP MAIL.



Levy Ray  
1902 Cherokee  
at Louis mo.

Mr James E Ray  
Shelby county Jail  
Memphis Tenn.



FILE MAIL.





Oct 14/63

Dear Jimmy,

Just a few lines to let you know  
everything is okay. I typed a letter to  
The American Bros Association explaining  
what you wanted to know, & also  
gave them your address. in case  
you wont there address its

American Bros Association, 1155 East 60th  
Chicago Ill. 60637.

Everything is about the same around  
here. I dont know anything news  
worthy as we still havent heard  
from Jones or Huey.

as I said in my last letter  
Ill probably be down shortly so  
if you want anything done for you  
let me know and Ill give you the information  
when I see you.

Ill close for now, Jack Long &  
Romeo are all okay. Write when  
you get a chance.  
Brother  
Jerry

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Brother  
Jerry

10-22-68

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

MURKIN

There are enclosed one copy each of letter written by subject to his brother, JERRY RAY, 10-17-68, and notes found in subject's waste basket 10-18-68. These were furnished by Sheriff WILLIAM N. MORRIS, Memphis, and are forwarded the Bureau for information.

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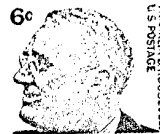
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To. Mr. Jerry Ray  
1902 Cherokee  
St. Louis, Missouri  
63118

10-17-68

Dear Jerry:

I will just write a few lines as I have  
something I would like for you to do.  
I found that London lawyers address I  
would you to call.

His address is.

MICHEL DRESDEN CO. SOLICITORS  
32 TAVISTOCK STRAND  
LONDON W.C.2 ENGLAND

AS FOR MR. MICHEL EUGENE.

ASK HIM IF HE EVER SENT MY TRANSCRIPT  
TO MR HANES AND ANY OTHER INFORMATION  
HE MITE HAVE.

YOU CAN GET THE PHONE NO FROM ANY  
ENGLISH CONSUL, THIS SHOULD BE ONE IN ST. LOUIS,

*Jimmy*

P.S. BRING PENCIL & PAPER WHEN YOU COME DOWN.

DID YOU GET BUS SCHEI

DID YOU SEE DRS.

WILL WRITE TO JUDGE ABOUT TWO SUITS

CAN YOU GET KING RECORD

GIVE BRO. POWER OF ATT. SO HE CAN DEAL WITH BANE

WHO DID ARTIST GET INFO FROM STEVENS OR BREWER

DID BREWER TALK TO ARTIST

HOW CAN MARINE PEOPLE ID. ME WITHOUT LINEUP

WHAT WILL AHA. POLICE SAY ABOUT DILIC.

IF WOMAN CANT ID. ME STEVEN WILL LOOK BAD.

~~DID~~

DID ANY WITNESS SEE ME IN COURT.

IT IS TOO LATE TO DO ANY INV. BEFORE THE TRIAL

BUT WILL DO IT AFTER TRIAL

I GOT DAY MARCH 5 IN DANK

GET HIRE ADDRESS FOR HOW HE WANTS ME.

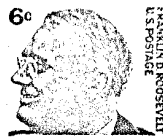
I GOT A MURDER CHARGE INSTEAD OF

10,000 FOR LISTENING TO RECORDS.

NO MORE FOOL PARTS.

found in trash can of Davis cell by Ptl. Miller (MPP) at  
12:45 AM 10-18-68

J. RAY  
COUNTY JAIL  
MEMPHIS, TENN



To. Mr. Arthur Hanes, att.  
617 - Frank Nelson Bldg.  
Birmingham, Alabama.  
35203

10-18-68

Dear Mr. Hanes;

I was thinking about that long list of  
witnesses yesterday. It seems most of  
them resulted from Mr. Hanes going to Chicago.  
Therefore ask him not to go to any of  
the addresses in Miami until after the  
trial starts. That way if Clark send  
a couple division down there it will be too  
late to put them on the witness list.  
That part of the story just covers a  
few days anyhow and is not too important,  
also if you didn't destroy these papers just  
send all of them to Jerry.  
That all for now.

Sincerely, J. Ray

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TO USE A SAFTY RAZOR, THEY HAVE THE  
SECURITY KIND THAT LOCKS THE BLADE  
IN WITH A KEY.

MR. HANES AND I DESIDED TO WRITE YOU AS  
HE IS TO BUSY TO FILE A MOTION, THE STATE  
JUST GAVE HIM A NEW LIST OF WITNESS AT  
THIS LATE DATE.

I WOULD APPRECIATE IT IF YOU WOULD LET ME  
KNOW IF THIS IS NOT IN YOUR JURISDICTION  
SO I CAN CONTACT SOMEONE ELSE BEFORE TRIAL.

IT, SEEMS THE SHERIFF OFFICE DENIED BOTH  
OF THESE REQUEST BY MR. HANES.

ALSO ANY THAIOR THE AUTHORITES DESIDES  
ON IS ALLRIGHT WITH ME. THANKS

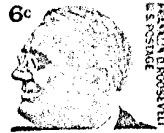
SINCERELY  
*James Ray*

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J. RAY  
COUNTY JAIL  
MEMPHIS, TENN



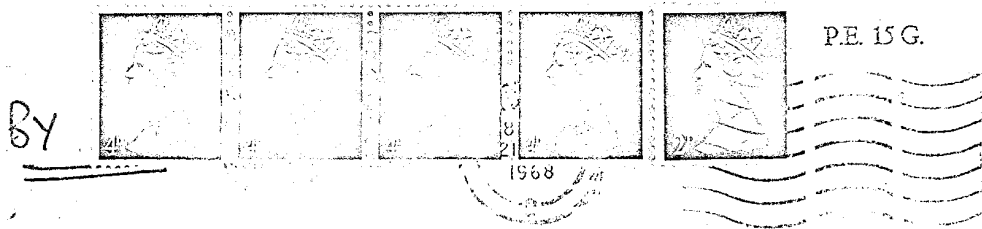
To, Hon. W. Preston Battle  
Criminal Courts Bldg.  
Memphis, Tenn.

10-18-68

Dear Sir;

I DON'T LIKE TO BOTHER YOU AGAIN  
WITH MINOR PROBLEMS, BUT IT WILL BE  
NECESSARY FOR ME TO BUY SOME CLOTHING  
FOR TRIAL, I JUST HAVE ON CHARGE AT  
THE JAIL, EVERYTHING ELSE IS WINTER  
CLOTHING AND DON'T FIT, I WOULD LIKE  
YOUR PERMISSION FOR A TAILOR TO COME  
IN AS I HAVE TROUBLE GETTING CLOTHING  
TO FIT.

ALSO SINCE I HAVE BEEN IN HERE I  
HAVE BEEN USING AN ELECTRIC RAZOR  
WHICH CAUSES A RASH, SO WOULD ALSO  
LIKE YOUR PERMISSION DURING THE TRIAL



Mr. James E. Ray,  
c/o The Governor,  
County Jail,  
MEMPHIS, Tennessee,  
U.S.A.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)  
FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)  
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Submitted herewith for the information and assistance of the Bureau are three items of correspondence. The first is a letter forwarded to JAMES E. RAY from the Chief Clerk of the Bow Street Magistrate's Court at London. The second letter was prepared by JAMES EARL RAY and forwarded to Honorable W. PRESTON BATTLE, Criminal Courts Building, Memphis, Tennessee. The third is from subject RAY to his attorney, ARTHUR HANES,

Of significance, RAY in his letter to HANES requests that Mr. HUIE not go to any of the addresses in Miami until after the trial. In this connection, RAY also states "that part of the story just covers a few days anyhow and is not too important."

The above material is being furnished for the Bureau's information.

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Tel.:  
TEMple Bar 9811

BOW STREET MAGISTRATES COURT,  
LONDON, W.C.2



AVM/RH

21st October 1968

Dear Sir,

Your letter addressed to the Chief Magistrate has been passed to me.

With regard to the extradition hearing at this Court, I should first explain that there is no transcript of the complete hearing. The only documents in existence were those sent from America and presented to the Court and the short verbal evidence, including your own, which was taken at this Court, but all those documents at the end of the proceedings were delivered to the Secretary of State. I do, however, understand that copies of the American documents and copies of the evidence given at this Court were in possession of the solicitor who acted for your defence, and I understand that he will be writing to you on the question of sending these to you.

As regards your second question, the assignment of Mr. Eugene, the legal position at the time that you appeared before this Court was that the Court, having granted you legal aid, ~~it~~ then had a duty to assign to you a solicitor from a list which is prepared by the Inner London Quarter Sessions. A defendant is normally asked whether he wishes to choose a solicitor himself from that list, but if he does not know any solicitor and does not wish to make the choice himself, then it is my duty to name a particular solicitor. This is done more or less in rotation down the list, but some special regard is had to extradition proceedings which require the solicitor assigned to have some experience in that field. The firm to which Mr. Eugene belongs, Messrs. Dresden & Co., were such solicitors and accordingly were assigned by the Court. The solicitors were then free to instruct whichever Counsel they chose, and apparently they chose Mr. Frisby. The point I must emphasise is that there was no question of any person recommending the firm of Dresdens. The assignment was in accordance with the normal practice.

Yours faithfully,

*A. M. indham*

Chief Clerk

Mr. James E. Ray,  
c/o The Governor,  
County Jail,  
Memphis, Tennessee,  
U.S.A.

Oct 23, 68.

Dear Jimmy;

Just a short note to let you know everything is okay, and that i got back okay.

I just got through typing Huey a two page letter, I explained to him everything you asked me to.

Expecially about you not wanting anymore deals through the Power of Attorney.

I also asked him to write to you direct, I also explained to him about the Money sisiution.

I tried to call him from Memphis, but couldnt get through because he has a un listed number.

I talked to Percy Quinn over the phone before i leftb Memphis, i really had a hard time locating him as he dont have a office plus he dont have a phone in his home, anyway i finally located him through a friend. He said he would be glad to come down and see you plus he will bring along the Attorney from Memphis that helped him in the case that you and i were talking about, the only thing is you have to send him expense money. here is where to write him in case you want to.

Percy Quinn

P. O. Box 63 Laurel, Miss.



I also called the wallace headquarters up, They asked Me to call them back Friday morning and they throught they could then give me the name of a type of Attorney that we are seeking. So ill call down there tomorrow and find out. Ill call down there day after tomorrow rather as i was thinking today is thursday.

Ill call Foreman up before then, Ill write you friday and let you know what each of them had to say.

When you send that Money, Dont send any for me, as i dont need any, so what ever you send ill mail to Stoner Ill close for now but will write Friday and let you know what i find out.

As Ever

Brother

*Cory Ray*

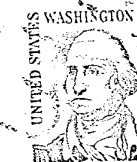
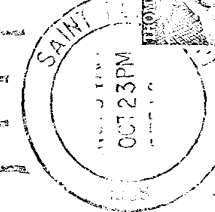
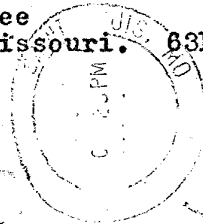
*PS - ill also try to find out about how to get the power of attorney*

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Jerry Ray  
1902 Cherokee  
St; Louis, Missouri. 63118.



Mr. James E. Ray  
Shelby County Jail  
Memphis, Tenn.

P.S.

The paper said that the judge gave  
3 or 4 seats to people who are writing  
Books, but it didn't give their names.  
When you write to the court clerk ask  
him who the authors names are, I  
suppose ~~some~~ people that were  
recommended by the Justice Dept.

If you can't get this information let me know  
and I will ask Home about it.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)  
FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987) P

MURKIN.

Submitted herewith for the Bureau's information is a letter prepared by subject JAMES EARL RAY to his brother JERRY. It is noted discussion is had in this letter about the number of seats that may be available at the forthcoming trial. The second letter has apparently been prepared by JERRY RAY and is addressed to JAMES EARL RAY. It is noted in this letter that JERRY discusses explaining a number of items to HUEY. It is felt this is a reference to the writer who is preparing a book about instant matter. JERRY also discusses an individual by the name PERCY QUINN in the letter, who reportedly resides at P. O. Box 63, Laurel, Mississippi. Information available to the Memphis Office discloses that a PERCY QUINN in Laurel, Mississippi, is well known as an attorney who has represented various Klansmen in the past. JERRY also indicates he had called the WALLACE Headquarters in an effort apparently to secure an attorney of the type they are both seeking.

This is submitted for the Bureau's information. As additional data becomes available, the Memphis Office will forward same.

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Hester



To. Mr. Jerry Ray  
1902 Cherokee  
St. Louis, Missouri  
63118

Wed. 23-68

Dear Jerry;

I will just write a short note,  
there was something I forgot to ask  
you yesterday. The judge has ruled  
that you are a friend can have a  
seat in the court at the trial, why  
don't you write to his court clerk  
and ask him the details about it,  
whether you have to use the seat  
as a friend, I understand to, clerk  
of the court, Judge W. Preston Battle  
Criminal Courts Bldg. Memphis Tenn.

I spent long

time  
Let me know if a friend can use the seat  
when you next. Also how many seats you will get.

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Date: 10/31/68

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL \_\_\_\_\_  
(Priority)

To: SAC, Memphis (44-1987)  
From: Director, FBI (44-38861)  
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Bureau is in receipt of a copy of a letter from James Earl Ray addressed to J. B. Stoner, Savannah, Georgia, as provided to you by the Sheriff of Shelby County, Memphis, Tennessee. This letter is thanking Stoner for coming to Memphis and states that Ray's brother will be in touch with Stoner.

In your teletype of 9/30/68, you advised that in the motion filed by Arthur J. Hanes, Ray's attorney, in Shelby County Criminal Court, Memphis, Tennessee, pertaining to Ray's corresponding with his attorney, Judge W. Preston Battle, ruled that written notes exchanged between Ray and his attorney are privileged; however, the Shelby County Sheriff or his designated agent has the authority to peruse these notes to determine if there is any attempt to breach security of the jail. These notes should not be perused for the purpose of ascertaining the full contents of the messages.

In view of the above order of W. Preston Battle, you should not accept any written communication from the sheriff regarding correspondence between Ray and other individuals. If it is not in violation of the court order you may accept information from the sheriff if he volunteers this information and it is on an oral basis only.

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J. BAY  
COUNTY JAIL  
MEMPHIS, TENN.



To. Mr. William Bradford Huie  
Hartselle, Alabama.

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NOV 19 1968

Hester

*[Handwritten signature]*

11-18-68

Dear Mr. Huie

In answer to your letter as of Nov-14-1968;  
Because of the recent developments you mention  
in your letter, there will probably be a different  
approach to my trial, However that will be  
entirely up to Mr. Foreman to decide, as for  
any payments that be due me for attorney fees,  
in view of the turn of events I would rather  
you not send any money to anyone including  
my brother Jerry or me. My reason for writing  
Jerry to have some of the payments was in the  
event Mr. Hones withdrew from the case after  
the trial, which he had a right to do under  
the contract, or if I had decided to hire a  
Tennessee attorney in place of Mr. Hones after  
the trial. I have also read an article in  
Sunday's paper where Mr. Hones is negotiating  
with Life magazine to sell the defense file  
he was going to present at my trial, If this is  
so and an agent of Life has confirmed the story,  
it would seem to effect to a considerable degree  
your story. I will pass on to Mr. Foreman  
your letter to me and he will probably write  
you, also it would probably be best for all  
concerned if you should want to correspond  
with me <sup>via</sup> you do so through Mr. Foreman.

Sincerely,

James E. Ray