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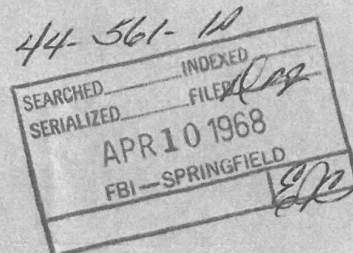
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(Title) MURKIN(File No.) 44-561-1A

1. PHOTO OF ALLEN RICHARD THAYER	4-10-68
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File No. 44-561 -1A'

Date Received 4-8-68

From SPEED PD  
(NAME OF CONTRIBUTOR)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(ADDRESS OF CONTRIBUTOR)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(CITY AND STATE)

By Schaubhauer + Roscoe  
(NAME OF SPECIAL AGENT)

To Be Returned ☐ Yes  
☒ No

Receipt given ☐ Yes  
☒ No

Description:

1 photo of Allen  
Richard Thayer



2025 RELEASE UNDER E.O. 14176



SI- 44- 561-121

Allen Richard Thayer  
4/8/68

File No. 44-561-102

Date Received 4-8-68

From Richard Thayer  
(NAME OF CONTRIBUTOR)

(ADDRESS OF CONTRIBUTOR)

(CITY AND STATE)

By Schoenberger & Pascoe  
(NAME OF SPECIAL AGENT)

To Be Returned ☐ Yes  
☒ No

Receipt given ☐ Yes  
☒ No

Description:

Signed warrant & waiver  
Interview Log

(11/29/66)

YOUR RIGHTS

Place Springfield, Illinois  
Date 4-8-68  
Time 11:25 AM

Before we ask you any questions, you must understand your rights.

You have the right to remain silent.

Anything you say can be used against you in court.

You have the right to talk to a lawyer for advice before we ask you any questions and to have him with you during questioning.

If you cannot afford a lawyer, one will be appointed for you before any questioning if you wish.

If you decide to answer questions now without a lawyer present, you will still have the right to stop answering at any time until you talk to a lawyer.

WAIVER OF RIGHTS

I have read this statement of my rights and I understand what my rights are. I am willing to make a statement and answer questions. I do not want a lawyer at this time. I understand and know what I am doing. No promises or threats have been made to me and no pressure or coercion of any kind has been used against me.

Signed Alvin P. Harper

Witness: Thomas M. Schenck

SA, FBI, SI 4-8-68

Witness: Robert Blum Roscoe

SA, FBI, SI 4/8/68

Time: 11:28 AM

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Interview Log for Allen  
Richard Thayer at Springfield  
Illinois Police Department  
Springfield Illinois

11:25 A Interview Starts -

11:27 A Subject was advised of his right to remain silent,  
right to lawyer, anything may be used against him  
in court which he relates, right to court appointed  
attorney. -

11:28 A Allen Richard Thayer <sup>288</sup> voluntarily signed the warning  
and waiver form -

11:30 A Interview in progress -

11:33 A Interviewee requests cigarette and cigarette was  
given to him -

11:52 A The interview was concluded and interviewee was  
placed back in his cell -

Interview Log Prepared by SA Robert Blum Rascoe  
4/8/68.

Interviewing Agents were Thomas M. Schoenhofer  
and Robert Blum Rascoe on 4/8/68 during the  
above listed times.



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Interview log prepared by SA Robert Blum Rascoe  
Interviewing Agents were Thomas M. Schoenhofer  
and Robert Blum Rascoe on 4/8/68 during  
the listed times.

Witnesses: Thomas M. Schoenhofer, SA, FBI, SI 4-8-68  
Witness: Robert Blum Rascoe SA, FBI SI 4-8-68

File No.

44-561-1A<sup>3</sup>

Date Received

4-7-68

From

Don Barker

(NAME OF CONTRIBUTOR)

ident. AL AD

(ADDRESS OF CONTRIBUTOR)

Rockland

(CITY AND STATE)

By

Robert A. Wickens

(NAME OF SPECIAL AGENT)

To Be Returned ☐ Yes☒ NoReceipt given ☐ Yes☐ No

Description:

4 photos of  
suspect  
Billy Ray King  
2 sets mailed  
directly to Memphis



2025 RELEASE UNDER E.O. 14176



44-561-113

Name:	BILLY RAY KING
Race:	White
Sex:	Male
Date of Birth:	4/23/25
Place of Birth:	St. Joseph, Louisiana
Height:	6' 1"
Weight:	165 lbs.
Hair:	Dark brown (curly)
Eyes:	Blue
Complexion:	Medium to Ruddy
Residence:	102 Arlington, Lake Providence, Louisiana
Occupation:	Deck hand -Tow Boat
Education:	7th Grade
Marital Status:	Single
Employer:	KGW Towing Company, Greenville, Mississippi.





2025 RELEASE UNDER E.O. 14176



44-561-103

Name:	BILLY RAY KING
Race:	White
Sex:	Male
Date of Birth:	4/23/25
Place of Birth:	St. Joseph, Louisiana
Height:	6' 1"
Weight:	185 lbs.
Hair:	Dark Brown (Curly)
Eyes:	Blue
Complexion:	Medium to Ruddy
Residence:	102 Arlington, Lake Providence, Louisiana
Occupation:	Deck hand -Tow Boat
Education:	7th Grade
Marital Status:	Single
Employer:	KGW Towing Company, Greenville, Mississippi





2025 RELEASE UNDER E.O. 14176



44-661-143

Name:	BILLY RAY KING
Sex:	Male
Race:	White
Date of Birth:	4/23/25
Place of Birth:	St. Joseph, Louisiana
Height:	6' 1"
Weight:	185 lbs.
Hair:	Dark Brown (curly)
Eyes:	Blue
Complexion:	Medium to Ruddy
Residence:	102 Arlington, Lake Providence, Louisiana
Occupation:	Deck hand -Tow Boat
Education:	7th Grade
Marital Status:	Single
Employer:	KGW Towing Company, Greenville, Mississippi





2025 RELEASE UNDER E.O. 14176

**Name:** BILLY RAY KING  
**Race:** White  
**Sex:** Male  
**Date of Birth:** 4/23/25  
**Place of Birth:** St. Joseph, Louisiana  
**Height:** 6' 1"  
**Weight:** 185 lbs.  
**Hair:** Dark Brown (curly)  
**Eyes:** Blue  
**Complexion:** Medium to Ruddy  
**Residence:** 102 Arlington, Lake Providence, Louisiana  
**Occupation:** Deck hand- Tow Boat  
**Education:** 7th Grade  
**Marital Status:** Single  
**Employer:** KGW Towing Company, Greenville, Mississippi

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File No. 44/561-124

Date Received R/S 4-12-68

From Bureau  
(NAME OF CONTRIBUTOR)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(ADDRESS OF CONTRIBUTOR)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(CITY AND STATE)

By Schrenk (#63)  
(NAME OF SPECIAL AGENT)

To Be Returned ☐ Yes  
☒ No

Receipt given ☐ Yes  
☒ No

Description:

3 copies of a photo of  
laundry mark on the  
shirt + shorts





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File No. 44/561-1A<sup>5</sup>

Date Received 4-9-68

From \_\_\_\_\_  
(NAME OF CONTRIBUTOR)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(ADDRESS OF CONTRIBUTOR)

By Schaenhofer \_\_\_\_\_  
(CITY AND STATE)  
(NAME OF SPECIAL AGENT)

To Be Returned ☐ Yes  
☒ No

Receipt given ☐ Yes  
☒ No

Description:

2 photos of  
Allen Richard Thayer  
+ 8 negatives of  
separate views of  
Thayer.



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File No. 44-561-126

Date Received 4-7-68

From \_\_\_\_\_  
(NAME OF CONTRIBUTOR)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(ADDRESS OF CONTRIBUTOR)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(CITY AND STATE)

By Leht As. Winkner  
(NAME OF SPECIAL AGENT)

To Be Returned ☐ Yes  
☒ No

Receipt given ☐ Yes  
☐ No

Description:

1 own rights  
form signed by  
Bulky Ray King

YOUR RIGHTS

Place Lock Island Md.

Date 4-7-68

Time 4:45 PM

Before we ask any questions we want to make sure that you know your rights. They are as follows:

BRK You have the right to remain silent.

BRK Anything you say or answers to any questions asked may be used against you in a Court of Law.

BRK You have the right to talk to an attorney before we ask any questions.

BRK You have a right to have an attorney present during the questioning.

BRK If you cannot afford an attorney, one will be appointed for you, free of charge by the court.

BRK If you wish to give a statement now, without an attorney present you have the right to stop answering questions at any time.

BRK You are further advised that if you are placed in a lineup, for identification purposes, you have the right to have an attorney present.

W A I V E R

I, Billy Ray King, have had 7 grade education and I am able to read, write and I understand the English Language. I have read the statement of my rights as shown above, and I understand what my rights are. I am willing to answer questions and make a statement without a lawyer being present, and to be placed into a lineup for identification purposes without a lawyer being present. I understand and know what I am doing. No promises or threats have been made to me and no pressure of any kind has been used against me. I give the statement freely, voluntarily and of my own free will.

Signed Billy Ray King

Witness Robert A. McPhee

Witness Charles E. Smith, Special Agent, F.B.I.

Witness \_\_\_\_\_

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File No. 44-561-1A?Date Received 4-7-68From \_\_\_\_\_  
(NAME OF CONTRIBUTOR)\_\_\_\_\_  
(ADDRESS OF CONTRIBUTOR)\_\_\_\_\_  
(CITY AND STATE)By <sup>14a</sup> Robert A. Wickburn  
(NAME OF SPECIAL AGENT)To Be Returned ☐ Yes  
☒ NoReceipt given ☐ Yes  
☐ No

## Description:

Interview Log of  
Jelly Ray King

April 7, 1968  
Rock Island. ill

Interview Log

Billy Ray King

4<sup>45</sup>P - interview began -

King read your rights  
form and signed same.

6<sup>02</sup>P - signed permission to  
search his luggage

6<sup>30</sup>P - interview terminated

Robert W. Wickware  
Special Agent, F.B.I.  
Charles E. Smith, Spec. Agent, FBI.

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File No.

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Date Received

4-7-68

From

(NAME OF CONTRIBUTOR)

(ADDRESS OF CONTRIBUTOR)

(CITY AND STATE)

By

Robert W. Kichner

(NAME OF SPECIAL AGENT)

To Be Returned ☐ Yes

☒ No

Receipt given ☐ Yes

☐ No

Description:

Consent signed  
by Billy Ray King

To search luggage

April 7, 1968

Rock Island, Illinois

I, Billy Ray King, do hereby voluntarily grant to Robert Wickwire and Charles E. Smith, who have identified themselves to me to be Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, permission to examine my suitcase and duffle bag containing my personal effects and clothing. I have been advised of my right to refuse permission to examine my personal effects and clothing and fully understand this right. No promises, threats or offers of reward have been made to me to influence me to make this waiver of my right.

Billy Ray King

Witness —  
Charles E. Smith, Special Agent, FBI.  
Robert A. Wickwire, Special Agent F.B.I.

44-361-1A



File No. 44-561-1A9Date Received 4/8/68

From \_\_\_\_\_

(NAME OF CONTRIBUTOR)

(ADDRESS OF CONTRIBUTOR)

(CITY AND STATE)

By St Robert B. Blum St Thomas M. Schoenhofer

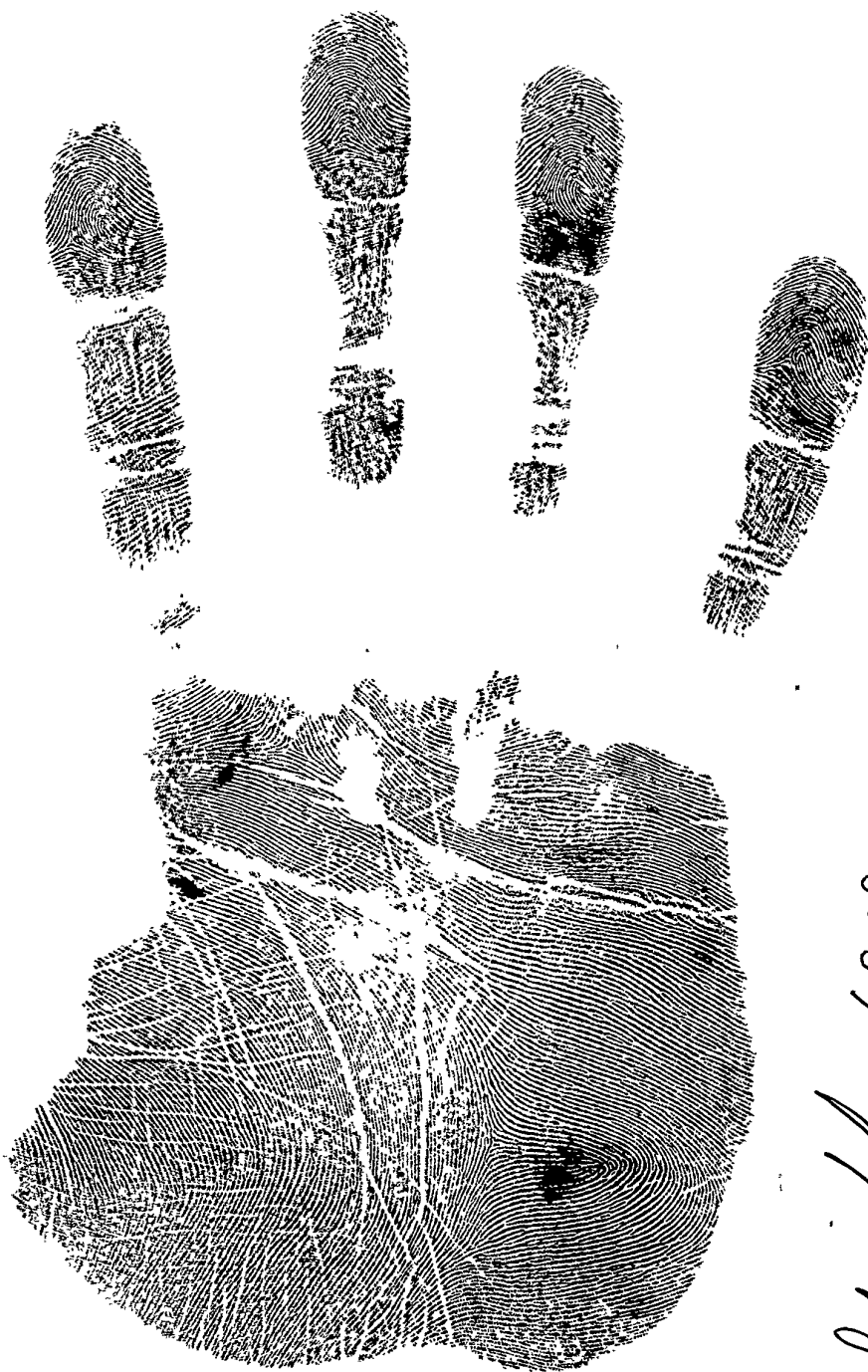
(NAME OF SPECIAL AGENT)

To Be Returned ☒ Yes☐ NoReceipt given ☐ Yes☐ No

## Description:

1 pressed impression  
right hand1 pressed impression  
left handsent Bureau 4/15/68 eal  
ret'd - 11/27/68. Rjt

Fress



*Allen Richard Elmer*

*SA Thomas M. Schunke 4-8-68*  
*SA Robert Blum Rascoe 4/8/68*



SA Thomas M. Schenck  
4-8-68

Reys

Wm. H. Meyer

SA Robert Blum Rescoe  
4/8/68

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(NAME OF CONTRIBUTOR)\_\_\_\_\_  
(ADDRESS OF CONTRIBUTOR)

(CITY AND STATE)

By SA Thomas M. Schaenhof  
Robert B. Roseare  
(NAME OF SPECIAL AGENT)To Be Returned ☐ Yes  
☐ NoReceipt given ☐ Yes  
☐ No

## Description:

2 rolled impressions  
of right hand  
3 rolled impressions  
of left hand

sent Bureau 4/15/68 eah  
ret'd 11/27/68 Rjt



Right

SA Robert Blum Powers  
4/8/68

SA Thomas M. Schenck  
4-8-68

Allen Richard Meyer

SA James M. Schenckel  
4-8-68

Row

SA Robert L. Blum Rescoe  
4/8/68



Alvin  
Richard Elmer

*Allen Richard Thompson*



*SA Thomas M. Schenckler 4-8-68*  
*SA Robert Blum Roscoe 4/8/68*

*Roll*

SA Thomas W. Schenck 9-8-68



Roll

Blum Richard Thayer

SA Robert Blum Pascoe  
4/8/68





SAC Thomas M. Schenck 4-8-68  
SA Robert Blum Rascoe 4/8/68

Allen Buckner G. Harper

Row

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Date Received 4/8/68

From \_\_\_\_\_  
(NAME OF CONTRIBUTOR)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(ADDRESS OF CONTRIBUTOR)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(CITY AND STATE)

By St Robert C. Pascoe Thomas M.  
(NAME OF SPECIAL AGENT) *Schoenhofer*

To Be Returned ☐ Yes  
☐ No

Receipt given ☐ Yes  
☐ No

Description:

3 cards  
prints # 1-10  
individual prints  
sent Bureau 4/15/68 eat  
ret'd 11/27/68 Rjt

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SA Thomas M. Schenck 4/8/68  
SA Robert Blum Rascoe  
4/8/68

Allen Rudman Chapin

#7

#6

#8

SA Thomas M. Schenck  
4-8-68

SA Robert Blum Rocco  
4/8/68

#5

Alvin  
Harold  
Gasper



#3



#2



#1



#1



Allen Richard Gaper

4/8/68  
SA Thomas M. Schenker  
SA Robert Blum Roscoe  
4/8/68

File No. 44-561-1A<sup>12</sup>

Date Received 4/8/68

From Chief, PD

(NAME OF CONTRIBUTOR)

Springfield, Ill.

(ADDRESS OF CONTRIBUTOR)

(CITY AND STATE)

By St. Robert Blum Rascoe

(NAME OF SPECIAL AGENT)

To Be Returned ☐ Yes  
☐ No

Receipt given ☐ Yes  
☐ No

Description:

1 fingerprint card

sent Bureau 4/15/68 sat

ret'd 11/27/68 Rjt



LEAVE THIS SPACE BLANK

TYPE OR PRINT LAST NAME		FIRST NAME	MIDDLE NAME	SEX M	RACE W
HAYER		ALLEN	RICHARD	HT. (Inches) 71	WT. 155
CONTRIBUTOR AND ADDRESS CHIEF POLICE DEPARTMENT SPRINGFIELD, ILL.		ALIASES 62705		HAIR Brown	EYES Blue
				DATE OF BIRTH 10-23-33	PLACE OF BIRTH BRISTOL CONN.

SIGNATURE OF PERSON FINGERPRINTED  
*Allen Richard Hayer*

*Robert Blum Rescoe*

SCARS, MARKS, OR AMPUTATIONS

Tattoo, Left Forearm Wrist

SIGNATURE OF OFFICIAL TAKING  
FINGERPRINTS



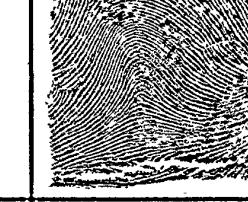







*Robert Blum Rescoe*





DATE

4/8/68

YOUR NUMBER	LEAVE THIS SPACE BLANK
PLACE FBI NO. HERE	CLASS.
REF.	

REPLY DESIRED? ☐ YES ☐ NO  
REPLY WILL BE SENT IN ALL CASES IF SUBJECT FOUND TO BE WANTED.

1. RIGHT THUMB 	2. RIGHT INDEX 	3. RIGHT MIDDLE 	4. RIGHT RING 	5. RIGHT LITTLE 
6. LEFT THUMB 	7. LEFT INDEX 	8. LEFT MIDDLE 	9. LEFT RING 	10. LEFT LITTLE 

LEFT FOUR FINGERS TAKEN SIMULTANEOUSLY 	LEFT THUMB 	RIGHT THUMB 	RIGHT FOUR FINGERS TAKEN SIMULTANEOUSLY 
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**WASHINGTON, D. C. 20537**

<b>OCCUPATION</b>	<b>EMPLOYER</b> (If U.S. Government, indicate military (give serial number) or civilian employing agency.)
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**RESIDENCE OF PERSON FINGERPRINTED**

**CURRENT ARREST OR RECEIPT**

<b>DATE ARRESTED OR RECEIVED</b>	<b>CHARGE OR OFFENSE</b> (If code citation is used it should be accompanied by charge)	<b>DISPOSITION OR SENTENCE</b> (List FINAL disposition only. If not now available, submit later on FBI Form R-84 for completion of record.)
		<b>FOR INSTITUTIONS USE ONLY</b> Sentence expires

If arrest fingerprints sent FBI previously and FBI# unknown, furnish arrest # \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

If COLLECT wire reply or COLLECT telephone reply is desired indicate here:

☐ Wire reply

☐ Telephone reply

Telephone Number including area code \_\_\_\_\_

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1. FORWARD ARREST CARDS TO FBI IMMEDIATELY AFTER FINGERPRINTING FOR MOST EFFECTIVE SERVICE.
2. TYPE or PRINT all information.
3. Note amputations in proper finger squares.
4. REPLY WILL QUOTE ONLY NUMBER APPEARING IN THE BLOCK MARKED "YOUR NUMBER."
5. Indicate any additional copies for other agencies in space below - give their complete mailing address including zip code.

**SEND COPY TO:**

**Please Paste Photograph in This Space**

Since photograph may become detached indicate name, date taken, FBI number, and arrest number on reverse side whether attached to fingerprint card or submitted later.



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