

File No.

44-775-1A25

Date Received

4-29-68

From

Frank Lesyna

(NAME OF CONTRIBUTOR)

2648 California

(ADDRESS OF CONTRIBUTOR)

St Louis Mo

(CITY AND STATE)

By

Patrick W Bradley

(NAME OF SPECIAL AGENT)

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

## Description:

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# COMMERCIAL LEASE

This Lease, made and entered into, this 1st day of October 1967,

by and between SHARON M. STOCKMANN

**Parties** hereinafter called Lessor, and CAROL A. PEPPER

hereinafter called Lessee,

WITNESSETH, That the said Lessor for and in consideration of the rents, covenants and agreements hereinafter mentioned and hereby agreed to be paid, kept and performed by said Lessee, or Lessees, successors and assigns, has leased and by these presents does lease to said Lessee the following described premises, situated in the City of St. Louis State of Missouri, to-wit:

**Premises** First floor store including basement thereunder known as and numbered 1982 Arsenal Street.

**Use of Premises** To have and to hold the same, subject to the conditions herein contained, and for no other purpose or business than that of Full Liquor License Tavern.

**Term and Rental** for and during the term of TWO (2) YEARS commencing on the First day of October 1967 and ending on the Thirtieth day of September 1969 at the yearly rental of Nine Hundred Sixty (\$960.00) and NO/100 Dollars, payable in advance in equal monthly installments of Eighty (\$80.00) and NO/100 Dollars

on the First day of each and every month during the said term.

**Assignment or Sub-letting**

This lease is not assignable, nor shall said premises or any part thereof be sublet, used or permitted to be used for any purpose other than above set forth without the written consent of the Lessor endorsed hereon; and if this lease is assigned or the premises or any part thereof sublet without the written consent of the Lessor, or if the Lessee shall become the subject of a court proceeding in bankruptcy or liquidating receivership or shall make an assignment for the benefit of creditors, this lease may by such fact or unauthorized act be cancelled at the option of the Lessor. Any assignment of this lease or subletting of said premises or any part thereof with the written consent of the Lessor shall not operate to release the Lessee from the fulfillment on Lessee's part of the covenants and agreements herein contained to be by said Lessee performed, nor authorize any subsequent assignment or subletting without the written consent of the Lessor.

**Repairs and Alterations**

All repairs and alterations deemed necessary by Lessee shall be made by said Lessee at Lessee's cost and expense with the consent of Lessor; and all repairs and alterations so made shall remain as a part of the realty; all plate and other glass now in said demised premises is at the risk of said Lessee, and if broken, is to be replaced by and at the expense of said Lessee.

The Lessor reserves the right to prescribe the form, size, character and location of any and all awnings affixed to and all signs which may be placed or painted upon any part of the demised premises, and the Lessee agrees not to place any awning or sign on any part of the demised premises without the written consent of the Lessor, or to bore or cut into any column, beam or any part of the demised premises without the written consent of Lessor. The Lessee and all holding under said Lessee agrees to use reasonable diligence in the care and protection of said premises during the term of this lease, to keep the water pipes, sewer drains, heating apparatus, elevator machinery and sprinkler system in good order and repair and to surrender said premises at the termination of this lease in substantially the same and in as good condition as received, ordinary wear and tear excepted.

The Lessee shall pay according to the rules and regulations of the water department for all water used in the demised premises. The Lessee will erect fire escapes on said premises at said Lessee's own cost, according to law, should the proper authorities demand same.

The Lessee agrees to keep said premises in good order and repair and free from any nuisance or filth upon or adjacent thereto, and not to use or permit the use of the same or any part thereof for any purpose forbidden by law or ordinance now in force or hereafter enacted in respect to the use or occupancy of said premises. The Lessor or legal representatives may, at all reasonable hours, enter upon said premises for the purpose of examining the condition thereof and making such repairs as Lessor may see fit to make.

If the cost of insurance to said Lessor on said premises shall be increased by reason of the occupancy and use of said demised premises by said Lessee or any other person under said Lessee, all such increase over the existing rate shall be paid by said Lessee to said Lessor on demand. The Lessee agrees to pay double rent for each day the Lessee, or any one holding under the Lessee, shall retain the demised premises after the termination of this lease, whether by limitation or forfeiture.

**Damage to  
Tenants'  
Property**

Lessor shall not be liable to said Lessee or any other person or corporation, including employees, for any damage to their person or property caused by water, rain, snow, frost, fire, storm and accidents, or by breakage, stoppage or leakage of water, gas, heating and sewer pipes or plumbing, upon, about or adjacent to said premises.

The destruction of said building or premises by fire, or the elements, or such material injury thereto as to render said premises unquestionably untenable for days, shall at the option of said Lessor or Lessee produce and work a termination of this lease.

If the Lessor and Lessee cannot agree as to whether said building or premises are unquestionably untenable for days, the fact shall be determined by arbitration; the Lessor and the Lessee shall each choose an arbitrator within five days after either has notified the other in writing of such damage, the two so chosen, before entering on the discharge of their duties, shall elect a third, and the decision of any two of such arbitrators shall be conclusive and binding upon both parties hereto.

If it is determined by arbitration, or agreement between the Lessor and the Lessee, that said building is not unquestionably untenable for days, then said Lessor must restore said building at Lessor's own expense, with all reasonable speed and promptness, and in such case a just and proportionate part of said rental shall be abated until said premises have been restored.

Failure on the part of the Lessee to pay any installment of rent or increase in insurance rate promptly as above set out, as and when the same becomes due and payable, or failure of the Lessee promptly and faithfully to keep and perform each and every covenant, agreement and stipulation herein on the part of the Lessee to be kept and performed, shall at the option of the Lessor cause the forfeiture of this lease.

Possession of the within demised premises and all additions and permanent improvements thereof shall be delivered to Lessor upon ten days' written notice that Lessor has exercised said option, and thereupon Lessor shall be entitled to and may take immediate possession of the demised premises, any other notice or demand being hereby waived.

Any and all notices to be served by the Lessor upon the Lessee for any breach of covenant of this lease, or otherwise, shall be served upon the Lessee in person, or left with anyone in charge of the premises, or posted upon some conspicuous part of said premises.

**Re-Entry**

Said Lessee will quit and deliver up the possession of said premises to the Lessor or Lessor's heirs, successors, agents or assigns, when this lease terminates by limitation or forfeiture, with all window glass replaced, if broken, and with all keys, locks, bolts, plumbing fixtures, elevator, sprinkler, boiler and heating appliances in as good order and condition as the same are now, or may hereafter be made by repair in compliance with all the covenants of this lease, save only the wear thereof from reasonable and careful use.

But it is hereby understood, and Lessee hereby covenants with the Lessor, that such forfeiture, annulment or voidance shall not relieve the Lessee from the obligation of the Lessee to make the monthly payments of rent hereinbefore reserved, at the times and in the manner aforesaid; and in case of any such default of the Lessee, the Lessor may re-let the said premises as the agent for and in the name of the Lessee, at any rental readily obtainable, applying the proceeds and avails thereof, first, to the payment of such expense as the Lessor may be put to in re-entering, and then to the payment of said rent as the same may from time to time become due, and toward the fulfillment of the other covenants and agreements of the Lessee herein contained, and the balance, if any, shall be paid to the Lessee; and the Lessee hereby covenants and agrees that if the Lessor shall recover or take possession of said premises as aforesaid, and be unable to re-let and rent the same so as to realize a sum equal to the rent hereby reserved, the Lessee shall and will pay to the Lessor any and all loss of difference of rent for the residue of the term. The Lessee hereby gives to the Lessor the right to place and maintain its usual "for rent" signs upon the demised premises, in the place that the same are usually displayed on property similar to that herein demised, for the last thirty days of this lease.

**Lessor hereby gives Lessee a Three (3) Year option for renewal under the same terms and conditions, and Lessee is to give a sixty (60) day written notice to Lessor before expiration if renewal is desired.**

Lessee shall deposit the sum of One Hundred Sixty (\$160.00) and NO/100 Dollars with Lessor as security for the fulfillment of this lease, same to be applied to the last two (2) months rent of said lease.

In the event of failure on Lessee's part to comply with said lease, the above security deposit is then forfeited to Lessor.

Rental as stated herein is to include Lessee's use of the following fixtures and equipment belonging to Lessor with the understanding, that Lessee is to keep and maintain said fixtures and equipment in good working order and repair at Lessee's expense.

- 1 - Wood Front Bar
- 1 - Wood Back Bar
- 2 - Metal 3 Compartment Dry Bottle Beer Boxes
- 1 - Stainless Steel Triple Drain Sink
- 1 - Draft Beer Box and Dispenser
- 3 - Compressors located in basement
- 4 - Wood Tables
- 15 - Wood Chairs.

This lease is contingent upon Lessee's ability to secure a full liquor license.

No  
Constructive  
Waiver

No waiver of any forfeiture, by acceptance of rent or otherwise, shall waive any subsequent cause of forfeiture, or breach of any condition of this lease; nor shall any consent by the Lessor to any assignment or subletting of said premises, or any part thereof, be held to waive or release any assignee or sub-lessee from any of the foregoing conditions or covenants as against him or them; but every such assignee and sub-lessee shall be expressly subject thereto.

Whenever the word "Lessor" is used herein it shall be construed to include the heirs, executors, administrators, successors, assigns or legal representatives of the Lessor; and the word "Lessee" shall include the heirs, executors, administrators, successors, assigns or legal representatives of the Lessee and the words Lessor and Lessee shall include single and plural, individual or corporation, subject always to the restrictions herein contained, as to subletting or assignment of this lease.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the said parties aforesaid have duly executed the foregoing instrument or caused the same to be executed the day and year first above written.

Sharon M. Stockmann  
Lessor  
Carol Kopper  
Lessee XXXXX

XXXXX

On this 21st day of September, 1967,

to me known to be the person<sup>s</sup> described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged that **they** executed the same as **their** free act and deed ~~AND SO BE IT DONE~~  
~~IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal in~~  
IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal in  
the **City** and State aforesaid, the day and year first above written.

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*Frank J. Lesyna*  
Notary Public.

*State of Missouri,* } ss. On this day of , 19 ,  
*of*

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the \_\_\_\_\_ and State aforesaid, the day and year first above written.

**Notary Public.**

# LEASE

**SHARON M. STOCKMANN**

TO

**CAROL A. PEPPER**

Premises No. 1982 Arsenal Street

Begins October 1st, 1967

September 30th, 1969

**\$80.00** per month

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Description:

PHOTO ROBERT DALE PORTER



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ROBERT DALE PORTER

DPOB

[REDACTED]

Clarinda, Iowa

Ht

6'

Wt

175

Eyes

Blue

Hair

Gray. in crew cut

SSN

[REDACTED]

b6

Wears glasses

Tattoos

"BETO" back rt hand

"Sufrendo Es Mi Destino"  
back rt hand

"MOM" and "DAD" left outer  
forearm, Air Force wings  
with "AAF" above on lt  
bicep

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Ht 6'

Wt 175

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## Description:

PHOTOS JAMES EARL RAY  
TAKEN LATE JANUARY OR  
EARLY FEBRUARY 1968 IN  
CALIFORNIA.



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Description: Photos James  
Earl Ray



JAMES EARL RAY

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FBI No. 405,942 G



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INTERSTATE FLIGHT - ROBBERY

F.P.C.: 16 M 9 U 000 12

M 4 W 101

Photographs on left taken 1960, other taken 1968

**DESCRIPTION**

AGE: 40, born [redacted] Alton, Illinois  
HEIGHT: 5' 10" EYES: blue  
WEIGHT: 163 to 174 pounds COMPLEXION: medium  
BUILD: medium RACE: white  
HAIR: brown, possibly cut short NATIONALITY: American  
OCCUPATIONS: baker, color matcher, laborer  
SCARS AND MARKS: small scar on center of forehead and small scar on  
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REMARKS: noticeably protruding left ear; reportedly is a lone wolf;  
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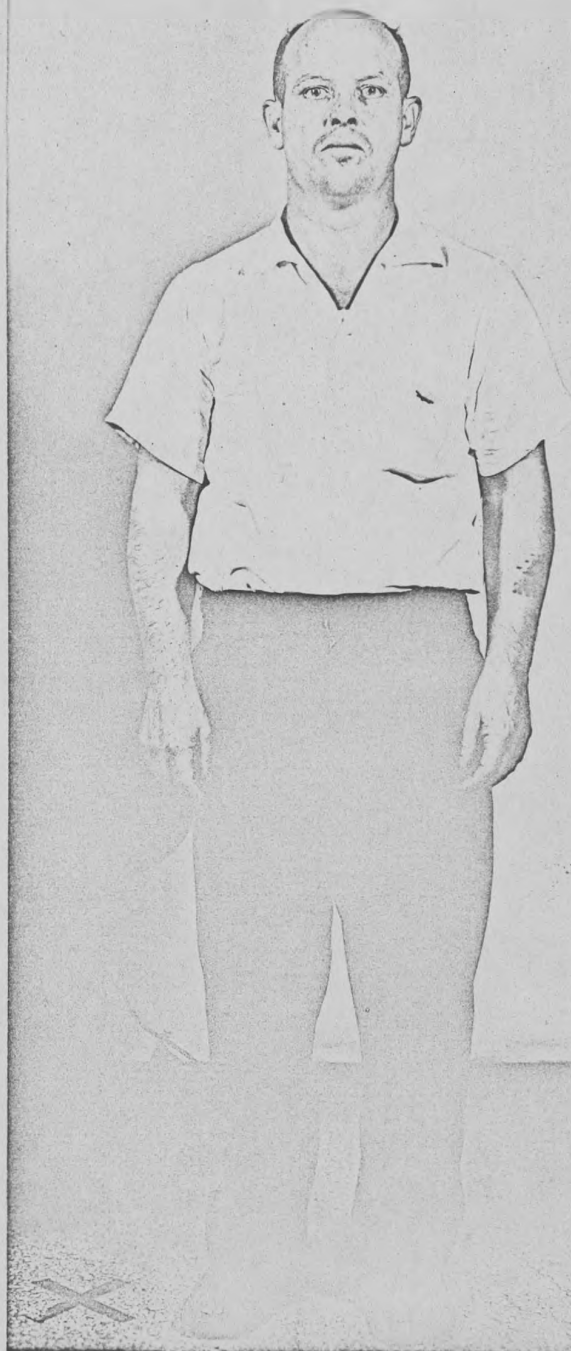
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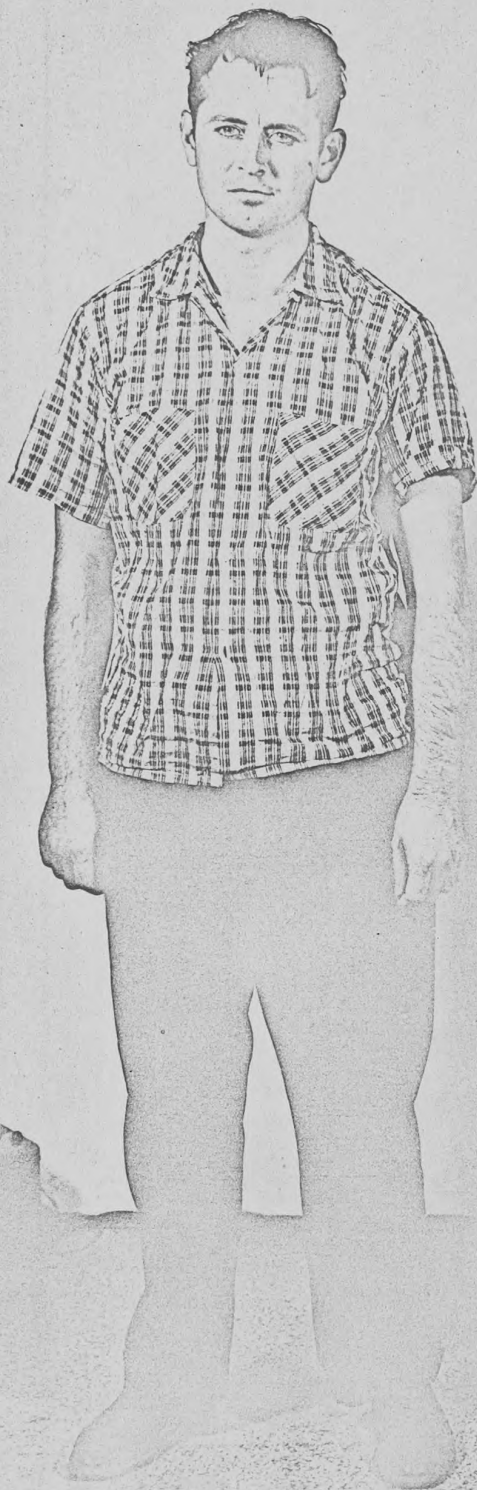
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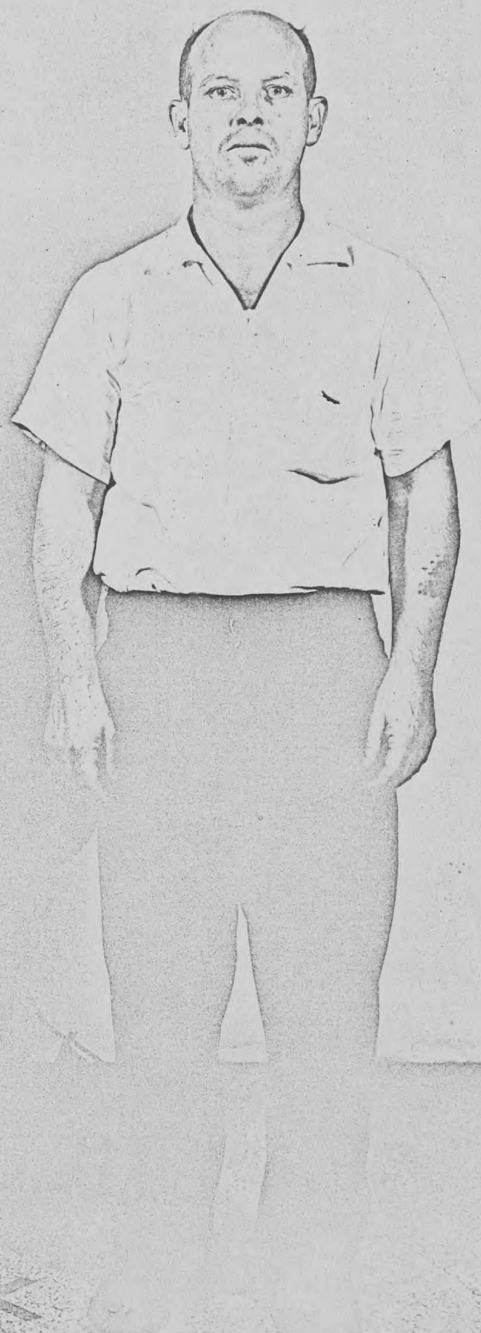
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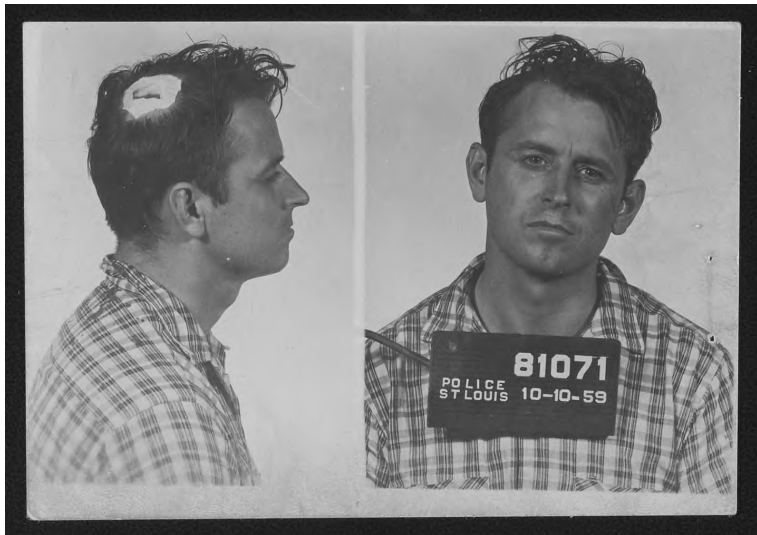
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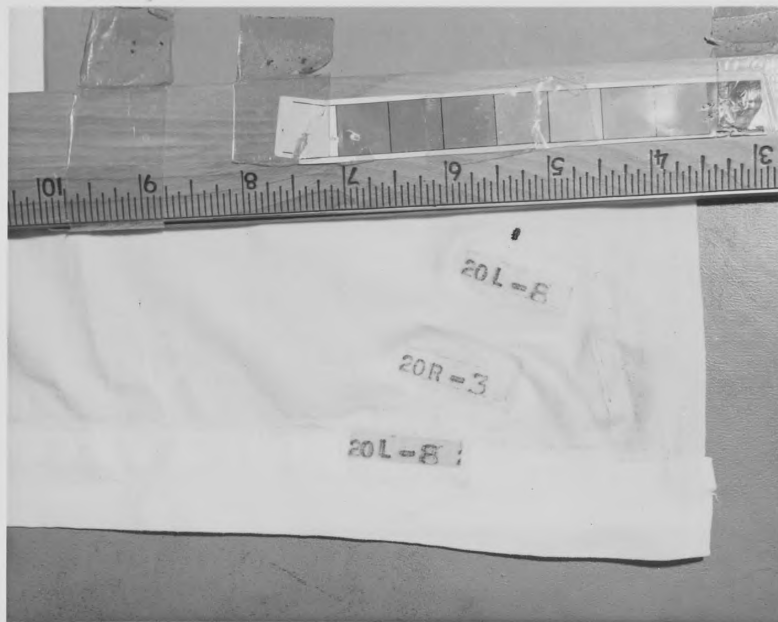
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of bed linen



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