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Apparently not.

I'd like to caution you not to discuss or impart at any time, outside of this jury room, the questions that were asked of you in regard to this matter, or your answers, until authorized by this Grand Jury or the Court to discuss or impart such matters.

You will understand that a violation of these instructions on your part may be the basis for a charge against you of contempt of court.

Do you understand that?

THE WITNESS: I do.

(Thereupon, the witness, Robert E. Sours, was then escorted from the Grand Jury Hearing Room by the Sergeant At Arms.)

MR. HECHT: Kenneth Buckley.

(Thereupon, the witness, Kenneth A. Buckley, was then escorted into the Grand Jury Hearing Room by the Sergeant At Arms.)

KENNETH A. BUCKLEY,

called as a witness before the Grand Jury, was duly sworn as follows:

THE FOREMAN: You do solemnly swear that the evidence you shall give in this matter now pending before the Grand Jury of the County of Los Angeles shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, so help you God?

THE WITNESS: I do.

1	EXAMINATION
2	BY MR. HECHT:
3	Ω Mr. Buckley, what is your job title, please?
4	A I'm acting supervisor of the criminal exhibit
5	section.
6	Q How long have you had that job?
7	A Since April of last year.
8	Q What did you do before that?
9	A Well, I worked on the mail desk in the criminal
10	division and then in the filing section in the criminal
11	division.
12	Q Are you immediately responsible to Mr. Sours?
13	A Yes.
14	Q That is the witness who just went out of here?
15	A That's right.
16	Q Generally speaking, what are your duties?
17	A Well, I supervise all of the activity of the
18	exhibit section, since I have assumed that position.
19	Q When you assumed that position, was Mr. Sours in
20	his present position?
21	A Yes, sir, he was.
22	Q Now, referring to the Sirhan case, when did it
23	come to your attention, if it ever did, that there was a cour
24	order in existence with respect to the exhibits?
25	A I knew immediately because I looked at it when it
26	came into the exhibit section.
27	Q Why did you do this?
28	A Well, it's what you would call an above-average

1	case, so I decided to familiarize myself with it.
2	Q Did you make Mr. Sours aware of the fact that
8	you had familiarized yourself with the court order?
. 4	A Yes, I believe he know.
5	Q Do you recall having a conversation with him?
6	A I asked him about it.
7	Q What did you ask him?
8	A If there were any special restrictions on it and
9	I believe he instructed me about the court order then.
10	Q Would it surprise you to know that Mr. Sours
11	testified he wasn't aware of the contents of that court order
12	until June of this year?
13	A Yes, it does.
14	Q Who held your job before you took over that
15	particular position?
16	A Gary Hairston.
17	Q Did you talk to him and did you discuss with him
18	the existence of the court order as to the exhibits in the
19	Sirhan case?
20	A I think he pointed it out to me.
21	Q Where did you find the court order?
22	A The court order was attached to the wall by the
23	supervisor's deak, in the exhibit section.
24	Q What did you do after you read that court
25	order?
26	A I think I just made a mental note about it.
27	Q Are you telling us that the court order was
2,8	attached to the wall?

1	Q Would you tell me now whether you read the
2	court order that was hanging on the wall, or whether you
3	read it, as you indicated to me, in the guide envelope?
4	A In all probability I did both.
5	Q Do you know where the court order is that you
6	stated was on the wall?
7	A I believe we changed the inside of that
8	particular office and there were several documents hanging
9	on the wall and they were yellow from age, as I remember.
10	After some months we had bulletins so I don't
11	remember if we took it down or if we just left it there.
12	O The court order that you remember hanging on the
13	wall, was that Judge Alarcon's court order?
14	A It could have been.
15	Q Are you able to state specifically which one it
16	was?
17	A No. I cannot.
18.	Q Now, what action did you take, if any, in
19	connection with your reading of that court order?
20	A One of the first things I did, to safeguard
21	those particular exhibits, is, if anyone came in requesting
22	to view them, if anyone asked for them, I told the fellows
23	if anyone asked about those exhibits that they should come to
24	see me personally before anything was done.
25	Q Did you do anything else?
26	A I put some writing on the outside of the Sirhan
27	guide envelope when I changed the envelope.
28	Q What did you do on the outside of the envelope?
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death penalty case and, well -- well, I had three envelopes. One was for the actual exhibit receipts. One was for copies of the court orders and one was for the viewing slips. I marked each envelope with what were the contents and I think that was Did you later place on the outside of one of the guide envelopes in the Sirhan case the language to the When did you place that language on the guide I don't recall exactly, but I think that it was just about the time that your office started investigating. That would be about June of this year? Do you have in mind most of the exhibits in the Sirhan case had been transferred to the clerk of the Supreme Yes, I believe that was January 3rd. What would be the effect of the language "See court order" if most of the exhibits were no longer under your What would you expect your custodian exhibit clerks to do if they found the notation "See court order" A Well, the court order would tell them that was

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Let me show that to you and see if it refreshes your recollection. 2 I believe that letter was inside the quide A envelope which contained the viewing slips. When did you first see that letter? Q. 5 I think the first time I was really aware of it A б was when it was brought out in this investigation. 7 Did you see it before that? À I am sure I would have to see it. 10-I must have seen it when I changed the envelopes. 11 12 0 Did you ever review the contents with 13 Mr. Talmachoff? 14 I don't think I did. A 15 Did you review its contents with Mr. Sours? 16 I don't think I did with him, either. A 17 Can you tell me if there were any other court 18 orders you have seen or that you became acquainted with or 19 heard about that would permit anyone to have access to the 20 original exhibits in the Sirhan case? 21 No. 22 When did it first come to your attention that 23 persons other than counsel of record and perhaps Mr. William 24 Harper had been given access to either the original exhibits 25 or photocopies of the exhibits? 26 A After this investigation began. 27 Ò Did you ever speak to Mr. Talmachoff in connec-28 tion with access that certain people had been given to the

1	Mr. Talmachoff in reference to this matter that I just
2	mentioned?
3	A Yes.
4	Q Was it a fact that he stated to you, "They were
5	not supposed to see them, they should not have seen them"?
6	A I believe so.
7	Q When did that conversation with Mr. Talmachoff
8.	take place?
9	A I think it was around the time I was changing
10	all the envelopes.
11	Q Could that conversation have taken place in Marc
12	or April of 1970?
13	A It could have, yes.
14	Q On page 13 of the same transcript my question to
15	you on that day when I interviewed you,
16	"When did that conversation with
17	Mr. Talmachoff take place?
18	"ANSWER: I believe that, again, would
19	be in March or April of 1970."
20	"QUESTION: Have you had the conversation
21	with Mr. Talmachoff, did you take any steps
22	that no one could have access to the exhibits
23	without a court order?
24	"ANSWER: Yes; I instructed the people under
25	me there must be an order with a request to
26	view."
27	Were those my questions to you and your
28	answers to me?



Q Can you explain to me why on April 7, 1970,

Mr. Harper was given access to the original exhibits in the

case without producing a court order?

A The only answer I can give to that is that I went a step above myself and got authorization for him to see them.

- Q When did you do that?
- A The very first time he went to the section.
- Q Tell me about that particular event.

A He came in and he asked to see the exhibits; the bullets and the weapon.

If I recall Ricky came to me and told me he wanted to see them.

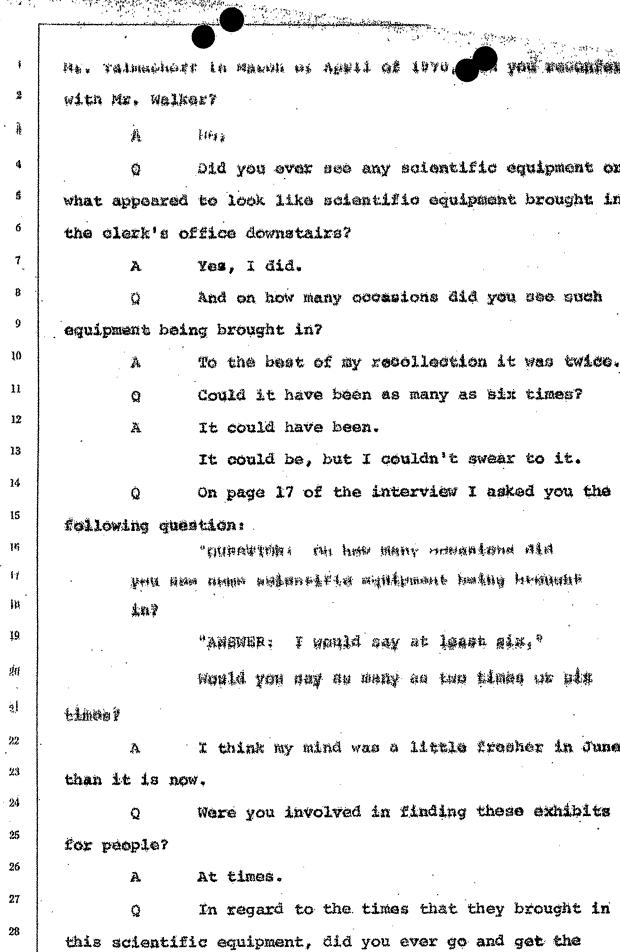
I went there from my desk and I told him that he could not see them, that he had to see them by a court order.

He told me that he was associated with Mr. McKissack and he pulled out a card, as I recall, and he gave it to me.

Q His own card?

A I believe it was a calling card but it had something on it by Mr. McKissack and so I called Mr. McKissack's office and they verified the fact that he was associated with them and I went from there to Mr. Walker and told Mr. Walker what I had done and Mr. Walker okayed his seeing the exhibits.

Q After you had the conversation with



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1 exhibits yourself? 2 I may have on one or two occasions. 3 Did you make a point to be there when the Q exhibits were being examined? Š Á Yes. Why? Q A Number one, I didn't trust Mr. Harper. 0 Why not? À He was too nice. 10 In what way? Q 11 A He seemed to be too friendly and he was too 12 eager to keep us happy. 13 What do you mean by that? 14 Well, he used to -- he always would come in 15 around sometime around between 11:30 and 12:30 and I 16 remember on the one occasion I was a little short-tempered and 17 I asked him rather nicely if he would come in at a later 18 hour because too many people were out to lunch at that time 19 and boom, right away, he changed and started coming in at a 20 later time. 21 Now, when Mr. Harper came in on those occasions, 22 and when you were made aware of his presence, did you 23 personally make an effort to see what he was doing? 24 Yes. 25 Did you personally stay at the scene the entire 26 length of time? 27 Not during the entire length of time. 28 He was on occasion there for several hours?

1	A Yes, he was.
2	Q And you did not remain that entire length of
3	time?
4	A No; I could not remain for the entire length
5	of time.
6	Q You have noted that sometimes the exhibit
7	reviewing forms appeared to be incompletely filled out?
8	A Yes.
9	Q You and I have discussed that in previous
10	conversations?
11	A Yes.
12	Q Can you tell us why there appeared to be a
13	lack of completeness in the filling out of the review
14	forms so that one cannot go back and reconstruct the
15	event?
16	A The only thing I can say is that there was
17	sloppiness on the part of the person who was allowing the
18	exhibits to be viewed.
19	Q Did you ever discuss with Mr. Talmachoff or
20	anyone in your office to get some kind of opinion whether
21	Mr. Harper fit under the "counsel of record" that appears
22	in the court order?
23	A I don't believe so.
24	Q When Mr. Harper came to examine the exhibits,
25	did someone with him identify himself as an attorney?
26	A Not while I was there.
27	Q Do you recall when Mr. Harper came in on
28	acception whether there would be other manne in his nartwo

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. 1	A	Yes.
2	Q	Do you remember on such occasions how many
3	people were th	iere?
4	A	I think that the greatest number was three.
5	Q	Were any of these persons with Mr. Harper
6	personally kno	own to you?
7	A	No.
8	Q	Did you ask any of them for identification?
9	A	No, I did not.
10	Q	Did you see them handle the actual exhibits
11	at all?	
12	A	Yes, I may have.
-13	Q	What kind of exhibits did you see them
14	handle?	
15	A	As far as I could determine, the actual bullets
16	Q	Your department issued a questionnaire to you
17	and certain of	her employees in connection with the
18	investigation	going on; do you recall that?
19	A	Yes, sir.
20	Q .	And you filled out a questionnaire, too?
21	· A	Yes, I did.
22	Q	Now, Question Number Seven
23		I don't have the questions here, but this
24	appears to be	the answer:
25		"One man, Mr. Harper in particular, an
26	authori	zed representative of the lawyers partici-
27	pating	in the case, had picked up an expended

cartridge on numerous visits and he always requested

1	that exhibit."
2	Was that your statement?
3	A Yes, it is.
4	Q And next question,
5	"I saw Mr. Harper use a jewelor's
б.	eyepiece and scrutinize the cartridge on the
7 ·	chair and he had a light and other scientific
.8	equipment."
9	You say that Mr. Harper looked at this cartridg
10	through strong magnification?
11	A Ves.
12	Q Did you inform the other custodians about
18	Mr. Harper?
14	A Yes.
. 15	Q Who were the other custodians?
16	A I believe Jack Hall, Ken Douglas and Loyloss
17	Williams.
. 18	Q One of the Grand Jurors wishes to ask what was
19.	the specific date you became a supervisor in the criminal
20	exhibits?
21	A I believe it was April 3rd of 1970.
22	Q Mr. Buckley, you were kind enough to come to
23	our office and take a polygraph test on July 8, 1971; do you
24 .	recall that?
25	A Yes, I do.
26	Q You were aware, were you not, that the poly-
27	graph examination was tape-recorded?
28`	A Yes.

1	Q You were aware that we took polygraph
2	examinations of some other individuals in your depart-
·.3	ment?
4	A Wes.
5	Q Since the polygraph examinations, have you
6	received any information on methods that allegedly could
7	be used in beating polygraph tests?
8	A Yes, I've heard of one.
9 ,	Q That was discussed by persons in your group
10	prior to the time you took the test?
11	A No.
12	Q In your examination with Mr. Carsee, the
13	polygraph examiner, the following question was asked:
14	"Since the polygraphs have started,
15	have you ever received information on methods
16	that are alleged to beat the polygraph test?"
17	Then your answer was "Yes".
18	Now, my question is: Under what circumstances
19	do such conversations arise?
20	A I think I recall it was some friends and we
21	were talking about polygraph and someone mentioned if you
22	consistently lied you could beat it.
23	Q Can you assure the Grand Jury that the original
24	exhibits, particularly the ballistics evidence in the Sirhan
25	case, had not in any way been altered during the time they
26	were in your custody or control?
27	A To the best of my knowledge, yes.
28,	or . Can sou active the members of the Grand Jury

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they have not been substituted?

- A Again, to the best of my knowledge, yes.
- Q Can you assure us that they have not been tampered with in any way?

A As I said, on that deal, when they were taking the pictures, or whatever they were doing, that I was personally watching it very carefully because these men were so close to that evidence that I could not swear to the fact it could not have been tampered with but I don't think it was.

As you recall your activity in connection with the Sirhan case, did you ever make out any of these exhibit review forms or participate in any of the transactions that are reflected on the exhibit review forms?

A I don't remember making out any of the forms myself, but always, whenever anyone was there to look at them at some time or other I was there, also.

- O Do I take that to mean that people would come into your office and if they wanted to look at any exhibits in the Sirhan case, you would watch them looking at the exhibits?
 - A Well, at some time or other I think I did.
- Q Had you left instructions that you were to be specifically alerted when anyone came in for exhibits on the Sirhan case?
 - 'A Yes, I did.
 - g To whom did you leave these instructions?
 - A To all members of the exhibit staff.

ì	Q When did you give them those instructions?
2	A Shortly after I took over as supervisor.
3	Q What date was that again?
4	A I believe March 3, 1970.
5	Q Do we understand from what you have just
6	testified that whenever a viewing slip appears as a matter
. 7	of record after that date, that you were called and had some
8	contacts with that particular transaction?
9	A Yes; on any day I was there.
10	Q I see. There may have been days when you were
11	not there?
12	A Right.
13	Q Are we talking about many days?
14	A Now I can't remember.
15	Q Is it remotely possible you might have been
16	taken up with other matters on a particular instance and you
17	did not have any contact with the persons who desired to
18	view the Sirhan exhibits?
19	A It could have happened.
20	MR. HECHT: I believe that is all.
21 `	THE COURT: Any further questions?
22	Apparently not.
2,3	I'd like to caution you not to discuss or impart
24	at any time, outside of this jury room, the questions that
- 25	were asked of you in regard to this matter, or your answers,
26	until authorized by this Grand Jury or the Court to discuss
27	or impart such matters.
28	You will understand that a violation of these

instruction on your part may be the basis for a charge against you of contempt of court.

Do you understand that?

THE WITHERS: I do.

(Thereupon, the witness, Kenneth A. Buckley, was then escorted from the Grand Jury Hearing Room by the Sergeant At Arms.)

THE FOREMAN: We'll take a short recess.

(Mid-afternoon recess.)

THE FOREMAN: Let the record show the Grand Jury has reassembled and the court reporter is present.

You may proceed, Mr. Nacht.

MR. HECKY: Mr. Douglas.

(Thereupon, the witness, Kenneth W. Douglas, was then escorted into the Grand Jury Hearing Room by the Sergeant At Arms.)

KENNETH W. DOWNLAS,

called as a witness before the Grand Jury, was duly sworn as follows:

THE FOREMAN: You do solomnly swear that the evidence you shall give in this matter now pending before the Grand Juzy of the County of Los Angeles shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, so help you God?

THE WITNESS: I do.

	EXAMINATION	
1	BY MR. HECHT:	
. 2	Q Mr. Douglas, what is your business or occupation	
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4	A Criminal Exhibit Custodian.	
5	Q When did you first become a Criminal Exhibit	
6	Custodian?	
7	A September 1970.	
8	Q Would I be far from wrong in my thought that	
9	you were the eldest employee in terms of service?	
10	A That is true in the exhibit section.	
11	Q Do you recall during the course of this	
12	investigation your department gave you, I believe, ten	
13	questions and you were asked to fill out the answers to	
14	those questions?	
15	À Yes, I did.	
16	Q Your department was kind enough to supply me	
17	with a copy of the questions and answers and Question Number	
18	One states your position and name and so forth and Question	
19	Number Three is:	
20	"What instructions were given you	
21	in regard to interested or concerned parties	
22	viewing exhibits, excluding the Sirhan case?"	
23	Then the next question, and this is of interest	
24	to me;	
25	"What specific instructions were	
26	given to you in regard to persons viewing the	
27	Sirhan case exhibits?"	

Your answer is:

"None that I can remember." 1 Was that an accurate enswer? 2 A Yes, sir. 3 Is it the fact, sir, you were never given any 0 . 5 special instructions in regard to viewing the Sirhan case exhibits? 6 7 That's true. A 8 And your answer; "None that I can remember", that Q 9. is true? 10 A Yos. 11 What are your main duties in the clerk's Q 12 office? 13 I have just switched jobs, actually; I switched 14 over to the Destruction of Exhibit Section. Before you went into the Destruction position, 15 16 what was your previous position? 17 My main duty was checking in exhibits from 18 Superior Court, signing for exhibits and filing guide 19 envelopes and taking care of exhibits that came in from the 20 branches, and to sign in for and inspect the exhibits that 21 came in from the Municipal Court. 22 Were you ever concerned with displaying or 23 bringing out exhibits for people who wanted to see exhibits? 24 A Yes. 25 And did you ever display or bring out exhibits 26 for people who came into your clerk's office and wanted to

see the original exhibits in certain cases?

Yes, occasionally,

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1	time?	
2	A	Ones that I located at the time I marked on th
3	receipt slip	with a little "X".
4	Q	I sense from your answer that there were some
5	you were not	able to locate?
.6	A	That I didn't necessarily look for it at the
7	time.	
8		I didn't look for the clothing and some of the
9	large charts	because the Supreme Court didn't want them.
10	Q	Did you want all the exhibits you found to be
11	shipped to th	e Supreme Court during the month of January?
12	A	Yes.
- 13	Q	Have you ever read the court order issued by
14	Judge Walker	in this case?
15	A	Yes, I have.
16	Q	When did you read it?
17	A	The other day.
18	Q	Was that the first time you read it?
19	. A	The first time I remember for sure reading
20	it.	
21		I may have read it in the past but I don't
22	remember for	sure.
23	Ω	Do you remember my showing it to you at the
24	time of our c	onversation?
25 ·	A	Yes.
26	g	That was on Wednesday, June 9, 1971?
27	A	I'm not sure of the day.
28		Wall, went recall during our conversation there

1	was a reporter there that took down the questions and
2	answers?
3	A Yes.
4	I have a transcription of that conversation.
5 .	On Page 11 I asked the question:
6	"Have you ever seen that court
7	order prior to my showing it to you today
8	right here?"
9	And your answer:
10	"I think I have run across it,"
11	Xea -
12	"QUESTION: Have you ever read it?
13	"ANSWER: Not that I can remember."
14	Were those the questions asked by me and the
15	answers given by you?
16	A I would assume so.
17	I don't remember for sure.
18 ·	Q As I read to you the answers, are those answers
19	accurate answers, as you sit here today?
20	A Would you repeat the question.
21	Q Have you ever seen that order, meaning
22	Judge Walker's court order, prior to my showing it to you
23	today meaning the day we interviewed you on June 9,
24	1971?
25	"ANSWER: I think I've come across it,
·26·	yes."
27	Q Are you confusing the publicity order with
28	Judge Walker's later order?

1	A I was aware of a court order. I wasn't sure
2	what it was.
3	Q Has anyone asked you to ever see any of the
4	exhibits to the Sirhan case?
. 5	A Yes.
6	O Did you ever act on a request from a person
7	to see a particular exhibit in the Sirhan case?
8	A A direct request?
9	Q Yes.
10	A I took a request from Mr. Christian but I was
11	not the first one to deal with him when I did deal with him.
12	He came to the window requesting exhibits and
13	then when I took a long period of time to look at various
14	files involved and maybe had held him up, maybe Ron or
15	Ricky took over and filled in after that.
16 ·	g Do you remember what Mr. Christian was looking
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	at?
18	A Well, there were files of statements of the
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,	A Well, there were files of statements of the
19	A Well, there were files of statements of the people at the Ambassador Hotel that lived there.
19 20	A Well, there were files of statements of the people at the Ambassador Hotel that lived there. Q I show you the exhibit viewing slips that
19 20 21 22 23	A Well, there were files of statements of the people at the Ambassador Hotel that lived there. Q I show you the exhibit viewing slips that have been brought to us by the supervisors of your office.
19 20 21 22 23 24	A Well, there were files of statements of the people at the Ambassador Hotel that lived there. O I show you the exhibit viewing slips that have been brought to us by the supervisors of your office. Could you identify those that you participated
19 20 21 22 23 24 25	A Well, there were files of statements of the people at the Ambassador Hotel that lived there. Q I show you the exhibit viewing slips that have been brought to us by the supervisors of your office. Could you identify those that you participated in?
19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26	A Well, there were files of statements of the people at the Ambassador Hotel that lived there. O I show you the exhibit viewing slips that have been brought to us by the supervisors of your office. Could you identify those that you participated in? A Yes,
19 20 21 22 23 24 25	A Well, there were files of statements of the people at the Ambassador Hotel that lived there. O I show you the exhibit viewing slips that have been brought to us by the supervisors of your office. Could you identify those that you participated in? A Yes. (The witness examines the witness reviewing

1	A This one.
2	Q You're referring to Grand Jury Exhibit Number
3.	4, involving a Mr. Floyd Parrish and there is the date of
4	November 19th in the upper left-hand corner.
٠ 5 .	Is that your handwriting?
6	A Yes.
7	Q How come the year doesn't appear on that
8	slip, sir?
9	A I don't know. It wasn't put on there at the
10	time.
11	Q I notice on the upper left it says "Exhibit
12	71 and 73."
13	A That is my handwriting.
14	Q What significance do those notations have to
15	you?
16	A I assume that those exhibits were looked
16 17	A I assume that those exhibits were looked at.
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17 18	at. Q From your reading of that review form, can
17 18 19	at. Q From your reading of that review form, can you tell us what was looked at as distinguished from what
17 18 19 20	at. Q From your reading of that review form, can you tell us what was looked at as distinguished from what was simply asked for and not looked at?
17 18 19 20 21	at. Q From your reading of that review form, can you tell us what was looked at as distinguished from what was simply asked for and not looked at? A No.
17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24	Q From your reading of that review form, can you tell us what was looked at as distinguished from what was simply asked for and not looked at? A No. Q Were the original exhibits looked at or were
17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25	Q From your reading of that review form, can you tell us what was looked at as distinguished from what was simply asked for and not looked at? A No. Q Were the original exhibits looked at or were they copies of exhibits?
17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26	Q From your reading of that review form, can you tell us what was looked at as distinguished from what was simply asked for and not looked at? A No. Q Were the original exhibits looked at or were they copies of exhibits? A I don't know. I don't remember showing the
17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27	Q From your reading of that review form, can you tell us what was looked at as distinguished from what was simply asked for and not looked at? A No. Q Were the original exhibits looked at or were they copies of exhibits? A I don't know. I don't remember showing the exhibits.
17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26	Q From your reading of that review form, can you tell us what was looked at as distinguished from what was simply asked for and not looked at? A No. Q Were the original exhibits looked at or were they copies of exhibits? A I don't know. I don't remember showing the exhibits. Q Your recollection is then based on your hand-

1	Q Has Mr. Talmachoff ever discussed the Sirhan
2	exhibits with you at any time?
3	A I guess so.
4	Q Well, you say, "I guess so".
5	I'm trying to find if you have any specific
6	recollection or any independent recollection right now.
7	Perhaps you could tell us that?
8	A I'm not sure of it.
9	Q I ask you that because in the same conversa-
10	tion on the day that you and I had an interview on June
11	9, 1971, Page 7:
12	"QUESTION: Did Mr. Talmachoff ever
13	discuss the subject with you at any time?"
14.	Your answer was:
15	"Not that I can remember."
16	Is that your answer today?
17.	A Yes.
18	Q That's the way you remember it right now?
19	A Yes.
20.	Q Do you remember a man who came into the
21	clerk's office on occasion and viewed the exhibits perhaps
22	with an eyepiece or some kind of scientific equipment?
23	A Yes, Mr. Harper.
24	Q Is it your impression or what was your
25	impression as to the case he was interested in?
26	A Sirhan case.
.27	Q Were you involved in handling any of his
28	requests?

1	A Not myself.
2	I helped look for some of the exhibits for
3	Fayek Abdelmalak once.
4	Q Do you remember him being outside in the publi
5	area, or was this under the new system inside?
6	A I think in both places.
7	Q At one time was there a missing exhibit that
8	you were wondering about and he may have talked to you
9	about?
10	A A missing exhibit?
11	Q Yes.
12	A I think that I did; I think I helped Fayek
13	look for an exhibit which he couldn't find.
14	Q Well, was it found while he was there?
15	A No.
16	Q Was it ever found?
17	A No; not that I know of.
18	It turned out it wasn't an exhibit.
19	Q You say it wasn't an exhibit?
20	A I'm not sure. I think he told me about 51-A
21	and 51-B; two different numbers and I hadn't remembered
22	that.
23	Q In any event, you recall he was on some
24	occasions looking at certain exhibits out there on the
25	Sirhan case?
26	A Harper?
27	Q Yes.
28	A Yes.

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1	Q While he was there under the old procedure of
2	viewing exhibits outside, was anybody in your office with
3	him at the time?
4	A I couldn't say for sure.
5	Q You never were with him?
6	A I never was with him.
7	Q Are you telling us you can't recall that someone
8	was with him or not?
9	A That's right.
10	Q Does it ever get very crowded in there,
11	Mr. Douglas, with customers?
12	A Yes, it gots hectic sometimes.
13	Q Would it be true or probable that someone who
14	had been in this area, under the old procedure viewing
15	exhibits, would it be likely or possible that some member of
16	your office who had been in the area where people were viewing
17	exhibits may have to leave to take care of other activities
18	or other customers that might come up?
Į9	A It's possible that could happen.
20	Q It happens quite often, doesn't it?
21,	A Yes, sir.
22	Q Did it happen in the Sirhan case?
.23	A I don't know for sure.
24	Q Did you wait on someone by the name of
25	Mr. Parrish?
26	A According to the slip I did, but I don't
27	remember doing it.
28	O That slip that you pulled out?

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the conversation was, please?

A I don't think it was the Xerox man, it was a county employee who fixed machines.

I don't remember the exact conversation, but it was very vague in my wind and I told the polygraph operator that this man asked me about getting copies of something in the Sirhan case.

I don't remember what it was.

It was some papers, he wanted some papers for either friends or relatives of his to write a thesis about it.

I think a friend of his was going to college back in Massachusetts, I believe, and I don't know if he requested it as such but he asked me if I had access and that kind of thing.

It was very vague in my mind and it was a couple of years ago.

- Q Did you report that event to your supervisors?
- A No.
- Q What was your response to this request?
- A At that time -- I'm not sure, but I said that I didn't know anything about it.

I don't know exactly what I said but I imagine it was along those lines and I didn't know anything about it.

Q Did you participate in engaging in some kind of surveillance or observation of Mr. Harper on any of the occasions he went there to see the exhibits?

1	A Did I?
2	Q Yes.
· g	A No.
4	Q Would it be true to say that you sort of went
5	your own way in connection with that matter?
-6	A I wasn't involved, really, because I was working
7	in the back, mostly.
8.	Q Did you follow fairly closely the policy of the
9	county clerk's office in showing criminal exhibits?
10	A Yes.
11	Q Has the policy been changed somewhat from
12	time to time?
13	A Yes, somewhat.
14	Q In what respect?
15′	A With respect to the viewing when I first came
16	into the section there was an old viewing form and there was
17	no place to check his identification or anything.
18	The person just sent the form and then later
19	on they signed the form and we checked it.
20	Then we used to look out in front at the front
. 21	table in front of the exhibit section.
22	Later on they moved it to the back behind closed
23	doors and there was a table set up in the back.
24 .	Q Where were the exhibits in the Sirhan case
25	stored?
26	A Some of them were stored in the death penalty
27	locker room, 102, which is in the next building, next door,
28	in the annex, and others were stored in Room 444.

1	Q What was the difference with respect to the
2	location, do you know?
3	A In my mind the exhibits that were in 444 were
4	available to the public, and those next door were not.
5	Q Have you ever made the statement that it has
6	been not exactly clear-cut in your mind what the specific
7	policy of the county clerk's office is in respect to showing
8	criminal exhibits?
9	A Yes.
10	Q Did you make that statement to the polygraph
11	operator?
12	A Yes.
13	Q Do you recall the context of the discussion at
14	this time?
15	A No, not offhand.
16	Q May I refresh your recollection?
17	A Yes.
18 ·	Q There was a statement by you:
19	"It's not exactly clear-out in my
20	mind what the specific policy is, you know
21	you know for instance, whether somebody views
22	exhibits, we're supposed to stand eyeball to eyeball
23	with them or whether it's okay for you to let him
24	see it, you know.
25	"There is five paper exhibits and somebody
26	looks at them and then you count them back in after-
27	wards, or you know.
28	"It's not clear-cut in my mind about the
29	policy."

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A Yes.

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Q What is his last name?

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1	always available and the originals were not in 444.
2	Q When did you receive that instruction and that
3	information?
4	A I don't remember specifically.
5	I know it was written on the box, for one
6	thing, that it was stored in, "Those are for public
7	viewing."
8	That's about all I can remember was on it.
9	O Do you recall if you remember if Mr. Harper
10	came in with more people than just himself?
11	A I don't remember it. It's been mentioned that
12	he has been, but I don't remember that.
13	Q Let's talk in the abstract about occasions when
14	more than one person came to see exhibits in the same case
15	and they are together,
16	A All right.
17	Q Say five people all came up in one group, I
18	take it they all do not have to place their names on the
19	exhibit viewing slip?
20	A They do now, that's required by the new
21	policy instituted within the past two weeks.
22	Q I take it previously only one person had to
23	identify himself; is that right?
24	A That's right.
25	Ω And you have no way of knowing who the other
26	persons are, do you?
27	A No.
28	Q You don't know if any of these other unidentifie
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1	people could be police officers?
2	À Nó.
3	Q It could be a defendant who is on bail?
4	A Yes.
5	Q It could be anybody, a policeman, a defendant,
б	a prosecutor?
7	A It could be.
'8 '	Q It could be someone who was emotionally dis-
9.	turbed who might take things?
10	A That is a possibility, of course.
11	Q Is it possible that an exhibit clerk who obtain
12	exhibits for a person who has asked to look at them, could be
13	called away, or would be called away to answer the telephone
14	or help somebody else out, leaving no one from the Clerk's
15	Office with the person actually viewing the exhibit?
16	A That's possible.
17	Q Does that situation occur quite often?
18	A It occurs, yes.
19	Q One of the Grand Jurors would like you to
20	clarify your testimony concerning the missing exhibit that
21	you referred to, the one that turned out not to be an
22	exhibit.
23	Do you recall your testimony in that regard?
24	A Yes.
25	Q Could you clarify that?
26	A Evidently Mr. Harper was looking for Exhibit
27	51-A and 51-B and Fayek Abdelmalak was looking for them, and
28	he couldn't find them, and he asked me if I could help him

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there was room for improvement before.

O In your opinion, weuld it be possible for a person who had requested to view exhibits in any criminal case, to walk off with such an exhibit unnoticed by an employee?

- A Possibly so, and I think it happened once.
- Q Do you recall when?
- A No. I don't know offhand.

MR. HECHT: I have nothing further.

THE FOREMAN: Any further questions from any member of the Grand Jury. If so, please write them out and they will be directed to the witness through the Deputy District Attorney.

Apparently there are none.

I'd like to caution you not to discuss or impart at any time, outside of this jury room, the questions that were asked of you in regard to this matter, or your answers, until authorized by this Grand Jury or the Court to discuss or impart such matters.

You will understand that a violation of these instructions on your part may be the basis for a charge against you of contempt of court.

Do you understand that?

THE WITNESS: I do.

THE FOREMAN: Thank you for coming in.

(Thereupon, the witness, Kenneth W. Douglas, was then escorted from the Grand Jury Hearing Room by the Sergeant At Arms.)

THE FOREMAN: We will recess now until 10:00 o'clock

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tomorrow morning.

(Whereupon, an adjournment was taken until Wednesday, August 18, 1971, 10:00 o'clock A. M.)

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LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 18, 1971
10:00 A. M.

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THE FOREMAN: The record will show the court reporter is present and the Grand Jury has reassembled.

The Secretary may call the roll.

(Thereupon, the Secretary complies with the Foreman's request.)

THE SECRETARY: There are twenty-one Grand Jurors present.

THE FOREMAN: Let the record show the same twenty-one Grand Jurous are present, having been present since the inception of this matter.

You may proceed, Mr. Hecht.

MR. HECHT: May we have Joyce Shannon, please.

(Thereupon, the witness, Joyce M. Shannon, was then escorted into the Grand Jury Hearing Room by the Sergeant At Arms.)

JOYCE M. SHANNON.

called as a witness before the Grand Jury, having been previously duly sworn, was recalled, examined and testified further as follows:

EXAMINATION (CONTINUED)

BY MR. HECHT:

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Q Please state your name again.

A Joyce M. Shannon.

Q Did you receive a telephone call this morning?

A Yes, I did.

Q And was it from someone who presented himself as a Mr. Floyd Nelson?

A Yes:

Q Would you tell the members of the Grand Jury the contents of that conversation?

A Ar. Welson said that a Mrs. Lillian Castellano had a heart attack in front of her home when he stopped to pick her up and he had taken her to the Hollywood Receiving Hospital and that's where he was calling from.

MR. MECHT: I offer this in explanation for the failure of Mrs. Castellano to appear at this time. I'm not sure when she will be able to appear but I would like the record to reflect Mrs. Shannon's testimony in that regard.

THE FOREMAN: She has testified and it will be in the record.

Thank you, Mrs. Shannon; you need not wait any further and I'm sure I don't have to inform you about the necessity of secrecy of your testimony before this Grand Jury.

(Thereupon, the witness, Mrs. Joyce Shannon, was then escorted from the Grand Jury Hearing Room by the Sergeant At Arms.)

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MR. HECHT: At this time I will read into the record Grand Jury Exhibit 40, the Court Order of Judge Walker.

(Reading:)

"SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

"FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

"THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA,

"Plaintiff.

"Versus

"SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN,

"Defendant.

"Number A-233,421

"ORDER GOVERNING THE INSPECTION AND REPRODUCTION OF EXHIBITS.

"To insure the preservation of the exhibits introduced into evidence in the above-entitled case, pending final determination by the appellate courts, the exhibits are not to be made available for inspection by interested members of the public save upon Order issued by the Superior Court for good cause shown. Counsel of record are permitted access to the exhibits without the necessity of obtaining a court order.

"The Office of the County Clerk is ordered to prepare copies of all documentary evidence and to prepare photographic representations of other real evidence which are to be available for inspection by interested members of the public at the Office of the County Clerk, Criminal Division, located on the Fourth

Floor of the Los Angeles County Hall of Justice.

The County Clerk is authorized to make reproductions of documentary evidence and reproductions of photographs of other real evidence which may be obtained by members of the public upon application to the County Clerk and payment of the statutory fees, with the following exceptions:

- "1. Feople's Exhibits 81, consisting of 166
 photographs, and People's Exhibit 82, consisting of
 123 photographs, were marked for identification only
 and were not received or considered as evidence at the
 trial. Therefore, it is ordered that these exhibits
 are not to be reproduced in any fashion.
- "2. Defendant's Exhibit H (a handbook entitled Cyclomancy); defendant's Exhibit I 1-14 (14 books); defendant's Exhibit J (Rosicrucian Digest); defendant's Exhibit K (Neophyte Monograph); defendant's Exhibit L (Neophyte Monograph) and defendant's Exhibit M (Neophyte Monograph) will not be duplicated by the County Clerk for public inspection. However, the exhibits may be reviewed upon court order as above provided. The exhibits enumerated in this paragraph are protected by the copyright laws of the United States, and for that reason the County Clerk is ordered not to reproduce them in whole or in part.
- "3. People's Exhibit 101 (a book entitled Casebook of a Crime Psychiatrist) may be inspected upon court order for good cause shown. This exhibit

is also protected by the copyright laws of the United States and the County Clerk is ordered not to reproduce the same in whole or in part.

"4. Copies of People's Exhibits 93, 95, 96 and 97 (tape recordings of custodial interviews with the defendant), and People's Exhibit 114 (tape recordings of psychiatric interviews with the defendant), are not to be reproduced except upon order of the court for good cause shown and at the expense of the petitioner.

"The reproduction of any exhibits under the conditions heretofore provided in this Order is to be made exclusively by the Office of the County Clerk, subject to such security precautions as he may deem necessary and as may be profided by further order of this Court.

"DATED this 20th day of May, 1969.

"HERBERT V. WALKER

"Judge of the Superior Court

"County of Los Angeles."

MR. HECHT: I'll call Alice Nishikawa.

(Thereupon, the witness, Alice Nishikawa, was then escorted into the Grand Jury Hearing Room by the Sergeant At Arms.)

ALICE NISHIKAWA,

called as a witness before the Grand Jury, was duly sworn, as follows: