



Washington, D.C. 20535

Subject of Request: Thurgood Marshall

FOIPA No. \_\_\_\_\_/190-\_\_\_\_\_

Dear Requester:

Enclosed are copies of documents from FBI records. Excisions have been made to protect information exempt from disclosure pursuant to Title 5, United States Code, Section 552 and/or Section 552a. In addition, where excisions were made, the appropriate exempting subsections have been cited opposite the deletions. Where pages have been withheld in their entirety, a deleted page information sheet has been substituted showing the reasons or basis for the deletion. The subsections cited for withholding information from the enclosed documents are marked below:

Section 552

Section 552a

- (b)(1)
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- (b)(3) Title 26, U.S. Code,  
Section 6103
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(See Form 4-694a, enclosed for an explanation of these exemptions.)

Pursuant to your request, 1522 page(s) were reviewed and 1394 page(s) are being released.

During the review of material pertinent to the subject of your request, documents were located which

- originated with another Government agency(ies).  
These documents were referred to that agency(ies) for review and direct response to you.
- contain information furnished by another Government agency(ies). You will be advised by the FBI as to the releasability of this information following our consultation with the other agency(ies).

If you desire, you may appeal any denials contained herein. Appeals should be directed in writing to the Co-Director, Office of Information and Privacy, Room 7238 MAIN, United States Department of Justice, Washington, D.C. 20530, within thirty days from receipt of this letter. The envelope and the letter should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Appeal" or "Information Appeal." Please cite the FOIPA number assigned to your request so that it may be easily identified.

See additional information which follows.

Sincerely yours,

J. Kevin O'Brien, Chief  
Freedom of Information-  
Privacy Acts Section  
Office of Public and Congressional Affairs

Enclosures (21)

The enclosed material is from the main investigative file(s) in which the subject of your request is indexed. The subject of your request may also be indexed in files relating to other individuals, organizations, activities, or general topics. These additional mentions or references have not been reviewed to determine if, in fact, they are identifiable with the subject of your request. Our experience has shown that such references are frequently similar to information contained in the processed main file(s). We will process these references if you now make a specific request for them. However, because of a significant increase in FOIPA requests and an expanding backlog, we have given priority to the processing of main investigative files and can complete the processing of these additional references only as time and resources permit. Therefore, if you do decide to request these references, we will not be able to process them any time in the foreseeable future.

In addition to processing FBI Headquarters files, our Washington and New York Field Office files were also processed and are enclosed.

To minimize costs to both you and the FBI, extra file copies of the same document were not processed.



## ***FILE DESCRIPTION***

**SUBJECT**

Thurgood Marshall

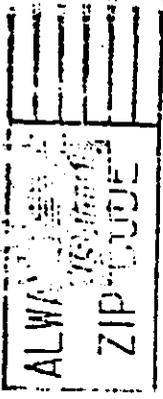
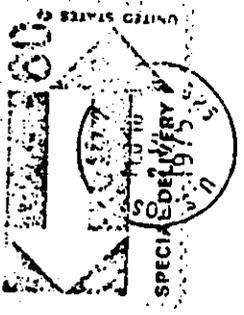
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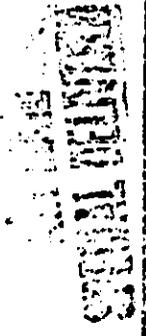
Headquarters file 9-0-23636

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[Redacted]  
Springfield, Illinois



Honorable Clarence Kelly, Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
U.S. Justice Department  
Washington, D.C. Zip Code Unknown



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Note: Please do not put forth any effort whatsoever (other than the above) to interfere with the State Courts of Illinois in this particular case. This is a sovereign State and may wish to exercise or reserve certain prerogatives (exclusive rights and privileges. This also applies to the writer, personally, as well as the Associate Justice, United States Supreme Court

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[REDACTED]

Springfield, Illinois [REDACTED]

Springfield, Illinois  
February 18, 1975  
DIRECTOR

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TOLSON

Mr. Tolson

Springfield, Ill. ✓  
Tues. February 18, 1975

Hon. Clarence Kelly,

The writer has extended a cordial invitation to Associate Justice, Thurgood Marshall, United States Supreme Court, to appear here on Sunday Afternoon, February 23, 1975 (after 1:00 P.M.).

Should the Associate Justice choose to accept the above cordial invitation, it is respectfully asked of the F. B. I. Director to appear here also on the above date accompanied by an aid (White man). Should the F. B. I. Director appear here with a Negro aid he possibly will not live long.

The writer would also like very much to be informed in writing of the specific mandatory requirements of the following:

- Article 18, Section or Chapter 44
- Federal (United States Code (Constitution))
- Federal (United States) Narcotics Act.

I have made efforts to apply for a legal and valid license (Instruction Permit) to operate a Motor Vehicle in the State of Illinois. At this writing my efforts have been unsuccessful.

See Reversed Side

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

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FD-448 (10-25-71)

FEB 25 1975

FACSIMILE  
TELETYPE

Transmit attached by Facsimile - PLAINTEXT Priority NITEL

To: SACs, Springfield and WFO

Date: 2/25/75

From: Director, FBI

Time Transmitted - 5:21 WF

Subject: THURGOOD MARSHALL, D.C.  
U. S. SUPREME COURT; DIRECTOR, FBI - VICTIMS  
EXTORTION, OO: SPRINGFIELD

Received - 5:20 ST

9-0 23636

- Fingerprint Photo
- Fingerprint Record
- Map
- Newspaper clipping
- Photograph
- Artists Conception
- (5 min)
- (10 min)

Letter and envelope addressed to the Director, FBI, signed [redacted] postmarked 2/18/75, Springfield, Illinois.

Special handling instructions: Springfield promptly present this matter for prosecutive opinion. If prosecution authorized, conduct appropriate investigation. Advise Bureau of results of investigation in form suitable for dissemination. WFO notify appropriate local authorities and U.S. Secret Service. Original letter being provided appropriate laboratory and latent fingerprint examinations. Bureau records reflect no information identifiable with subject.

57 MAR 10 1975

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

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## ***FILE DESCRIPTION***

**SUBJECT**

Thurgood Marshall

**FILE NO.**

Headquarters file 9-67085

VZCZC/WFO 936

PP HG SV

VF 8884 295 2045

ZNR UUUUU

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FM WASHINGTON FIELD (SA-NEW) (P)

TO DIRECTOR FBI PRIORITY

FBI SAVANNAH PRIORITY

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] - VICTIM; POSSIBLE EXTORTION; (OO:SV).

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ON OCTOBER 21, 1982, [REDACTED] U. S. SUPREME COURT

POLICE, TURNED OVER TO WFO, A ONE PAGE TYPEWRITTEN LETTER ADDRESSED

TO [REDACTED] FROM CAPTIONED SUBJECT. THE ENVELOPE BEARS AN

ADDRESS OF: [REDACTED] AND AN

OCTOBER 12, 1982, [REDACTED]

ABOVE IS A RAMBLING, SOMETIMES OBSCENE, SOMETIMES INCOHERENT  
LETTER COMPLAINING ABOUT INTEGRATION, SCHOOL PRAYER, THE N.A.A.C.P.,

15-2 N-9-107085

THE SUPREME COURT, THE CURRENT AND PAST PRESIDENTS.

[REDACTED] STATES HE WILL FIGHT "THEM" ANY WAY HE CAN, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND TO BE EQUAL NEEDS GUNS, KNIVES OR CLUBS.

WFO INDICES NEGATIVE REGARDING [REDACTED]

SEND 0.73 TO USSS DATED 10-25-82.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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SAVANNAH IS REQUESTED TO CONDUCT A PRELIMINARY INVESTIGATION  
TO IDENTIFY [REDACTED] INTERVIEW OF [REDACTED] IS LEFT TO THE DISCRETION  
OF SAVANNAH. b7C

WFO WILL PROVIDE BUREAU AND SAVANNAH WITH COPIES OF LETTER  
UNDER SEPARATE COVER.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
FOIPA DELETED PAGE INFORMATION SHEET

29 Page(s) withheld entirely at this location in the file. One or more of the following statements, where indicated, explain this deletion.

Deletions were made pursuant to the exemptions indicated below with no segregable material available for release to you.

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Section 552a

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Information pertained only to a third party with no reference to the subject of your request.

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Pages were not considered for release as they are duplicative of \_\_\_\_\_

For your information: \_\_\_\_\_

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X FOR THIS PAGE X  
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TRANSMIT VIA:

- Teletype
- Facsimile
- Airtel

PRECEDENCE:

- Immediate
- Priority
- Routine

CLASSIFICATION:

- TOP SECRET
- SECRET
- CONFIDENTIAL
- UNCLAS E F T O
- UNCLAS

Date 9/15/87

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TO: ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI  
(ATTN: PERSONAL CRIMES UNIT)

FROM: SAC, WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE (9A-5651)(C-4)(P)

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]  
UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT JUSTICE THURGOOD MARSHALL  
VICTIM;  
EXTORTION (A); V/O  
OO: SAVANNAH

70923016

NR Ice

Re WFO teletype to Bureau, dated 9/15/87.

Enclosed for the Bureau is an original one page typed letter from captioned subject to JUSTICE THURGOOD MARSHALL, which was received at the chambers of captioned victim, on 9/14/87.

For the information of the Bureau, [REDACTED] is a white male, DOB: [REDACTED] who has a history of violent behavior - no further biographical data is available, at this time.

REQUEST OF FBIHQ

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QUESTIONED DOCUMENT UNIT

The Questioned Document Unit is requested to compare submitted item to the Anonymous Letter File. Conduct examinations for indented writings and other physical characteristics deemed appropriate. Forward copies to [REDACTED] for the psycholinguistic profiling of author to determine the validity of the threat.

LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION

9-17085-8

Examine submitted items for latent prints suitable for comparison with record prints of captioned subject. Forward original evidence to OO.

SEP 25 1987

- 6-Bureau (Enc. 1)
- 4-Questioned Document Unit
- 2-Personal Crimes Unit
- 2-Savannah
- 2-WFO

WDG

Transmitted \_\_\_\_\_ Per \_\_\_\_\_  
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REPORT  
of the



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

1 [REDACTED]  
1 [REDACTED]

October 30, 1987

To: SAC, Washington Field Office (9A-5651) (C-4)

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FBI FILE NO.

LAB. NO.

70923016 D WH VP

Re:

[REDACTED]  
UNITED STATES SUPREME  
COURT JUSTICE  
THURGOOD MARSHALL - VICTIM;  
EXTORTION (A)

OO: Savannah

Examination requested by:

Addressee

Reference:

Communication dated September 15, 1987

Examination requested:

Document - Fingerprint

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Specimens received

September 23, 1987

Specimen:

Q1 One-page typewritten letter dated 9/9/87,  
beginning "May your soul burn..."

Result of examination:

Specimen Q1 was searched in the appropriate sections  
of the Anonymous Letter File without effecting an identification.  
Copies will be added to this file for future reference.

Several of the typewriting characters on Q1 were  
observed to have non printing areas which may allow an association  
with a suspect typewriting element.

The typewriting on Q1 was determined to have  
a horizontal spacing of ten characters per inch. The style  
and size of type most closely corresponds to Laboratory standard  
for the "Prestige Pica" type style. This type style may  
be found on numerous brand name typewriters, including IBM,  
Royal and others.

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MAIL ROOM

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No watermarks, indented writing or other physical characteristics were observed on Q1 which would further assist in determining its immediate origin.

The results of the psycholinguistic and latent fingerprint examinations and the disposition of the submitted evidence will be subjects of separate reports. Photographs are retained by the Laboratory.

Notes

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709233 - 0 WN VF

TO: SAC, WFO (9A-5651) (C-4)

Request:

- Search ACF
- Exam of incident witness statements, flight characteristics

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Result of exam:

Specimen Q1 was searched in the appropriate sections of the ACF w/o effect in ident. Copies will be added to the file for future reference.

The [redacted] Q1 was determined to have a horizontal spacing of 10 characters per inch. The style & size of type most closely correspond to laboratory standards for the "Prestige Plus" typeface. This typeface may be found on numerous hand-carry terminals, including IBM, Royal & others.

No watermarks, indented or other physical characteristics were observed on Q1 which would further assist in determining its immediate origin.

The results of the psycholinguistic and LFP exams and the disposition of the submitted word will be submitted by the reports. Photographs are retained by the laboratory -

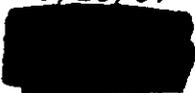
Several "the T.W. on Q1" characters were observed to have non-printing areas which may allow an association with a suspect element.

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9/24/87  
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

9/23/87

Laboratory Work Sheet



To: SAC, Washington Field Office (9A-5651) (C-4)

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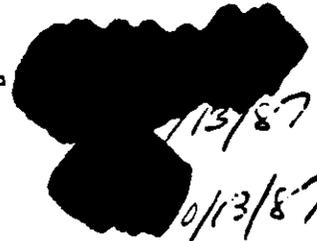
YOUR NO.

Re:



UNITED STATES SUPREME  
COURT JUSTICE  
THURGOOD MARSHALL - VICTIM;  
EXTORTION (A)

Examination



OO: Savannah  
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2 - Savannah

*See attached  
Notes*

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10-27-87

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Examiner's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date 10/1/87 Lab # 7-92301

Recognition Section:

- |          |           |           |           |
|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 1. _____ | 10. _____ | 19. _____ | 28. _____ |
| 2. _____ | 11. _____ | 20. _____ | 29. _____ |
| 3. _____ | 12. _____ | 21. _____ | 30. _____ |
| 4. _____ | 13. _____ | 22. _____ | 31. _____ |
| 5. _____ | 14. _____ | 23. _____ | 32. _____ |
| 6. _____ | 15. _____ | 24. _____ | 33. _____ |
| 7. _____ | 16. _____ | 25. _____ | 34. _____ |
| 8. _____ | 17. _____ | 26. _____ | 35. _____ |
| 9. _____ | 18. _____ | 27. _____ | 36. _____ |

National Fraudulent Check File

Date Searched	Date Added	
_____	_____	Signature Section
_____	_____	Company Name File
_____	_____	Checkwriter Section - Classified as _____
_____	_____	Gimmick Section
_____	_____	Master Check Section
_____	_____	Counterfeit Travelers Checks
_____	_____	Counterfeit Money Orders
_____	_____	Counterfeit Checks
_____	_____	Altered Travelers Checks
_____	_____	Altered Money Orders
_____	_____	Raised Bank Checks
_____	_____	Checks prepared with False "Certified" Impressions
_____	_____	Checks prepared with Press-On Letters

Stolen Money Orders & Travelers Checks Section:

Travelers Checks - Type	# From	To #
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Money Orders - Type		
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Photographed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Roll #: \_\_\_\_\_

CT # 11045

**Evidence Files Searched**

	Section(s) Searched	Date Searched	Section(s) Added	Date Added
Art	_____	_____	_____	_____
Bank Robbery Note File	_____	_____	_____	_____
Motor Vehicle Title	_____	_____	_____	_____
Anonymous Letter File:	Typewriter 2.54 1b1B	10/2/87	_____	_____

Motive \_\_\_\_\_

State(s) \_\_\_\_\_

VIP Thurgood Marshall

Bombing \_\_\_\_\_

Other \_\_\_\_\_

**Typewriter Information:**

2.54 (Pica) spacing  
 Resembles "Practical Pica"  
 styl' 2-400 (IBM, Bertha,  
 and ...  
 and ... "Estern"

**Standards Files Searched**

Date Searched

2.54 1b1B

- Tire Tread \_\_\_\_\_
- Shoe Print \_\_\_\_\_
- Typewriter \_\_\_\_\_
- Watermark \_\_\_\_\_
- Office Copier \_\_\_\_\_
- Safety Paper \_\_\_\_\_
- Computer Print Out \_\_\_\_\_

10/1/87

**Remarks:**

- 1 hole paper - 11.0000 ...  
 5.25 x 10.95 ... 6630

TYPEWRITER TYPE SPECIMEN

NO. NONE

NAME OF MACHINE

IBM SELECTRIC

TYPE OF MACHINE

STANDARD

STYLE OF TYPE

PRESTIGE PICA 72

FBI NO.  
1433  
FISCHE NO.

BASED ON MODELS

72

DATE & SERIAL NO. OF MACHINE  
WHEN TYPE FIRST USED

2-3-72

# 1433

ALSO SEE:  
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DATE & SERIAL NO. OF MACHINE  
WHEN TYPE USED 100%

2-3-72

COPIES MADE

DATE & SERIAL NO. OF MACHINE  
WHEN TYPE WAS DISCONTINUED

FORMULA

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CARBON SPECIMEN

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ  
 abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz  
 !@#\$%&\*() +,":'./?  
 1234567890-=-;'. /

CARBON SPECIMEN

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ  
 abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz  
 !@#\$%&\*() +,":'./?  
 1234567890-=-;'. /

REMARKS:

This type style is an adaptation  
 from the typebar Prestige Pica  
 10 pitch design. This style was  
 released for the IBM SELECTRIC  
 Model Typewriter.

I. B. M. (USA)

Formule

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Modèle : STANDARD (électrique)

Fabricant : IBM France

Lieu de fabrication : Essonnes (S. & O). (F)

Années : 1952

Matricule : 0001

Type de caractères : PRESTIGE PICA (SP)

Fabrique de caractères : Lexington -U.S.A.

Hauteur du "M" : 2,95 mm  
 Hauteur du "u" : 2,05 mm  
 Motion normale : 6,73 mm  
 Largeur max papier : 736 mm  
 Type de clavier : UNIVERSEL  
 Interlignes : 4,23 mm et 6,34 mm

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 1360  
 FISCHER NO.  
 174  
 ALSO SEE:  
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AA ZZ EE RR TT YY UU II OO PP ---  
 aa zz ee rr tt yy uu ii oo pp --

QQ SS DD FF GG HH JJ KK LL MM ZZ  
 qq ss dd ff gg hh jj kk ll mm ùù

WW XX CC VV BB NN ?? .. // ++  
 ww xx cc vv bb nn ,, ;: :: ==

- peux-tu m'envoyer de ce bon vieux whisky, comme celui que j'ai bu chez François le frère du forgeron du village ;
- PEUX TU M ENVOYER DE CE BON VIEUX WHISKY COMME CELUI QUE J'AI BU CHEZ FRANCOIS LE FRERE DU FORGERON DU VILLAGE.

1 - 6 - 1962

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FORMULA

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**TYPEWRITER BRAND NAME** DSG Single Element

**NAME OF TYPE STYLE** Prestige Pica #2905

**MANUFACTURER OF TYPE STYLE** DSG

FBI NO.

5222  
FISCHE NO.

ALSO SEE:  
SE. STANDARDS  
DRAWER



**EXEMPLAR:**

**Lower Case:**

±± 11 22 33 44 55 66 77 88 99 00 -- ==  
 qq ww ee rr tt yy uu 11 oo pp ±± ]]  
 aa ss dd ff gg hh jj kk ll :: ''  
 zz xx cc vv bb nn mm .. .. //

**Upper Case:**

•• !! @@ ## \$\$ %% && \*\* (( )) ++  
 QQ WW EE RR TT YY UU 11 00 PP ±± ¶  
 AA SS DD FF GG HH JJ KK LL :: " ""  
 ZZ XX CC VV BB NN MM KK LL :: ""  
 ZZ XX CC VV BB NN MM ,, .. ??

DSG Single Element ----- Prestige Pica

**OTHER RELATED INFORMATION:**  
Single Element

TYPEWRITER BRAND NAME *Royal/Quine/IBM/Diablo*

NAME OF TYPE STYLE *Prestige Pica 10*

MANUFACTURER OF TYPE STYLE *Royal*

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FBI NO.

*#3362*

FISCHE NO.

ALSO SEE:

*Royal Subfile*

EXEMPLAR:

484007	QUINE 82068	(M2068) WP PRESTIGE PICA 10	!"#\$%&'()*+,-./0123456789:;<=>?@ ABCDEFGHIJKLMN OPQRSTUVWXYZ [ ] ^ _ ` abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz{ }~
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OTHER RELATED INFORMATION:

*Roytype PRINTWHEEL*



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Typewriter Standards File

FBI NO.

829

FISCHE NO.

ALSO SEE:

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This is a sample of Esteem Pica type face.

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ !@#\$%&\*()\_+~":?.,

abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxy 1234567890-½';/.,

OLIVETTI ESTEEM PICA 10 Pitch 5.4 lines to an inch (Lines 88-6 lines to an inch)

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9/24/87  
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

9/23/87

Laboratory Work Sheet

To: SAC, Washington Field Office (9A-5651) (C-4)

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FBI FILE NO. 9-67085-9

LAB. NO. 70923016 D WH VP

YOUR NO.

Re: [REDACTED]  
UNITED STATES SUPREME  
COURT JUSTICE  
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2 - Savannah

Q1 forwarded to Sav. on 11/23/87 [REDACTED]

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Apex Q to LFPS 10/13/87 [REDACTED]

Photo'd 9/24  
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LFPS WILL PROCESS AND RETURN  
THE SUBMITTED EVIDENCE

FILE # 9-67085-9

CONTENTS: LAB WORKSHEET ITEMS

DO NOT STAMP OR HANDLE AS ENCLOSURE

**EVIDENCE**  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D.C.

**EVIDENCE**  
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WASHINGTON, D.C.

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TO: ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, SAVANNAH (9A-1500) (C)

SUBJECT: US  
 UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT JUSTICE  
 THURGOOD MARSHALL - VICTIM;  
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Savannah, Georgia  
September 23, 1987

Director  
United States Secret Service  
Department of the Treasury  
Washington, D. C. 20223

RE: [REDACTED]  
UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT JUSTICE  
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UNITED STATES SUPREME  
COURT JUSTICE  
THURGOOD MARSHALL - VICTIM;  
EXTORTION (A)

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OO: Savannah

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FORWARD PHOTOCOPY AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA OF SUBJECT VIA AIRTEL  
TO WASHINGTON FIELD FOR DISTRIBUTION TO U.S. SUPREME COURT POLICE.

INTERVIEW SUBJECT [REDACTED]

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OBTAIN PROSECUTIVE OPINION FROM U. S. ATTORNEY, WESTERN  
DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA.

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ASSOCIATE SUPREME COURT JUSTICE THURGOOD

MARSHALL; ASSOCIATE SUPREME COURT JUSTICE [redacted]

VICTIM: EXTORTION; OO:PITTSBURGH.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

REFERENCE WFO TELCALL TO PITTSBURGH, FEBRUARY 26, 1987.

FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE BUREAU AND PITTSBURGH  
DIVISION, ON FEBRUARY 26, 1987, THE UNITED STATES SUPREME  
COURT POLICE ADVISED WFO THAT, AT APPROXIMATELY 10:30 A.M.,  
THEY HAD RECEIVED A CALL FROM THE UNITED STATES SECRET  
SERVICE (USSS) INDICATING THAT CAPTIONED SUBJECT, [redacted]

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[REDACTED] DATE OF BIRTH, [REDACTED] SOCIAL SECURITY  
ACCOUNT NUMBER (SSAN) [REDACTED] HAD MADE THE FOLLOWING  
THREAT REGARDING THE CAPTIONED VICTIMS:

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"I'M ON MY WAY TO KILL THEM."

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

LEADS. PITTSBURGH DIVISION. AT PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA.

LOCATE AND INTERVIEW [REDACTED] CONDUCT LOCAL  
INDICES AND POLICE CHECK REGARDING [REDACTED] PRESENTS  
UNITED STATES ATTORNEY'S OFFICE FOR PROSECUTIVE OPINION,  
AND ADVISE WFO IN ORDER THAT UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT  
POLICE MIGHT BE APPROPRIATELY APPRISED.

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INFORMATIVE NOTE

Date 3/16/87

[REDACTED] ASSOCIATE SUPREME COURT  
 Re: JUSTICE THURGOOD MARSHALL - VICTIM;  
 ASSOCIATE SUPREME COURT JUSTICE [REDACTED]  
 [REDACTED] - VICTIM; EXTORTION;  
 OO: PITTSBURGH

On 2/27/87, our Pittsburgh Special Agents interviewed [REDACTED] regarding threats he had made regarding captioned victims.

[REDACTED] advised that he had never said that he was going to Washington, D. C., to kill [REDACTED] or Marshall.

[REDACTED] advised that he expressed his anger over the pro-choice abortion stand of Justice [REDACTED].

During that meeting he said that [REDACTED] should be arrested, impeached and executed for his [REDACTED] role in Wade vs. Roe 1973."

Investigation is continuing. b7c; b6

APPROVED: [REDACTED] [Signature]  
 [REDACTED]

- 1 - Mr. Revell
- 1 - Mr. Clarke
- 1 - Mr. Daniel
- 1 - Mr. Ricks
- 1 - Mr. Nelson
- 1 - [REDACTED]
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ATTN: WFO, SA [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ASSOCIATE SUPREME COURT JUSTICE <sup>Thurgood</sup> SURROGATE MARSHALL-

VICTIM; ASSOCIATE SUPREME COURT JUSTICE [REDACTED] VICTIM;

EXTORTION (OO: PITTSBURGH)

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REPOTEL TO BUREAU DATED MARCH 5, 1987; AND TELCALL TO SA [REDACTED] WFO, ON MARCH 13 1987.

ON MARCH 13, 1987, SUBJECT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WAS INTERVIEWED IN CONNECTION WITH ALLEGED THREATS TO KILL SUPREME COURT JUSTICES [REDACTED] AND MARSHALL. [REDACTED] WAS ADVISED OF THE IDENTITY OF THE INTERVIEWING AGENT AND THE NATURE OF THE INQUIRY. ACCORDING TO [REDACTED]

HE NEVER SAID HE WAS GOING

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TO GO TO WASHINGTON, D.C., AND KILL [REDACTED] AND/OR MARSHALL. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] HE SAW A PROGRAM ON A LOCAL TV STATION DEALING WITH THE ABORTION ISSUE. [REDACTED] SAID DURING THE NEXT DAY, THE TOPIC OF ABORTION WAS VERY MUCH ON HIS MIND. HE SAID HE WAS UPSET AND ANGRY OVER THE PRO-CHOICE ABORTION STAND OF SUPREME COURT JUSTICE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SAID TO A GROUP [REDACTED] THAT [REDACTED] SHOULD BE ARRESTED, IMPEACHED AND EXECUTED FOR HIS [REDACTED] ROLE IN WADE VS ROE (1973)."

[REDACTED] DENIED STATING HE WAS GOING TO KILL JUSTICE [REDACTED] OR MARSHALL. HE ALSO DENIED STATING HE WAS GOING TO TRAVEL TO WASHINGTON, D.C. FOR THIS OR ANY OTHER PURPOSES.

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] WAS COOPERATIVE DURING THE INTERVIEW [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] SAID HE HAD NO PLANS TO TRAVEL TO WASHINGTON, DC.

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] FOR THE  
INFORMATION OF THE BUREAU AND WFO, AUSA JAMES GARRETT, WOPA, REQUIRED  
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REGARDING SUBJECT BEFORE HE WOULD MAKE A  
PROSECUTIVE DECISION IN THIS MATTER. THEREFORE, PG WILL CONDUCT  
APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION AND PRESENT SAME TO THE USA'S OFFICE.

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PHOTOS OF [REDACTED] WERE SENT BY EXPRESS MAIL TO WFO FOR DISSEMINATION TO U.S. SUPREME COURT POLICE.

THE FOLLOWING BACKGROUND DATA WAS OBTAINED FOR (X) [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] THROUGH OBSERVATION AND INTERVIEW; CURRENT RESIDENCE:

[REDACTED] RACE: WH. SEX: MALE, AGE: [REDACTED]

DOB: [REDACTED] HT. [REDACTED] WT [REDACTED] HAIR: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SSAN: [REDACTED] (X)

PITTSBURGH AT PITTSBURGH, PA. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] CONDUCT CRIMINAL HISTORY CHECKS AND OBTAIN PROSECUTIVE OPINION OF AUSA. ADVISE THE BUREAU AND WFO.

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~~ATTENTION~~

~~██████████~~ ASSOCIATE SUPREME COURT JUSTICE SURROGATE

MARSHALL - VICTIM; ASSOCIATE SUPREME COURT JUSTICE ~~██████████~~

VICTIM; EXTORTION; OO: ~~██████████~~

BY TELETYPE DATED MARCH ~~██████████~~ 1987; FBI PITTSBURGH FURNISHED THE FOLLOWING:  
~~██████████ TO BUREAU DATED MARCH 23, 1987.~~

~~██████████~~ FROM PITTSBURGH ON MARCH 23, 1987.

~~FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE BUREAU~~ PITTSBURGH HAS  
COMPLETED ADDITIONAL INVESTIGATION REQUESTED BY THE USA, WDPA,  
REGARDING A PROSECUTIVE OPINION ON SUBJECT ~~██████████~~

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GARRETT, PITTSBURGH, PA, WITH THE FOLLOWING PROSECUTIVE DECISION:

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SURROUNDING THE ALLEGED THREATS AGAINST SUPREME COURT JUSTICES

[REDACTED] AND MARSHALL, HIS OFFICE WOULD DECLINE PROSECUTION IN THE  
CAPTIONED MATTER. AUSA GARRETT NOTED THE ALLEGED THREATS BY

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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] THE DATE OF  
WHICH HIS STATEMENTS REGARDING THE JUSTICES WERE MADE. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SAID  
[REDACTED] NEVER MADE ANY SPECIFIC THREATS THAT HE WAS GOING TO GO TO  
WASHINGTON, DC, AND KILL ANY SUPREME COURT JUSTICE. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SAID HE DID NOT KNOW HOW THE FBI AND U.S. SECRET SERVICE COULD HAVE  
RECEIVED INFORMATION IN WHICH HE [REDACTED] WAS SAID TO BE THE IN-  
DIVIDUAL TO WHOM [REDACTED] SPECIFICALLY STATED HE WAS GOING TO GO TO  
WASHINGTON, DC, AND KILL SUPREME COURT JUSTICES [REDACTED] AND MARSHALL.

[REDACTED] SAID [REDACTED] MADE NO SUCH STATEMENT AND HE CHARACTERIZED  
[REDACTED] AS "HARMLESS." [REDACTED] HAS BEEN AN OUTPATIENT AT THE VA SINCE  
1984. THOSE WHO WERE INTERVIEWED [REDACTED] REGARDING [REDACTED]  
STATEMENTS FELT HE DID NOT POSE ANY KIND OF DANGER TO THE SUPREME

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COURT JUSTICES. IN VIEW OF THE NEGATIVE PROSECUTIVE DECISION BY  
THE USA'S OFFICE, PITTSBURGH WILL CONDUCT NO FURTHER INVESTIGATION.  
~~FS 0025 WILL BE FORWARDED WHEN COMPLETED.~~

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- Dept. of Justice/DOJ/
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For:

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Subject: ASSOCIATE SUPREME COURT JUSTICE THURGOOD MARSHALL - VICTIM;  
ASSOCIATE SUPREME COURT JUSTICE [REDACTED] - VICTIM; CCSCAKA; OO: PG

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CCSCAKA, [REDACTED]  
OO: PITTSBURGH

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SYNOPSIS: In late February, 1987, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] made a statement [REDACTED] that he was going to kill Associate Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall and Associate Supreme Court Justice [REDACTED]

DETAILS: On 2/26/87, our Washington Field Office reported that the United States Supreme Court Police (USSCP) advised that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] had made remarks regarding Associate Supreme Court Justices Thurgood Marshall and [REDACTED]. During this conversation [REDACTED] stated "I'm on my way to kill them." This information was reported to the U. S. Secret Service who in turn advised the USSCP.

Our Pittsburgh Office developed information that [REDACTED] DOB [REDACTED]

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CURRENT DEVELOPMENTS: Our Pittsburgh Agents plan to interview [REDACTED]. The facts in this matter will then be presented to the U. S. Attorney's Office for a prosecutive opinion.

F. I. Clarke

- 1 - Mr. Revell
- 1 - Mr. Clarke
- 1 - Mr. Daniels
- 1 - Mr. Ricks
- 1 - Mr. Nelson

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Date 6/15/87

TO: ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI  
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FROM: SAC, WASHINGTON FIELD (9A-5546) (C-4) (RUC)

SUBJECT: ~~ASSOCIATE SUPREME COURT JUSTICE  
SURROGATE MARSHALL-VICTIM;  
ASSOCIATE SUPREME COURT JUSTICE  
[REDACTED] VICTIM;  
EXTORTION  
OO: PITTSBURGH~~

Re Pittsburgh airtel to Washington Field, dated 4/27/87.

The United States Supreme Court Police have been apprised of the results of this investigation.

WFO considers this matter RUC'd.

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ATTENTION SA [REDACTED] WFO

[REDACTED] ASSOCIATE SUPREME COURT JUSTICE SURROGATE

MARSHALL - VICTIM; ASSOCIATE SUPREME COURT JUSTICE [REDACTED]

VICTIM; EXTORTION; OO: PG

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COURT JUSTICES. IN VIEW OF THE NEGATIVE PROSECUTIVE DECISION BY  
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CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

INFORMATION NOTE

Date 3/26/87

ASSOCIATE SUPREME COURT JUSTICE THURGOOD MARSHALL - VICTIM;  
Re: ASSOCIATE SUPREME COURT JUSTICE [REDACTED] VICTIM; CCSCAKA; OO: PG

By way of background, in late February, 1987, [REDACTED] made a statement [REDACTED] that he was going to go to Washington, D. C., to kill captioned Justices. [REDACTED] a white male, DOB [REDACTED] was interviewed by our Pittsburgh Agents. He denied making threats against the Justices.

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This matter was discussed with the Assistant U. S. Attorney in Pittsburgh who declined prosecution.

JWC APPROVED: [Signature] [Initials]  
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## ***FILE DESCRIPTION***

**SUBJECT**

Thurgood Marshall

**FILE NO.**

Headquarters file 44-0-A

# Marshall: Timetable for Integration

APPROX

By SIDNEY HIELDS

Thurgood Marshall pointed to a news picture of the Rev. Martin Luther King being arrested for "loitering" in Montgomery, Ala., by two policemen.

"This picture will be printed all over the world, especially in Communist countries," Marshall said. "And King was only waiting to go into a courtroom. It's unbelievable! Yet, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People is accused of feeding the Communist propaganda mill."

Marshall is the Director and Counsel of the NAACP's Legal Defense and Educational Fund. This Thursday he will argue his 21st case before the U. S. Supreme Court, pleading for immediate integration at Central High School in Little Rock, Ark.

Like the Rev. King's picture, the arguments, the Court's decision and the aftermath, will be printed and talked about around the world.

Marshall has won 18 of his pleas before the Court. He always presents with quiet brilliance. Without any oratory he uses simple terms for complex legal arguments, and offers them with evident sincerity and a complete mastery of the law.

What was the biggest victory?  
"Each one was the biggest,"

he said. "You have to feel that way if you want to win."

OUT OF COURT he's given to easy laughter, tells a good joke. A big man, six feet, two, 205 pounds, now 50, he's a vestryman in his church, and his only amusement, outside his work, is playing with his two young sons, Thurgood, Jr., two, and John William, two months. They are the children of his second marriage. His first wife died of lung cancer.

Marshall's father was a country club steward; his mother recently retired after teaching school for 25 years, and now lives near him. They managed to make Marshall a lawyer and his brother a surgeon.

As a kid in Baltimore, Md., Marshall was the prankster in elementary school, and was constantly being punished.

"But it was good punishment," he said. "They made me memorize sections of the Constitution. I knew it word for word by the time I got out."

AFTER Lincoln University in Pennsylvania he went to Howard University Law School because he couldn't get an education in Maryland. He worked as the Student Librarian, which paid for his tuition, and commuted daily between Baltimore and Washington, D. C., 40 miles. Even before he was graduated at the head of his class he was writing briefs for civil rights cases.

"I suppose that's how I got into this work here," he said. In the 18 months he practiced privately, he had fewer cases with fees than civil rights cases without fees.

In April, 1955 he fought and won his first big case, involving the admission of Negroes to the University of Maryland. The next year he was hired by the NAACP on a temporary basis at \$2,000 a year. A year ago he reached \$15,000, and he's still a



WHO FEEDS RED PROPAGANDA MILL?  
Rev. Martin Luther King being arrested for "loitering" (above). King organized the successful boycott against "Jim Crow" buses in Montgomery, Alabama.

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temporary, on a year to year basis. He could do much better elsewhere, could have run for public office, could even have had a Federal judgeship.

"But this is far more important," he said, "and I haven't finished my work here yet."

TO MARSHALL the issue of segregation is now for the first time clearly defined: "It's not whether Negro children attend white schools, but whether any state can oppose the Federal government. The issue is simply whether the U. S. Constitution is supreme."

It's inevitable that the U. S. Supreme Court will order integration. What Arkansas Gov. Faubus does after that will determine the course of immediate events.

"One of our big problems here is to keep Negroes from taking retaliatory measures," Marshall said. "But I, for one, will never tell a man not to protect his family and home."

When will integration become an accepted fact?

"As far as the law is concerned I think it will be resolved this school term, either in Virginia or Arkansas. Then, we will have to fight it county by county in the South until perhaps 1963, the 100th anniversary of the Emancipation Proclamation. After that it will take a generation before it's complete, so both white and Negro accept each other on their merits."

His job will end when the law on the books holds any and all forms of enforced segregation illegal. The spotlight is on school integration, but Marshall is still fighting for the Negro's right to vote in areas of Alabama, Louisiana, Mississippi.

"In Hattiesburg, Mississippi," Marshall said, "that right to vote is determined by the Negro's answer to the question: 'How many bubbles in a bar of soap?' No, my job isn't finished yet."

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URGENT

UNSUBS, TEXAS RANGERS, THURGOOD MARSHALL, COMPLAINANT, CR. BY AGREEMENT OF OPPOSING COUNSEL AND COURT, CASE OF BELL VS. RIPPY BEFORE FEDERAL JUDGE ATWELL, DALLAS, TODAY WAS CONTINUED UNTIL NOV FOURTEEN NEXT IN VIEW OF NAACP LITIGATION, TYLER, TEXAS.

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OR HIS REPRESENTATIVES THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF TEXAS AND THE  
STATE AG MUST BE ADVISED AT THE OUTSET THAT THIS INVESTIGATION IS  
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DIRECTOR, FBI

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UNSUBS, TEXAS RANGERS, THURGOOD MARSHALL - COMPLAINANT, CR. REDLTEL  
YESTERDAY. USA FLOORE, NDT, STATES OPINION NO CR VIOLATION INDICATED  
ON BASIS AVAILABLE INFORMATION.

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Rosen

DATE: October 1, 1956

FROM : Mr. Price *JHP*

Times of calls, 8:00 P.M. & 8:55 P.M.

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS;  
THURGOOD MARSHALL, COMPLAINANT  
CIVIL RIGHTS

- Tolson
- Boardman
- Belmont
- Ladd
- Nichols
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- Tamm
- Nease
- Winterrowd
- Tele. Room
- Holloman
- Gandy

SAC Murphy, Dallas, called during the evening of 10-1-56 and stated that in his opinion, when he advised the Governor of Texas and the State Attorney General on 10-2-56 that the Bureau would be conducting investigation in this matter, they would thereafter make a press release to this effect. SAC Murphy desired to know how to answer any press inquiries received.

ACTION TAKEN:

SAC Murphy was instructed to answer any press inquiries received to the effect that we were conducting investigation in this matter on the specific instructions of Warren Olney III, Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Department of Justice, so that determination may be made whether there has been a violation of any Federal Civil Rights Statutes. This was approved by Mr. McGuire of Mr. Nichols' office.

cc: Mr. Nichols

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SAC, Dallas

PERSONAL ATTENTION

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CIVIL RIGHTS.

Reurtel 10-1-56 advising that USA, EDT, was of opinion that there was no civil rights violation indicated on the basis of information available.

Investigation requested by Bureau phone call of 9-30-56 was that Thurgood Marshall, complainant, be thoroughly interviewed. This investigation was directed by officials of the Department of Justice and there was no need to contact USA for his opinion. The investigation requested by Bureau teletype of 10-1-56 was also ordered by officials of the Criminal Division of the Department and there is no need to contact the USA for his views regarding this matter. This case must be afforded most expeditious attention and report submitted promptly at the completion of the investigation.

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Rosen *RP*

DATE: 10-9-56

FROM : Mr. Price *JRP*

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS;  
THURGOOD MARSHALL - COMPLAINANT  
CIVIL RIGHTS

Tolson
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This is to advise that the investigation requested by the Department has been completed and the last report was furnished to the Department on 10-8-56. The Department has been requested to advise whether or not further investigation is desired.

(Marshall, Special Counsel for the National Association For the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) originally complained to Department that individuals who had instituted suit in Federal Court against the Dallas, Texas, School Board had been intimidated by Texas Rangers and representatives of the Attorney General of the State of Texas. It was alleged that such intimidation was caused because such individuals had instituted action in Federal Court.)

(Investigation disclosed that 4 of the 24 plaintiffs in the civil action and the husband of a 5th plaintiff had been called before a court of inquiry in Dallas, Texas, on 9-29-56. Five additional plaintiffs were interviewed by representatives of the Texas Attorney General's office but did not appear before court of inquiry. Of the other plaintiffs interviewed, none had been questioned by any state officials regarding the action in Federal Court. (23 of the 24 plaintiffs were interviewed, the 24th plaintiff deserted his family in April, 1956 and his present whereabouts unknown)

(The questioning by state officials and at the court of inquiry was designed to ascertain whether the Negroes had of their own volition sent their children to the white school in Dallas and whether they had of their own volition instituted the action in Federal Court or whether such activities were encouraged or sponsored by others, particularly, the NAACP. Investigation did not disclose any use of threats against individuals.) In one instance wife of a plaintiff stated that the Deputy Constable who had subpoena for plaintiff to appear at court of inquiry on 9-29-56 had stated that if the plaintiff did not appear Constable would place him in jail. Plaintiff disregarded the instructions and has not heard anything further from state officers. One plaintiff stated that Texas Ranger, in questioning him, intimated that in filing suit against Dallas School Board he could be signing resignation from his job.

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The above is for information only and you will be advised as to the Department's opinion in this case.

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ADDENDUM:

At 12:45 p.m., A. B. Caldwell telephonically advised Supervisor [redacted] that he had received information that the hearing in Federal Court had now been postponed until November 14, 1956, and Caldwell desired the Bureau to proceed with interviews with the individuals who had been questioned in this matter by state authorities and those who had been brought before the court of inquiry at Dallas on September 29, 1956.

sent 10-4-56

There is attached a teletype to the Dallas Office instructing that office to interview the individuals who are plaintiffs in the civil action pending in Federal Court and who were questioned by state officials as well as those who, though not previously questioned, were brought before the court of inquiry on September 29, 1956. Dallas is being specifically instructed that inasmuch as this involves allegations against the state Attorney General that the Governor of the State of Texas and the state Attorney General are to be notified that the investigation is being conducted at the specific request of Warren Olney III, Assistant Attorney General, in charge of the Criminal Division and if information is developed that the Texas Rangers had in any way participated in this matter, the head of the Texas Rangers must be immediately advised.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Rosen

DATE: 10-1-56

FROM : Mr. Price *JHP*

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS;  
THURGOOD MARSHALL - COMPLAINANT  
CIVIL RIGHTS

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Supervisor [redacted] of the Civil Rights Unit conferred with Mr. A. B. Caldwell, Chief, and Mr. Henry Putzel, Attorney, of the Civil Rights Section regarding information obtained from Marshall as to alleged intimidation of individuals who are plaintiffs in a civil action pending in U. S. District Court in Dallas, Texas. Caldwell and Putzel were advised that a hearing is scheduled in Federal Court in the civil action for this date. They were furnished a summary of the information developed by the Dallas Office from its interview with Marshall and a news article that five Negro witnesses had stated in Justice of the Peace court that they did not have any knowledge their names were to be used in the suit in Federal Court to force integration in the Dallas school system.

Caldwell advised that in view of the action pending in Federal Court this date that no further interviews should be conducted at this time. He requested that the Bureau keep the Department advised of the results of the action in Federal Court. Putzel asked if Bureau Agents would observe the proceedings in Federal Court and was immediately informed by Caldwell that it is not in accordance with Bureau policy to have Agents sit in Federal Court as observers and Caldwell personally telephoned U. S. Attorney Heard L. Floore of the Northern District of Texas and instructed that he or one of his assistants observe the proceedings in the civil action in the U. S. District Court in Dallas today and advise the Department specifically whether or not the question of interviews by state authorities with the plaintiffs in the Federal suit is brought to the attention of the judge in the U. S. District Court today.

ACTION:

There is attached for your approval a memorandum to the Criminal Division confirming the conversations with Caldwell on 9-30-56 and 10-1-56 and setting forth the information developed by the Dallas Office on 9-30-56.

Enclosures *sent 10-2-56*

cc: 1 - Mr. Nichols  
1 - Mr. Belmont

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Price *gk*

DATE: October 2, 1956

FROM : E. H. Winterrowd *EHW*

Time of call: 11:35 A.M.

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS;  
THURGOOD MARSHALL - COMPLAINANT  
CIVIL RIGHTS

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SAC Murphy, Dallas, called with respect to the investigation being conducted in this matter. He had three questions:

1. Should signed statements be taken from the victims? He was advised they should be.

2. If the victims desire to be interviewed in the presence of their attorneys, would this be permissible? He was advised that under the circumstances it would, but that in the last analysis he would have to be responsible for the circumstances under which the interview is conducted and that the attorney is the proper person in front of whom to conduct the interview.

3. If a request is made for a signed statement, should a copy be made available? He was advised that this is the proper action under current regulations but that he need not volunteer.

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*Civil Rights* *Dallas*

UNSUBS, THURGOOD MARSHALL, COMPLAINANT, CR. RE DL TELETYPE TO SA OCTOBER ONE LAST. MR. DAVIS GRANT, FIRST ASSISTANT ATTORNEY

GENERAL, ATTORNEY GENERAL-S DEPARTMENT, STATE OF TEXAS, MR. JOHN

OSORIO, ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT TO GOVERNOR ALLAN SHIVERS,

GOVERNOR-S OFFICE, STATE OF TEXAS, AND COL. HOMER GARRISON,

DIRECTOR, TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, AUSTIN, TEXAS,

ADVISED ON MORNING OCTOBER TWO INST. THURGOOD MARSHALL-S

COMPLAINT THAT INTERVIEW BEING CONDUCTED BY DL OFFICE WITH

PLAINTIFFS WERE QUESTIONED BY STATE OFFICIALS AND THOSE

BROUGHT BEFORE COURT OF INQUIRY AT DALLAS SEPT. TWENTY NINE.

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TO : Mr. Rosen *Ru*

DATE: October 2, 1956

FROM : Mr. Price *DP*

Time of call, 7:50 P.M.

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS;  
THURGOOD MARSHALL, COMPLAINANT,  
CIVIL RIGHTS

- Tolson \_\_\_\_\_
- Nichols \_\_\_\_\_
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During the evening of 10-2-56, SAC Murphy, Dallas, telephonically contacted the Bureau to advise that 16 of the 24 plaintiffs had been interviewed so far in this matter, and it was expected that the remaining interviews would be completed during the evening of 10-2-56. SAC Murphy stated that all interviewed have reported no instances of any intimidation. According to SAC Murphy, all persons interviewed have been cordial; no difficulties encountered; and no publicity given to interviews to date.

SAC Murphy stated that upon completion of the interviews, he will furnish the Bureau a teletype summary.



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UNSUBS, THURGOOD MARSHALL, COMPLAINANT, CR. (TWENTYTWO OF TWENTYFOUR PLAINTIFFS IN BELL VS. RIPPY INTERVIEWED. TWO REMAINING NOT IMMEDIATELY AVAILABLE. ONLY FOUR PLAINTIFFS AND HUSBAND OF ANOTHER PLAINTIFF APPEARED IN COURT OF INQUIRY. ONLY FOUR ADDITIONAL PLAINTIFFS QUESTIONED BY ASST. AG-S. NONE ALLEGE INTIMIDATION OF ANY TYPE BY AAGS. /

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UNSUBS, THURGOOD MARSHALL, COMPLAINANT, CR. REBUTEL OCT ONE, FIFTY-SIX. JOHN BEN SHEPPERD, TEXAS ATTORNEY GENERAL, HAS TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED DL OFFICE OF HIS RECEIPT OF INFORMATION FROM SA OFFICE THAT INVESTIGATION IS IN PROGRESS. HE STATED HE HAS A COPY OF THE TRANSCRIPT OF TESTIMONY OF COURT OF INQUIRY HELD SEPT TWENTYNINE LAST, AND WOULD MAKE SAME AVAILABLE IF DESIRED. FURTHER ADVISED HE PLANS TO CONTINUE SUCH COURT OF INQUIRY AT DALLAS EITHER OCT THREE OR FOUR. STATED WOULD BE HAPPY TO HAVE BUREAU REPRESENTATIVE AT SUCH COURT OF INQUIRY. HIS OFFER WAS TACTFULLY DECLINED. TEXAS RANGERS, DL, IN GENERAL CONVERSATION THIS DATE ADVISED THAT WHEN THE TWO ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERALS OF TEXAS WERE HERE TO INTERVIEW WITNESSES, THEY DID NOT HAVE TRANSPORTATION AND HE ASSIGNED RANGERS AND TO PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION FOR THEM IN CONDUCTING SUCH INTERVIEWS.

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UNSUBS, THURGOOD MARSHALL, COMPLAINANT, CR. REDTEL YESTERDAY.

TWENTYTHREE OF TWENTYFOUR PLAINTIFFS LOCATED. NO ADDITIONAL ALLEGATIONS

OF INTIMIDATION. INVESTIGATION COMPLETED. MARSHALL MADE AVAILABLE

TRANSCRIPT OF TESTIMONY OF COURT OF INQUIRY FURNISHED HIM BY JUSTICE

OF PEACE RICHBERG. CLOSING REPORT WILL BE FORWARDED OCTOBER FOUR

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UNSUBS, THURGOOD MARSHALL-COMPLAINANT, CIVIL RIGHTS. RE TEL CALL SA  
NATL. ASSOC. FOR ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE  
BU, TODAY. THURGOOD MARSHALL, SPECIAL COUNSEL, NAACP

NEW YORK CITY  
NYC, W. J. DURHAM, RESIDENT COUNSEL, TEXAS CONFERENCE OF BRANCHES, NAACP  
DALLAS

DL, AND C. B. BUNKLEY, ATTORNEY, DL, ALL NEGROES, ALLEGE CERTAIN PLAINTIFFS IN SUIT STYLED BELL VERSUS RIPPY, NUMBER SIX ONE SIX FIVE, NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS, TO BE HEARD BEFORE <sup>FEDERAL GRAND JURY</sup> FGJ ATWELL, DL, OCT. ONE, FIFTYSIX, HAVE BEEN ~~QUITE~~ "INTIMIDATED" ~~UNQUOTE~~ BY TWO STATE ASSISTANT ATTORNEYS GENERAL, TEXAS, AND ASSISTING UNIDENTIFIED LOCAL OFFICERS, IN EFFORT TO GET THEM NOT TO PROSECUTE ABOVE DESEGREGATION SUIT INVOLVING TESTIMONY IN SAID SUIT. SPECIFICALLY, MARSHALL ALLEGES ATTORNEY GENERALS OFFICE INSTITUTED SERIES OF INTERVIEWS OF PLAINTIFFS, ALL PARENTS OR GUARDIANS OF NEGRO CHILDREN INVOLVED IN SUIT, CULMINATING IN COURT OF INQUIRY BEFORE JUSTICE OF PEACE W. E. RICHBURG, DL, TEN A M SEPT. TWENTYNINE, AT TIME ALL NAACP ATTORNEYS WERE AT TYLER, TEXAS CONFERRING WITH ATTORNEY GENERAL JOHN BEEN SHEPPARD RE AG-SUIT TO OUTLAW NAACP IN TEXAS. MARSHALL ALLEGES PLAINTIFFS WERE TAKEN BY UNIDENTIFIED OFFICERS WITHOUT DISPLAY OF STATE PROCESS OF ANY TYPE AND IN SOME INSTANCES UNDER THREATS OF INCARCERATION AND ECONOMIC PRESSURE <sup>RECORDED-57</sup> BEFORE COURT OF INQUIRY. MARSHALL STATES, WHILE COURT OF INQUIRY WAS PURPORTED TO BE IN CONNECTION WITH A.G.-S SUIT TO OUTLAW NAACP, ACTUAL PURPOSE WAS TO TRY TO FORCE PLAINTIFFS TO STATE THEY DID NOT HIRE ATTORNEYS AND SIGN

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PETITIONS IN FEDERAL SUIT. MARSHALL MADE AVAILABLE COPIES OF UNSIGNED STATEMENTS OF EIGHT INDIVIDUALS, PLAINTIFFS, WHICH MARSHALL STATED INCLUDED DETAILS OF ALLEGED INTIMIDATIONS. EXAMINATION OF STATEMENTS, SHOWS THREE PERSONS STATE THEY WERE INTERVIEWED BY A-G REPRESENTATIVES, ONE ON SEPT. TWENTY, LAST, TWO ON SEPT. TWENTYFIRST, LAST, AND WERE ASKED IF THEY HAD ON THEIR OWN VOLITION TAKEN CHILDREN TO WHITE SCHOOLS FOR ENROLLMENT, OR WHETHER NAACP HAD SUGGESTED IT, FURTHER IF THEY HAD SIGNED PETITION FOR FEDERAL COURT ACTION OF THEIR OWN VOLITION OR WHETHER NAACP HAD ASKED THEM TO SIGN SUCH PETITIONS. TWO PERSONS GAVE NO INDICATION IN STATEMENTS THEY HAD BEEN INTERVIEWED BY A-G REPRESENTATIVES THREE REMAINING STATEMENTS ARE FROM INDIVIDUALS WHO SAY THEY APPEARED BEFORE JP RICHBURG IN DL PURSUANT TO REQUESTS. [REDACTED] SAID RECEIVED TEL MESSAGE FROM A [REDACTED] NAACP MEMBER, ABOUT ELEVEN FIFTEEN AM SEPT. TWENTYNINE, LAST, ASKING HIM TO APPEAR BEFORE JP. b7C LUEADA GIPSON STATED SHE WAS CONTACTED AT HER RESIDENCE AT ABOUT ELEVEN THIRTY AM, SEPT. TWENTYNINE, LAST, AND WAS INFORMED BY AN OFFICER THAT A SUBPOENA HAD BEEN ISSUED FOR HER TO APPEAR IN JP COURT AND WAS TAKEN TO THE COURT BY THE [REDACTED] OFFICER. [REDACTED] STATED AT TWO THIRTY OR THREE PM, SEPT. TWENTYNINE, LAST, INDIVIDUAL CAME TO HOME SAYING HE HAD SUBPOENA FOR HER TO APPEAR IN JP COURT AND TOOK HER IN CAR TO THE COURT. THESE LATTER THREE PERSONS STATE WERE TAKEN BEFORE JP , WERE  
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SWORN, AND IN PRESENCE OF JP, JP-S FEMALE SECRETARY, AND TWO ASSISTANT A-G-S WERE QUESTIONED CONCERNING INSTITUTION OF SUITS AGAINST DL SCHOOL BOARD ALONG SAME LINES AS ABOVE. STATEMENTS CONTAIN NO ALLEGATIONS OF INTIMIDATION, BRUTALITY, USE OF FORCE OR ECONOMIC PRESSURE AS TO CONSEQUENCES IF THEY FAILED TO APPEAR IN JP COURT OF AS TO THE FEDERAL SUIT. AG OF TEXAS IS CONDUCTING FORMAL INVESTIGATION TO DETERMINE IF NAACP IS GUILTY OF VIOLATIONS OF BARRATRY STATUTE WHICH MAKES IT A PENAL OFFENSE TO STIR UP LAW SUITS. ASSISTANTS A-G-S L. W. GRAY AND JOHN A. WILD ARE IDENTIFIED IN DL PRESS TODAY AS HAVING CONDUCTED COURT OF INQUIRY UNDER ORDERS OF A-G SHEPPARD, PURSUANT TO TEL CALL FROM SHEPPARD, AT TYLER, TEXAS, TO JP RICHBURG AT SEVEN AM, SEPT. TWENTYNINE, LAST. ACCORDING TO PRESS, FIVE OF SIX NEGRO WITNESSES BEFORE J P RICHBURG STATED THEY DID NOT HAVE ANY KNOWLEDGE THEIR NAMES WERE TO BE USED IN A CURRENT SUIT IN FEDERAL COURT TO FORCE INTERGRATION IN DL SCHOOL SYSTEM. JUDGE ATWELL RULED AGAINST PLAINTIFFS IN THIS SUIT SEPT FIFTEEN FIFTYFIVE BUT ON APPEAL CASE REVERSED AND REMANDED FOR NEW TRIAL SET FOR OCT. ONE FIFTYSIX. <sup>CLOSING REPORT</sup> UACB NO FURTHER INQUIRY DL. C RPT TO BE SUBMITTED.

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Rosen

DATE: October 1, 1956

FROM : Mr. Price *JP*

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS, TEXAS RANGERS;  
THURGOOD MARSHALL, COMPLAINANT;  
CIVIL RIGHTS

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On Sunday, September 30, 1956, A. B. Caldwell, Chief, Civil Rights Section, telephonically advised he had received a long-distance phone call from Marshall that the Texas Rangers had taken away some colored children in Dallas, Texas, and questioned them regarding a civil action in Federal court, Dallas, Texas. Caldwell stated that Marshall had complained the individuals had been intimidated regarding the action pending in Federal court in their behalf against a school board. He advised that Marshall, general counsel for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), had been in Dallas, Texas, in connection with a state court action to prohibit the NAACP from doing business in Texas. Caldwell desired that Marshall be interviewed on September 30, 1956, and that interviews be conducted on October 1, 1956, with the colored children or anyone else who had been picked up and questioned by the Texas Rangers to determine if there had been any intimidation of such individuals because of their instituting action in Federal court.

ACTION:

The Dallas Office was telephonically instructed to interview Thurgood Marshall on 9/30/56 in Dallas, Texas, and ascertain the full details of the complaint and advise the Bureau of the results.

At 10:50 P. M. on September 30, 1956, SAC Murphy of Dallas telephonically advised that Marshall had been interviewed and advised that John Ben Shepperd, Attorney General, State of Texas, and two Assistant Attorney Generals had been interviewing the individuals who were plaintiffs in a civil action which is set for hearing in United States District Court, Dallas, Texas, on October 1, 1956. Murphy stated that no children had been questioned by the Texas officials but only the parents or guardians

cc: Mr. Nichols  
Mr. Belmont

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of the colored children. He stated that the individuals had been taken by the officials on the basis of a subpoena to a justice of the peace in Dallas and questioned as to whether they had instituted the action in Federal court of their own initiative or whether they had been given any encouragement or direction. They were also questioned as to whether they had of their own volition or initiative endeavored to have the colored children in white schools or whether it had been encouraged or directed by others, particularly the NAACP. Murphy stated that although Marshall had mentioned that the individuals were being "intimidated" the statements which Marshall had obtained from various persons did not indicate they had been intimidated or threatened in any manner. Dallas is submitting a detailed summary of the interview with the names of the individuals involved.

RECOMMENDATION:

Inasmuch as a Federal court hearing is scheduled in a civil suit for October 1, 1956, this matter is being presented to the Civil Rights Section of the Department in order to determine if further interviews are desired at this time. Dallas has been instructed not to conduct any further interviews unless advised by the Bureau.

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Assistant Attorney General  
Warren Olney III

October 1, 1956

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This is to confirm a telephone conversation between Mr. A. B. Caldwell, Chief, Civil Rights Section, and Special Agent [redacted] of this Bureau on September 30, 1956, and to confirm a conference between Messrs. Caldwell and Henry Putzel of the Civil Rights Section and Special Agent [redacted] on October 1, 1956.

Mr. Caldwell advised on September 30, 1956, that he had received a telephone call from Mr. Thurgood Marshall, General Counsel for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), regarding activities by Texas Rangers. Mr. Marshall was in Dallas, Texas, and had stated that the Texas officials had taken some colored children and questioned them regarding a civil action which was pending in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas, Dallas, Texas. These individuals had been questioned while their attorneys were in Tyler, Texas, in connection with an action in state court brought to prohibit the NAACP from doing business in the State of Texas. Mr. Caldwell requested that Mr. Marshall be interviewed, if possible, on September 30, 1956, and that interviews be conducted on October 1, 1956, with the colored children or anyone else who had been picked up and questioned by the Texas Rangers so that a determination could be made as to whether or not there had been any intimidation of such individuals because of their having instituted action in Federal Court.

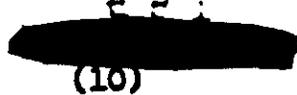
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On October 1, 1956, Messrs. Caldwell and Putzel were advised of the results of the information developed by our Dallas Office on September 30, 1956. Messrs. Marshall, W. J. Durham, Resident Counsel, Texas Conference of Branches of the NAACP, and C. B. Bunkley, Attorney of Dallas, Texas, advised Agents of our Dallas Office that certain plaintiffs in the civil action captioned "Bell versus Rippy" which is scheduled to be held before United States District Judge [redacted] at Dallas, Texas, on October 1, 1956, had been intimidated by two Assistant Attorneys General of the State of Texas and unidentified local officers in an effort to

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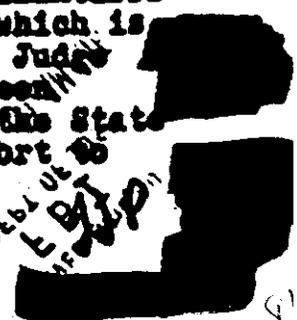
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get the individuals not to prosecute the suit. The civil action concerns denial by the Dallas Independent School District in denying admittance to Negro children to schools in Dallas. Mr. Marshall advised that the Office of the Attorney General of the State of Texas had instituted a series of interviews with the plaintiffs which ended in a court of inquiry before Justice of the Peace W. E. Richburg, Dallas, Texas, on September 29, 1956, at a time when all of the NAACP attorneys were at Tyler, Texas, conferring with Attorney General John Ben Shepperd regarding a state suit to outlaw the NAACP in Texas. Mr. Marshall stated that the plaintiffs, who are parents or guardians of the Negro children involved in the suit, had been taken before the court of inquiry by unidentified officers without a display of state process of any type and in some instances they had been taken under threats of incarceration and economic pressure.

Mr. Marshall advised that while the court of inquiry was purported to be held in connection with the State Attorney General's suit to outlaw the NAACP, the actual purpose of the hearing was to try to force the plaintiffs to state that they did not hire the attorneys who had signed the petitions in the Federal suit. Mr. Marshall made available copies of unsigned statements prepared by eight individuals, which statements Mr. Marshall advised included details of the alleged intimidation. The examination of the statements by Agents of our Dallas Office reflects that three individuals allegedly were interviewed by representatives of the State Attorney General and asked if they had, of their own volition, taken their children to the white schools for enrollment, or whether the NAACP had suggested this action. They were further asked if they had signed the petition for action in Federal Court of their own volition or whether the NAACP had asked them to sign such petitions. One of the individuals had been interviewed by state authorities on September 20, 1956, and the other two on September 21, 1956.

Two individuals in their statements did not indicate that they had been interviewed by representatives of the State Attorney General. The other three statements were from <sup>b7c</sup> individuals who stated that they appeared before Justice of the Peace Richburg in Dallas pursuant to request. [REDACTED] in his statement related that he had received a telephone

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message from a [REDACTED], a member of the NAACP, on the morning of September 29, 1956, asking him to appear before the Justice of the Peace. [REDACTED] related that she had been contacted in her residence on September 29, 1956, at about 11:30 in the morning and informed by an officer that a subpoena had been issued for her appearance in the Justice of the Peace court. [REDACTED] was taken to the court by the officer. [REDACTED] in her statement reported that she had been contacted at 2:30 or 3:00 in the afternoon on September 29, 1956, by an individual who said he had a subpoena for her to appear in the Justice of the Peace court. [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] stated they had been taken before the Justice of the Peace and placed under oath and in the presence of the Justice of the Peace, his female secretary, and two Assistant Attorneys General of the State of Texas, questioned concerning the institution of the suits against the Dallas School Board along the lines set forth above.

Our Dallas Office has advised that the statements did not contain allegations of brutality, intimidation, use of force or possible economic pressure if they failed to appear in the Justice of the Peace court. The Attorney General of Texas is reportedly conducting a formal investigation to determine if the NAACP is guilty of violation of the Barratry Statute which makes it a penal offense to abet or encourage litigation.

Our Dallas Office has advised that articles appearing in the local newspapers on October 1, 1956, identified Assistant Attorneys General L. W. Gray and John A. Wild as having conducted a court of inquiry under orders of Attorney General Shepperd pursuant to a telephone call from Mr. Shepperd at Tyler, Texas, to Justice of the Peace Richburg at 7:00 on the morning of September 29, 1956. The newspaper articles indicated that five of the six Negro witnesses before Justice of the Peace Richburg had stated they did not have any knowledge their names were to be used in a court suit in Federal Court to force integration in the Dallas school system. Our Dallas Office has further advised that in the case captioned "Bell versus Rippy," the District Court had ruled against the plaintiffs on September 15, 1955, but this decision had been reversed by the Circuit Court of Appeals and the case remanded for a new trial which was set for October 1, 1956.

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Mr. Caldwell advised further interviews in this matter should not be conducted at this time in view of the fact that the civil suit in Federal Court was scheduled for hearing on October 1, 1956. He requested that the Bureau follow the developments in action pending in Federal Court. Mr. Caldwell telephonically contacted United States Attorney Floore, Northern District of Texas, and requested that Mr. Floore or one of his assistants attend the Federal Court at Dallas, Texas, on October 1, 1956, and advise the Department if the action by the Texas officials is brought to the attention of the court during the hearing in the case captioned "Bell versus Rippy."

At 12:45 p.m., on October 1, 1956, Mr. A. B. Caldwell telephonically advised Special Agent [REDACTED] that information had been received that the hearing scheduled in Federal Court for that date had been postponed until November 14, 1956. Mr. Caldwell requested that the Bureau proceed with its investigation and that interviews be conducted with the persons who had been questioned by officials of the State of Texas regarding the Federal action as well as interviews with those persons who, not previously questioned, by state officials, had been brought before the court of inquiry in Dallas, Texas, on September 29, 1956. The investigation requested by Mr. Caldwell has been instituted and you will be advised of the results of such investigation. Inasmuch as this involves allegations against assistants to the Attorney General of the State of Texas, the Governor of the State of Texas and the Attorney General are being advised that the investigation is being conducted by this Bureau pursuant to the request of the Department of Justice. b7c

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This matter is being taken  
up with A. B. Caldwell, Chief,  
Civil Rights Section, to determine  
whether in light of the civil action  
pending in Federal court on  
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interviews conducted at this  
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Re report of SA [REDACTED] 10/4/56,  
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pages 35-37, 41, concerning [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Dallas, Texas, one of the 24 plaintiffs in BELL vs.  
RIPPY, No. 6165, NDT, the integration suit involving Dallas  
Public Schools.

When interviewed by SA [REDACTED] and  
[REDACTED], on 10/3/56, in connection with referenced  
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TITLE OF CASE  <b>UNKNOWN SUBJECTS, THURGOOD MARSHALL - COMPLAINANT</b>		Report made by 	CHARACTER OF CASE  <b>CIVIL RIGHTS</b>

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**Synopsis:** 23 of 24 plaintiffs in Dallas, Texas public school integration suit identified and interviewed; one plaintiff not located. 4 plaintiffs and husband of 5th plaintiff appeared before Court of Inquiry, 9/29/56; 5 additional plaintiffs interviewed by State officials, but did not appear before Court of Inquiry. None alleged intimidation of any type by Texas Assistant Attorneys General. questioned by AAG and Texas Ranger at place of employment, feels possible economic pressure intended by remarks of Texas Ranger. , a plaintiff, states Deputy Constable appeared at residence morning of 9/29/56 and, in finding plaintiff not home, stated had subpoena for him to Court of Inquiry and if he did not appear, Constable would return and put in jail until Monday morning so Court would know whereabouts; disregarded instructions of Deputy Constable and has heard nothing further. Persons required to appear before Court of Inquiry state that although local officers said they had subpoenas, they were not exhibited.

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**DETAILS:**

**AT DALLAS, TEXAS**

On October 1, 1956, the Bureau advised Assistant Attorney General WARREN OLNEY, III, Criminal Division, had requested interviews with plaintiffs in BELL versus RIPPY, Number 6165, Northern District of Texas, (integration suit scheduled to have been heard before United States District Judge WILLIAM H. ATWELL, Dallas, October 1, 1956, postponed to November 14, 1956), who were questioned by State officials, as well as those plaintiffs who, not previously questioned by State officials, were brought before a Court of Inquiry at Dallas on September 29, 1956.

At 11:25 AM on October 2, 1956, the San Antonio Division advised that Mr. DAVIS GRANT, First Assistant Attorney General, Attorney General's Department, State of Texas; Mr. JOHN OSORIO, Administrative Assistant to Governor ALLAN SHIVERS, Governor's Office, State of Texas, and Colonel HOMER GARRISON, Director, Texas Department of Public Safety, Austin, Texas, were advised on the morning of October 2, 1956, of the facts of THURGOOD MARSHALL's complaint and that interviews were being conducted by the Dallas Office with plaintiffs who had been questioned by State officials and those brought before the Court of Inquiry at Dallas on September 29, 1956. b7C

Thereafter, on October 2, 1956, JOHN BEN SHEPPERD, Texas Attorney General, communicated telephonically with SAC WILLIAM A. MURPHY, stating he was in receipt of information which had been supplied to his office. He volunteered to furnish a copy of the transcript of testimony at the Court of Inquiry, Dallas, September 29, 1956. He said he plans to have additional Courts of Inquiry, Dallas, either October 3 or 4, 1956, and would welcome the presence of a Bureau representative at such inquiries. b7C

On October 2, 1956, [redacted] Texas Rangers, Dallas, advised SAC MURPHY that when two Assistant Attorneys General appeared in Dallas, they did not have transportation and he assigned Rangers [redacted] and [redacted] to provide transportation for them in conducting their interviews. b7C

On October 2, 1956, SAS [redacted] and [redacted] reviewed records of BELL versus RIPPY, Number 6165, in the office of the United States District Clerk, Northern District of Texas, Dallas, Texas, and obtained names of

plaintiffs as they appear of record, 24 in number. Each of the persons was listed as "next friend" of minor children whose enrollment had been sought in Dallas public schools. No addresses appeared in the records.

Records of the United States District Court reflected the following attorneys of record for plaintiffs: W. J. DURHAM, 2600 Flora; C. B. BUNKLEY, JR., 814 1/2 North Good-Latimer Expressway; LOUIS BEDFORD, 1807 1/2 Singleton Boulevard; KENNETH HOLBERT, 2531 Forest Avenue; U. SIMPSON TATE, 2600 Flora; J. E. TURNER, JR., 1723 Routh Street, all Dallas; THURGOOD MARSHALL, 107 West 43rd Street, New York City; ROBERT L. CARTER, New York City. Attorney of record for defendants was shown as A. J. THUSS, JR., 1122 Davis Building, Dallas.

On October 2, 1956, SAS [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] obtained from THURGOOD MARSHALL, Special Counsel, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, at 2600 Flora Street, Dallas, a purported list of addresses of above-mentioned plaintiffs and none had been deleted. He stated the individuals named in United States District Court records as attorneys for plaintiffs is complete. b7c

MARSHALL furnished a photostatic copy of what purports to be the transcript of proceedings before the Court of Inquiry in the office of Justice of the Peace W. E. BILL RICHBURG, Dallas, on September 29, 1956. A photostatic copy of said document is provided as an enclosure to each copy of this report.

THURGOOD MARSHALL volunteered that he could find, from his review of statutes and decisions, no support for possible contempt action against State officials but said that he feels that activities of State officials constitute probable violations of Obstruction of Justice Statutes. In this connection, he stated he feels that based on ODUM versus U.S., 116 Fed. 2nd 996, Texas, 1941, it is immaterial that persons questioned by State officials were not under Federal subpoenas at the time of questioning. He further volunteered that he is considering possible Federal subpoenas for all persons, including plaintiffs, who may possibly testify in the Federal suit which action he considered might deter State officials from interrogating such persons.

The following signed statements were obtained from plaintiffs in the Federal suit from whom testimony was taken in the Court of Inquiry on September 29, 1956:



The following are results of interview of plaintiffs of record who profess to have been interviewed by State officials, but who did not appear before the Court of Inquiry, September 29, 1956:

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The following plaintiffs of record advised interviewing Agents they have not been questioned at any time by State officials regarding the Federal suit: b7C

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Two Photostats of purported transcript of testimony,  
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TO UNITED STATES ATTORNEY, FORT WORTH, TEXAS (1)

One Photostat of purported transcript of testimony,  
Court of Inquiry, Dallas, Texas, September 29, 1956.

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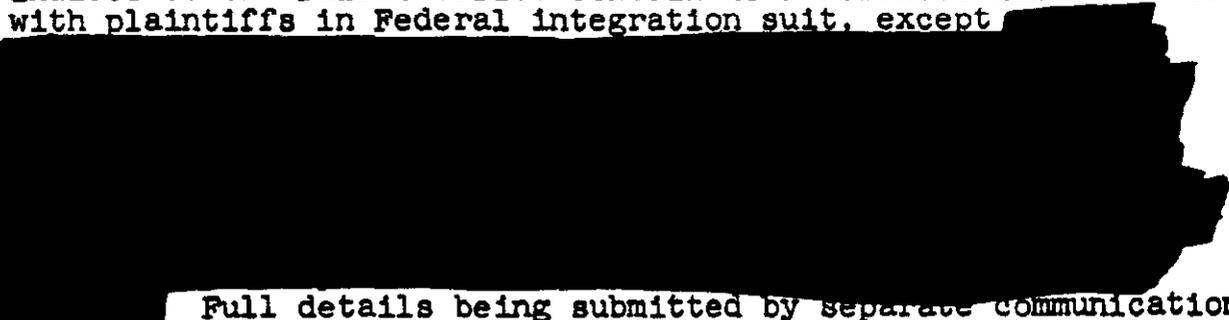
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Two copies of this report were prepared for the Dallas office for possible use in the event further investigation is required.

One copy is being furnished to the USA, Ft. Worth, Texas, for information, since the USA has indicated he has been in communication with the Department relative to this matter.

Indices of the Dallas office contain no references identifiable with plaintiffs in Federal integration suit, except



Full details being submitted by separate communication under SGE character.

REFERENCES

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Report of SA [redacted] 10/1/56, at Dallas.  
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**Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT**

TO : Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

DATE: October 16, 1956.

FROM : Warren Olney III, Assistant Attorney General,  
Criminal Division

SUBJECT: Unknown Subjects;  
Thurgood Marshall - Complainant  
Civil Rights

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This refers to your October 8, 1956, transmittal memorandum and the report enclosed therewith of Special Agent [redacted] dated October 4, 1956, at Dallas. No further investigation is desired at this time. Please, however, keep us advised of developments in Bell v. Rippy or related litigation concerning Mr. Marshall's complaint of intimidation of witnesses and parties and the disclaimer of such intimidation by representatives of the Texas Attorney General's office.

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THEURGOOD MARSHALL - COMPLAINANT  
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10-4-56. Rerep SA [redacted] Dallas,

There is transmitted herewith a copy of a memorandum dated October 16, 1956, from the Criminal Division advising that no further investigation is desired at this time and requesting your office to keep the Department advised of developments in the civil action pending in U. S. District Court or any related litigation concerning the intimidation of witnesses and parties to the suit as well as information regarding any statements denying intimidation by representatives of the Attorney General of the State of Texas. This matter is to be closely followed by you and the Bureau currently advised of all developments.

In the event any newspaper articles or other documents are forwarded to the Bureau it is, of course, necessary for you to furnish two copies of each article or document so that one may be retained in the files of the Bureau and one made available to the Department of Justice.

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Of latter three, one appeared at request of NAACP member, no officer involved; two alleged officers came to their residences 9/29/56 saying they had subpoenas and that plaintiffs must appear or be arrested. Dallas press, 9/30/56, indicates five of six Negroes questioned by Court of Inquiry, denied authorizing filing of Federal suit in their names or names of their children. Some discrepancies reported by press as to statements of witnesses compared to information appearing in statements furnished by MARSHALL. USA, NDT, states of view that no Civil Rights violation indicated on basis of available information.

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DETAILS:

At Dallas, Texas:

THURGOOD MARSHALL, in accordance with Bureau instructions was interviewed at 7:00 PM, September 30, 1956, at [REDACTED] by SAS [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] Mr. MARSHALL advised that he is Special Counsel, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), with offices at 107 West 43rd Street, New York City. [REDACTED]

MARSHALL stated that he has been in the Dallas area for the past several days in connection with the suit of Texas Attorney General JOHN BEN SHEPPARD to obtain a permanent injunction to prohibit NAACP from operating in the State of Texas. He said that on Saturday, September 29, 1956, he and other NAACP attorneys were in Tyler, Texas, conferring with Attorney General SHEPPARD relative to an amicable settlement of the suit. Upon their return to Dallas on the night of September 29, 1956, MARSHALL, other NAACP attorneys and private Negro attorneys, received telephone calls from certain persons who are plaintiffs in the Federal integration suit affecting Dallas Public Schools which is to be heard before Federal Judge ATWELL, Dallas, on October 1, 1956. These plaintiffs informed that they had on the same date been required to appear before a Court of Inquiry in the office of Justice of the Peace W. E. BILL RICHBURG, Dallas.

MARSHALL stated that the Court of Inquiry instituted by Attorney General SHEPPARD, and conducted by two of SHEPPARD's assistants, had come as a complete surprise to NAACP attorneys and was in his opinion timed so that NAACP attorneys would be out of the city at the time. MARSHALL stated that the plaintiffs in the Federal suit had informed him and other attorneys that they had been intimidated, threatened with incarceration and had economic pressure exerted upon them in an effort to influence them not to prosecute the Federal suit and to influence their testimony in said suit. He said he and other NAACP attorneys had, during the day, Sunday, September 30, 1956, interviewed various plaintiffs in the Federal suit and obtained statements from them. He said the statements, while typed on that date, would await signatures of the persons involved and notarization until Monday, October 1, 1956. MARSHALL stated in response to a direct question, that these statements included full details as to the allegations of intimidation, threats and economic pressure.

Mr. MARSHALL stated that the Federal integration suit involving both Dallas Elementary and High Schools is styled "BELL versus RIPPY", No. 6165, Northern District of Texas, BELL being one of the plaintiffs and RIPPY, the President of the Dallas School Board. By way of background, he stated the original integration suit was heard before Federal Judge ATWELL and on September 15, 1955, the court ruled against the plaintiffs. On appeal, the lower court's decision was overruled and the case was reversed and remanded for new trial. MARSHALL stated that the persons, plaintiffs, who have complained as to the acts of representatives of Attorney General SHEPPARD and local officers in connection with the Court of Inquiry, are parents, grandparents or otherwise have custody of the Negro children involved in the Federal suit. MARSHALL stated while the Court of Inquiry before Judge RICHBURG purported to be in connection with Attorney General SHEPPARD's suit to outlaw NAACP in Texas, the actual purpose was to try to force the plaintiffs to say that they did not hire attorneys who signed the petition in the Federal suit, and another purpose was to intimidate the plaintiffs in an effort to get them not to pursue the Federal suit and to influence their testimony in said suit. MARSHALL stated he did not know the identities of any of the local officers involved but noted that one plaintiff had said that the officer was "dressed like a Texas Ranger" and that another plaintiff had felt the officer who came to his or her house was a local constable. MARSHALL stated he had no information

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that any persons connected with the Dallas School Board had anything to do with the matters involved in his complaint. MARS stated that Justice of the Peace RICHBURG should be able to identify all of the local officers who were involved in connect with the Court of Inquiry. MARSHALL stated that he felt it extremely significant that no questions were asked at the Court of Inquiry which had a bearing on the Attorney General's suit to outlaw NAACP but rather that all questions pertained to the Federal suit. He said he feels that the Civil Rights statutes protect plaintiffs and witnesses in a Federal suit against effort of other persons to influence their prosecution of a suit or their testimony in that connection.

MARSHALL furnished copies of the unsigned statements which he said had been obtained from the plaintiffs to the Federal suit and again stated that such statements incorporated the allegations in detail.

The following statements of [REDACTED] do not indicate these persons have been personally interviewed by representatives of Attorney General SHEPPARD before a Court of Inquiry or otherwise.

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The following article appeared on Page One, Part Three, of "The Dallas Morning News", Dallas daily newspaper, issue of Sunday, September 30, 1956:

"COURT OF INQUIRY HEARS 6 NEGROES"

"Five Deny Talking to Lawyers"

"In a surprise court of inquiry here, two assistant state attorneys general Saturday questioned six Dallas Negroes involved in the federal district suit to admit Negro children to white Dallas schools.

"And five Negroes who were listed as 'friends of the plaintiffs' - relatives of children for whom the suit was filed - denied ever having discussed the matter with any attorney or authorizing any attorney to file the suit in their name or the names of their children. b7C

[REDACTED] testimony disclosed, had first brought the matter up in separate discussions with the other witnesses at their homes. *Dallas Times*

[REDACTED] did not know how NAACP attorneys had obtained permission to use specific names in the court suit.

"The court of inquiry was held in Justice of the Peace W. E. Bill Richburg's court. Questioning of the subpoenaed witnesses was handled by Asst. State Atty. Gen. L. W. Gray assisted by Asst. State Atty. Gen. John A. Wild.

"Gray told The Dallas News that the court of inquiry was called to determine if Article 430 of the Penal Code of the State of Texas had been violated in the filing of the federal suit in September, 1955, by the NAACP. The federal case comes up in U. S. Judge William H. Atwell's court Monday morning.

"This hearing is in no way related to the federal suit," explained Gray. "We questioned the witnesses to see if there was any violation of the barratry statute which makes it a penal offense to stir up or incite litigation. Our main purpose has been to see if the parties to the suit had contacted a lawyer to represent them.

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" 'This information, 'he continued, 'will thus be available for possible use in future cases. It will be preserved for the record.' b7C

"The parties to the federal suit who were questioned in the 3 1/2-hour session were [REDACTED]

"All five parties to the federal suit testified also that they did not personally know any of the attorneys listed by Gray as the lawyers who filed the federal suit: Thurgood Marshall, [REDACTED]

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The following article appeared in "The Dallas Times Herald, Dallas daily newspaper, issue of Sunday, September 30, 1956:

**"5 NEGRO WITNESSES DENY  
AGREEING TO SCHOOL SUIT"**

"Five of six Negro witnesses Saturday testified in a hurriedly called court of inquiry that they did not have any knowledge their names were to be used in a current suit in Federal court to force integration in the Dallas Independent School District.

"The court of inquiry, held in Justice of the Peace W. E. Richburg's court, was ordered by Texas Attorney General John Ben Shepperd Saturday morning in a telephone call to Judge Richburg at 7 a.m. from Tyler.

"Witnesses were not served the subpoenas until after 10 a.m.

"One of two assistant attorneys general who handled the questioning said the court of inquiry was another legal

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step in current efforts to gather information about the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and to determine if there had been a violation of the Texas penal code which forbids 'inciting or stirring up litigation'.

"Courts of inquiry similar to the one held Saturday in Dallas have already been held in Longview, Texarkana and Mansfield, scenes of other NAACP segregation suits.

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"Assistant Attorneys Gen. L. W. Gray and John A. Wild said it would be some time before the results of the court of inquiry are made public. They did not say if other courts of inquiry would be held in Dallas.

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"Mr. Gray said the Barratry Statute makes it a penal offense to incite or stir up litigation."

Honorable HEARD L. FLOORE, United States Attorney, Northern District of Texas, upon being advised on October 1, 1956, of the details of Mr. MARSHALL's complaint and information appearing in the statements set out herein, advised that on the basis of currently available information he was of the view there was no indication of a civil rights violation and desired no investigation except upon specific instructions of the Department of Justice.

On October 1, 1956, Federal Judge WILLIAM H. ATWELL advised SAC WILLIAM A. MURPHY that hearing of the Federal suit has been postponed to November 14, 1956.

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Bureau telephone call, SA [REDACTED] 9/30/56;  
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Marshall, Special Counsel for National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, alleged that individuals who had instituted suit in Federal Court against the Dallas, Texas, School Board, had been intimidated by Texas Rangers and representatives of the Attorney General of the State of Texas, because of the suit brought in Federal Court to permit Negro children to enroll at public schools on an integrated basis. Preliminary investigation disclosed that 4 of the plaintiffs and the husband of a fifth plaintiff had been called before a Court of Inquiry at Dallas on 9/29/56 and 5 additional plaintiffs were interviewed by representatives of the Texas Attorney General Office. The other plaintiffs were neither questioned by court officials nor brought before Court of Inquiry.

Bell v. Rippy is the civil action in Federal Court brought by the plaintiffs against the Dallas School Board and hearing has been set for 11/14/56.

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<b>TITLE</b> <b>UNKNOWN SUBJECTS;</b> <b>THURGOOD MARSHALL, Complainant</b>			<b>CHARACTER OF CASE</b> <b>CIVIL RIGHTS</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Officials of Governor's Office, Attorney General's Office, State of Texas, and Texas Department of Public Safety, Austin, Texas, advised 10/2/56 of allegation of THURGOOD MARSHALL and that interview being conducted by Dallas Office with plaintiffs who were questioned by State Officials and those brought before Court of Inquiry, Dallas, 9/29/56.

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**DETAILS: AT AUSTIN, TEXAS**

On October 2, 1956, Mr. JOHN OSORIO, Administrative Assistant to Governor ALLAN SHIVERS, Governor of State of Texas, Mr. DAVID GRANT, First Assistant, Attorney General, Attorney General's Department, State of Texas, Capitol Building, and Colonel HOMER GARRISON, Director, Texas Department of Public Safety, were advised of THURGOOD MARSHALL's allegation and that interview being conducted by the Dallas Office with plaintiffs who were questioned by State Officials and those brought before Court of Inquiry at Dallas, Texas, on September 29, 1956.

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TITLE OF CASE  <b>UNKNOWN SUBJECTS, TEXAS. RANGERS; THURGOOD MARSHALL - COMPLAINANT</b>	Report made by 	Typed By: 
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THURGOOD MARSHALL, Special Counsel, NAACP, NYC., alleged certain plaintiffs in Dallas Public School integration suit, to be heard 10/1/56, NDT, Dallas, Texas "intimidated" by two State Assistant Attorneys General and unidentified assisting local officers, in effort to get them not to prosecute Federal suit and to influence testimony in said suit. MARSHALL stated Attorney General's Office instituted series of interviews with plaintiffs, all parents or guardians of Negro children involved, culminating in Court of Inquiry before Justice of Peace, Dallas, 9/29/56; stated purported purpose of Court of Inquiry was in connection with Attorney General's suit to outlaw NAACP in Texas, actual purpose to force plaintiffs to state they did not hire attorneys who signed petition in Federal suit. MARSHALL stated unidentified officers took plaintiffs, without display of state process of any type and in some instances, under threats of incarceration and economic pressure before Court of Inquiry. MARSHALL furnished copies of unsigned statements which he said contained full details of "intimidations." Examinations of statements discloses no indication three of persons have been interviewed by Attorney General's staff at any time; three interviewed prior to Court of Inquiry at their places of employment; three appeared before Court of Inquiry.

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Civil Rights Congress and Communist Party, USA, have been designated by the Attorney General pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : FBI, DIRECTOR ( )

DATE: 11/2/56

FROM : *WMP*, DALLAS (44-739)

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SUBJECT: UNSUBS; ✓  
THURGOOD MARSHALL - COMPLAINANT  
CIVIL RIGHTS

Re Bureau letter to Dallas 10-18-56.

Attached hereto are two newspaper articles appearing in the DALLAS MORNING NEWS, Dallas, Texas, under date of November 2, 1956. *4-1*

In the event other items appear in the Dallas newspapers, the Dallas Office will make them available to the Bureau.

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# Suit Plaintiff Backs Down On Statement

By JOHN MARHEK

A plaintiff in the Dallas school integration case Thursday said that a signed statement he had made in connection with the Attorney General's office barratry hearing here Sept. 28 contained falsehoods.

Theodore Dorsey, giving a court deposition to Federal Court Reporter Tom Irby, told Dallas Independent School District Atty. Andrew Thuss of the falsehoods. Thuss said Dorsey's statement made to two of Atty. Gen. John Ben Shepperd's assistants before the hearing was not sworn.

Dorsey said that he never had been in touch with a man identified as Edwin Washington (NAACP) executive secretary in Dallas) as was stated in his signed statement. Other statements he said were false included:

1. That he was not concerned whether his stepson, Albert Bennett, went to a white school or not. He said he was concerned.

2. That he made the statement of his own free will.

"I had an inferiority complex like any Negro in the South has with the situation like it is," Dorsey declared. He said he had learned later that Texas Rangers were across the street when he made the statement before the hearing held in Justice of the Peace W. E. Richburg's court.

Dorsey said he applied to the NAACP for help a week before his stepson was not admitted at Adamson High in September of 1955.

W. J. Durham, NAACP attorney, told Thuss that one plaintiff, Luenda Gipson, had decided to drop her suit against the school district. He said her action was made "due to certain events" which would be amplified in later federal court filings.

Mrs. Gipson was one of the Negroes who actually testified in the Attorney General's hearing.

Willie Mae Goldstein, another participant in that hearing, said she could not remember if she authorized anyone to file the suit. Asked by Thuss if she had not

given a sworn statement that she had not authorized it, she replied: "I just couldn't say."

She said she received no instructions to enter her daughter, Charlene, but did so "after the Supreme Court's ruling." She told Thuss she still wanted her daughter to attend Adamson, though Charlene will graduate from Lincoln High School in June, because it was nearer her home.

Louie Borders Jr. testified that he had been instructed by "a lady" at the NAACP office to enter his daughter, Hilda Ruth, at Adamson. He said he later signed a paper authorizing a filing of the suit.

Under cross examination by Durham, Borders added that he got the instructions after first telephoning the NAACP offices and asking for help.

Additional testimony Thursday came from Frankie Bush and the Rev. Paul A. Sims, other plaintiffs in behalf of Negro youths.

Thuss will continue taking depositions at 9 a.m. Friday. There are 24 plaintiffs in the case.

The depositions are being taken to shorten the actual court hearing but the testimony given becomes a permanent part of the record. The case is set for Nov. 14 before Federal Judge William Hawley Atwell.

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Dallas, Texas, 11/2/56

Felix R. McKnight,  
Managing Editor

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cc: Mr. Rosen  
Mr. Stanley

Assistant Attorney General  
William F. Tompkins  
Director, FBI

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Dallas, Texas  
SECURITY OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent [REDACTED] dated October 4, 1956, at Dallas, Texas, entitled "Unknown Subjects, Thurgood Marshall - Complainant - Civil Rights," which was forwarded to the Criminal Division on October 8, 1956. The results of an interview with [REDACTED], appeared on page thirty-five of the report. [REDACTED] is one of twenty-four plaintiffs in Bell versus Rippy, No. 6165, Northern District of Texas, a suit directed toward seeking the enrollment of minor children in the Dallas public schools, which is scheduled to be heard before United States District Court Judge William H. Atwell, Dallas, on November 16, 1956, (44-10894-16)

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In May, 1951, the Dallas Chapter of the Civil Rights Congress formed a special committee known as "The South Dallas Citizens Committee for the People" for the purpose of protesting the murder of one Ray Butler. [REDACTED] of the Committee, and a confidential informant gave address as [REDACTED] (Dallas), Texas. It was ascertained later in May, 1951, that the Committee failed to proceed with the Butler protest and was doing nothing further. The Civil Rights Congress has been designated by the Attorney General pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

During the interview with [REDACTED] on October 3, 1956, he advised he is employed [REDACTED] Dallas, Texas. [REDACTED] resides at [REDACTED] Dallas, Texas, and his wife is [REDACTED] the 1951 Dallas City Directory listed [REDACTED] wife residing at [REDACTED] Dallas.

In view of the suit pending in the U. S. District Court, Northern District of Texas, in which [REDACTED] is a plaintiff and

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Assistant Attorney General  
William F. Tompkins

October 26, 1956

which is not scheduled to be heard until November 14, 1956, your advice is requested concerning whether investigation should be instituted concerning [redacted] under Executive Order 10450.

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cc: 1 - Assistant Attorney General  
Warren Olney III

NOTE:

[redacted] is one of 24 plaintiffs who filed suit in Federal court, Dallas, Texas, against the Dallas school board to force integration in Dallas public schools. The suit is styled Bell versus Rippy. Thurgood Marshall, Special Counsel for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, complained to the Department that individuals who had instituted the above suit had been intimidated by Texas Rangers and representatives of the Attorney General of the State of Texas. It was alleged that such intimidation was caused because the plaintiffs had instituted action in Federal court. Department of Justice requested Bureau to interview plaintiffs. On interview [redacted] executed a signed statement stating [redacted]

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Synopsis: Trial of Dallas, Texas public schools integration suit postponed until 12/15/56.

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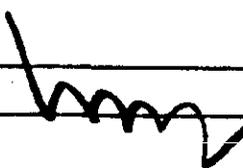
**DETAILS:**

**AT DALLAS, TEXAS**

An article in the Dallas Times Herald newspaper, issue of November 8, 1956, stated trial of the suit to force integration in the Dallas Independent School District (BELL vs. RIPPY, No. 6165, NDT), which had been scheduled for November 14, 1956, was reset for December 15, 1956, by United States District Judge WILLIAM ATWELL, at the request of counsel for the school district.

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# Ex-NAACP Aide Gives Deposition

A former assistant field secretary of the National Association for Advancement of Colored People, Edwin C. Washington, Jr., Thursday testified some statements in a "confidential" report he made were "incorrect" and others didn't mean exactly what they said.

Mr. Washington gave a deposition to Dallas School Atty. Andrew J. Thuss in the school board's attempt to show that parents of Negro children got NAACP advice on how to challenge for entry into Dallas white schools.

The suit of the Negroes for admission to Dallas white schools is scheduled for Dec. 14 before U. S. Dist. Judge William H. Aswell.

The report prepared by Mr. Washington was used by the state to bar the NAACP from Texas in a state court at Tyler. It mentioned instruction sheets given to 12 families which had agreed to try to enroll their children in Dallas.

The report said the names were secured and the sheets prepared with advice of regional counsel (of the NAACP).

The witness said, "That's not quite correct. I got no advice."

He also denied getting the names of 12 plaintiffs. He said, "That meant I contacted 12 persons to secure information necessary."

In depositions from plaintiffs taken earlier, they testified that they went to the schools in September, 1955, voluntarily and without the advice of the NAACP.

John Minton, Jr., Austin, one of the assistant state attorneys general who raided the Dallas NAACP and secured the report prepared by Washington, was scheduled to make a deposition after Washington.

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"Dallas Times Herald"  
Dallas, Texas, 11/15/56

Allen Merriam, Editor

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# NAACP Secretary Denies Soliciting School Units

Edwin C. Washington, field secretary for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, testified Thursday that he did not solicit or encourage Negro families to file suit in the Dallas school integration case.

Washington's testimony came in a deposition session in answers to questions by Atty. Andrew Thuss, representing the Dallas Independent School District.

Thuss quizzed Washington at length about a so-called "confidential report" in which the field secretary outlined his activity in the case.

Washington called several statements "incorrect" in the report, written by him, largely because he disagreed with Thuss' interpretation of the wording.

As to his statement that he solicited information from "probable plaintiffs," Washington said it was merely to get personal data for W. J. Durham, NAACP attorney. He said the families' names were already on file in the Dallas office.

Washington denied that he made second contact with the 24 families that filed suit to instruct them on how to register their children. He also said there were no information sessions for the families on "how to be good plaintiffs."

He also said he did not select the 10 schools where the Negro children tried to register in September of 1955. He said the word "selected" meant that the families selected the schools because they were nearer their homes.

Washington said that he had not chosen Dallas as an "integration test city" in Texas. He said the Rev. B. R. Riley, president of the local NAACP branch, told him that the suit would be filed.

Another witness was Asst. Atty. Gen. John H. Minton Jr. of Austin. He identified the report as one entered in evidence at Tyler (where the NAACP was temporarily enjoined from doing business in Texas.)

Minton said he came across a copy of the report while investigating the local NAACP office for possible barratry statute violations.

On cross examination, Durham queried Minton about a statement he took from Theodore Dorsey, one of the plaintiffs. (Two weeks ago Dorsey denied that he had been contacted by Washington, an admission he made in the statement.)

"You were actually trying to intimidate him, weren't you?" Durham asked.

Minton replied that he only asked Dorsey about contacts he had received prior to the suit to carry out his barratry probe as directed by Atty. Gen. John Ben Shepperd.

A hearing Nov. 19 before Federal Judge William Atwell in which NAACP attorneys sought to quash the document as evidence was canceled. Thuss said that the testimony was sufficient and he would not press the point.

Barring future court delays, the case will come to trial Dec. 14.

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Dallas, Texas, 11/16/56

Felix S. McKnight,  
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Rerep SA [redacted] 11-19-56, DL.

Item in Dallas Morning News, newspaper, issue of 12-13-56, reflects trial of Dallas, Texas, Public Schools' integration suit again postponed by FDJ ATWELL at request of NAACP attorneys to Wednesday, 12-19-56. Basis for postponement is fact that NAACP attorneys currently occupied with State suit at Tyler, Texas.

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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DATE December 19, 1956

FROM : F. L. Price

RE: Tel call 6:34 p.m.

SUBJECT: THURGOOD MARSHALL,  
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// SAC Murphy, Dallas, called to advise that Judge William Haley Atwell, today dismissed the petition which had been filed in the District Court at Dallas, Texas, in the case Bell vs. Rippey. Murphy said that Rippey is the head of the local school board. In this suit, the Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) is seeking to have the school board admit Negroes to local schools on a non-segregated basis.

We had conducted investigation at the request of the Department, results of which were furnished to the Department on 10/8/56. Marshall, special counsel for the NAACP, had originally complained to the Department that individuals who had instituted suit in Federal Court against the Dallas, Texas, School Board, had been intimidated by Texas Rangers and representatives of the Attorney General of the State of Texas. It was alleged that such intimidation was caused when such individuals instituted action in Federal Court.

ACTION:

SAC Murphy was told to advise the Bureau by teletype when further details of the Court's dismissal are known.

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cc: Mr. Nichols

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- Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

Re Dallas airtel to Bureau, 12/20/56.

There are being enclosed herewith two newspaper articles from "The Dallas Morning News", dated December 21, 1956, relative to plans by the NAACP to appeal the decision handed down by USDC, Dallas, Texas, on December 19, 1956, in the case of BELL vs. RIPPY, Civil Docket No. 6165, Northern District of Texas. Also enclosed are two copies of an editorial from "The Dallas Morning News", December 21, 1956, captioned "ATWELL on School Integration", concerning the same matter.

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# NAACP Plans Appeal Of New Court Rebuff

By SUE CONNALLY

As an attorney for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People indicated Thursday that his group will now concentrate on fighting the second dismissal of the NAACP's case against the Dallas Independent School District, School Supt. W. T. White told The News that two more of its studies on desegregation problems will be released in early spring.

The two, he said, will probably be on the "over-all impact on individual pupils" and the "social life of the children within the school" in an integrated system.

U.S. Judge William Hawley Atwell Wednesday dismissed the suit—for the second straight year—to give the Dallas system "ample" time to work out the problems of desegregation.

C. R. Bunkley Jr., an NAACP attorney, Thursday commented, "Our only plan is just appealing the case. That's the only plan we could have right now."

Bunkley, who delivered the closing argument for the NAACP during the hearing, declined to make a statement about Judge

Atwell's action. "I never comment on a judge's decision," he said.

Of the decision White earlier declared, "The court recognized the seriousness of purpose which has motivated both the Board of Education and the school administrative staff."

Thursday he said, "We shall continue to study the problems and the problems ahead are very serious and critical."

"We shall have to find a way to put into effect decrees of the Supreme Court as well as any decrees that may follow . . . to maintain a good climate for school work."

The two reports which will be made in the spring are included in the 12-point study of the problems of desegregation that were asked to be compiled by the Board of Education when it met July 14, 1955.

The two "have been studied very carefully," White said. The over-all impact on the pupils "is a most critical problem because there the child becomes an individual person."

The superintendent added that "you can't separate a child from his environment." What happens at home "affects very decidedly" See APPEAL, Page 12, Col. 1

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his accomplishment and achievement in school."

The second report, he said, will be studied not only from the "rec-reational" standpoint but also from a "broader concept of the social relationship—understanding, fellowship and good will."

The 12-point study has been a principal factor in the integration suit which was brought by the NAACP on behalf of Negro parents who tried, and failed, to enroll their children in white schools in September, 1954.

The case was first tried by Judge Atwell in September, 1955, who then ruled the case "im-mature" and allowed the Dallas system time to complete its study. The decision rendered on Sept. 15 was sent back to Atwell by the U.S. Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals at New Orleans and later by the Supreme Court for the Judge to hear on its merits. He

did not hear testimony in the first trial.

Also in his decision Wednesday Judge Atwell rebuked the Supreme Court for its famed, May, 1954, integration decision. The court, said Atwell, based its decision not on law but on "modern psychological knowledge." This knowledge, he added, "existed at the time that the now discarded doctrine of equal facilities was initiated."

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# Atwell on School Integration

FEDERAL District Judge William H. Atwell handed down Wednesday a decision which may well have jolted the Supreme Court at Washington. Yet he did it in such masterful fashion as to make it both a devastating critique of the Warren line of desegregation opinions and a literal compliance with the latest of those opinions. It should become a historic rebuke to all courts which decree the law instead of interpreting it.



ATWELL

I might suggest that if there are civil rights, there are also civil wrongs." (But if a white school child has any civil rights protected by the Constitution, the Supreme Court has not discovered them.)

The Supreme Court concedes that all tangible factors in education are equal and that there is no discrimination therein. But it bases what the court itself calls "intangible" inequality upon findings of Messrs. Clark, Witmer, Kotinsky, Deutscher, Cheln, Brameld, Frazier and Myrdal aforesaid: "Our decision, therefore, can not turn on merely a comparison of these tangible factors in the Negro and white schools involved in each such case."

Whereupon the Supreme Court puts it baldly on its ipse dixit: "We have now announced that such segregation is a denial of the equal protection of the laws."

I.  
Judge Atwell: "I believe it will be seen that the court based its decisions on no law, but rather on what the court regarded as more authoritative modern psychological knowledge than existed at the time that the now discarded doctrine" (Plessy v. Ferguson, 163 U.S. 537) "of equal facilities was initiated."

Supreme Court (May 17, 1954): "Whatever may have been the psychological knowledge at the time of Plessy v. Ferguson" (1896) "this finding" (for desegregation of schools) "is amply supported by modern authority." By footnote the court lists the "authority" on which it relies: Clark, Witmer, Kotinsky, Deutscher, Cheln, Brameld, Frazier and Myrdal—none of them authorities on law.

II.  
Were the decisions of the Warren court based on the Constitution? The Supreme Court is quite frank about it: "In the South, the movement toward free common schools, supported by general taxation, had not yet" (1868) "taken hold. Education of white children was largely in the hands of private groups. Education of Negroes was almost nonexistent, and practically all of the race was illiterate. Even in the North the conditions of public education did not approximate those existing today. . . . As a consequence, it is not surprising that there should be so little in the history of the Fourteenth Amendment relating to its intended effect on public education." (As a matter of fact there was not merely "so little," but actually nothing in that history relating to any such intent—there was no such intent and no basis then for it.)

III.  
Judge Atwell: "It seems to me, in view of the facts, that the white schools are hardly sufficient to hold the present number of white students, that it would be unthinkable and unbearably wrong to require the white students to get out so that the colored students could come in."  
"We have civil rights for all the people under the National Constitution, and

IV.  
Has Judge Atwell transgressed his judicial grade and authority in the federal system? On the contrary, his actual decision is based squarely on the Supreme Court instructions to lower courts as contained in its opinion of May 31, 1955:

"The courts may find that additional time is necessary to carry out the ruling in an effective manner. The burden rests upon the defendants to establish that such time is necessary in the public interest and is consistent with good-faith compliance at the earliest practical date. To that end, the courts may consider problems related to administration, arising from the physical condition of the school plant, the school transportation system, personnel, revision of school districts and attendance areas into compact units to achieve a system of determining admission to the public schools on a nonracial basis, and the revision of local laws and regulations which may be necessary in solving the foregoing problems."

The effect of the Atwell decision will be (1) delay, (2) renewed appeal to the Circuit Court of Appeals at New Orleans, (3) appeal from that court to the Supreme Court, (4) the right, without prejudice, for the plaintiffs to come afresh into Judge Atwell's court when conditions so justify.

Beyond that, the wider and more sweeping effect will surely be a re-examination of the power of the Supreme Court to forget established law and proclaim novel criminal law under which alleged violators are arrested on bench warrant without indictment, tried without jury and imprisoned for indeterminate sentences at the will or at the whim of a federal judge. Civil rights either are not good as against an overweening desire of the courts to run the country on the say-so of Clark, Witmer, Kotinsky, Deutscher, Cheln, Brameld, Frazier and Myrdal.

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Re report of SA [redacted] 11/19/56, at Dallas.

United States Judge WILLIAM HAWLEY ATWELL of Northern District of Texas, on December 19, 1956, after hearing arguments in the case of BELL vs. RIPPY, Civil Docket No. 6165, Northern District of Texas, dismissed without prejudice the action to force integration in the Dallas Independent School District, Dallas, Texas.

There is being enclosed herewith two newspaper articles from the Dallas daily "Times Herald", dated December 19, 1956, and two articles from "The Dallas Morning News", dated December 20, 1956, concerning the action of United States District Court in this matter.

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# Atwell Again Denies Plea for Integration

By BILL GLINES

Times Herald Staff Writer

U. S. Dist. Judge William Hawley Atwell Wednesday ruled that Dallas public schools should not be racially integrated immediately.

In so ruling, Judge Atwell found in favor of the Dallas Independent School District and against parents of 19 Negro children who originally brought the suit to gain entry to local white schools on Sept. 5, 1955.

Judge Atwell said the U. S. Supreme Court ruling ending racial segregation is not based on law, "but on modern psychological knowledge."

Judge Atwell originally refused to hear the case on grounds it was "prematurely" filed. The U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals at New Orleans remanded it to him for a full dress hearing.

## "CIVIL WRONGS"

In his decision, at the end of a trial which took all Wednesday morning, Judge Atwell said, "If there is such a thing as civil rights, there are civil wrongs. It would be unthinkable and unbearably wrong to make white students get out of Dallas schools so as to let in colored students."

He was referring to testimony earlier in the trial that immediate integration of the schools by 15 per cent of the 119,000 school-age children, representing the

Negro student population, would displace many white students.

Speaking in high emotion-packed tones, Judge Atwell referred to the Supreme Court desegregation ruling as "being based on no law, but a modern psychological knowledge."

Justice (Felix) Frankfurter warned us that we should take note of social scientists."

Atty. W. J. Durham, who represented the parents of 19 Negro children who attempted to enter Dallas white schools last year,

said he would appeal Judge Atwell's decision within 10 days.

Judge Atwell remarked that the Negro population in Dallas has competent teachers and equal school facilities. "Does the keeping apart of the two races constitute a deprivation of a constitutional right?"

## PREPARED IN ADVANCE

"There has been no complaint against the competency of colored teachers.

"The school board here, according to dictates of the Supreme Court, has studiously sought to integrate the schools. School authorities are doing their very best to comply with the ruling of the Supreme Court.

"I see nothing here to require an injunction calling for integration. The school board must be given ample time to work out its problem."

Judge Atwell spoke from a three-page typed decision, an indication that portions of the decision had been prepared before the trial.

## NEGROES TESTIFY

Six Negro parents testified during the morning concerning their attempts in September, 1955, to enroll their children in local white schools.

All testified that they tried to enroll their children in white schools near their homes and in each case were required instead to send their children to schools as much as "four or five miles" from their homes.

Rev. Paul A. Sims, 2310 South Blvd., a Methodist minister, said his daughters, Rose Sharon, a fourth grader, and Maude Lola, a third grader, were required to go "18 blocks through busy traffic" to the Charge Rice Negro School rather than to John Henry Brown School, which is only four blocks from his home.

Lois Borders, Jr., testified his daughter, Hilda, had to go "four or five miles" to a Negro high school rather than to Adamaon High School only four blocks from his Oak Cliff home.

## NEGROES BEHIND

Dr. W. T. White, superintendent of schools, was the first witness for the school board. Under questioning by Andrew J. Thus, school board attorney, Dr. White testified that white students would be displaced if Negroes were allowed to enter the white schools. He added that Negro children are 1 1/2 years behind white students at the first-grade

level and 2 1/2 years behind at the 12th grade level.

"Integration would retard the learning of whites," Dr. White said.

A deposition by Edwin C. Washington, former National Association for Advancement of Colored People field secretary for Texas, was read into the record by Atty. Thus.

The deposition pointed out that in some instances the NAACP had sought to represent the Negro children in the school case.

At the end of the reading Judge Atwell threw the testimony out, declaring, "I know that there is an injunction in state courts barring the NAACP from activity in Texas."

"That injunction does not rule my court. This court allows its clients to hire any lawyer they want to represent them."

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# U.S. Judge Bars Immediate Entry Of Negro Pupils

## '54 Ruling Criticized By Atwell

By SUE CONNALLY  
For the second time in two years U. S. Judge William Hawley Atwell ruled Wednesday that the Dallas school system may remain segregated while it continues its study of the problems of desegregation.

In his decision Judge Atwell also rebuked the United States Supreme Court for basing its famed May, 1954, integration decision not on law but on "modern psychological knowledge."

The integration suit brought against the Dallas Independent School District by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, was dismissed by Atwell, who declared:

"I . . . dismiss this suit without prejudice in order that the School Board may have ample time, as it appears to be doing, to work out this problem."

W. J. Durham, attorney for the NAACP, indicated an immediate appeal would be filed. Ten days are allowed under law to give notice of appeal of a case.

Following the hearing, which lasted about two and a half hours, Judge Atwell commented, "It should also be borne in mind that the state statute requires separate schools for colored and white students.

This suit is brought, therefore under the national civil rights of the Constitution, and not under the state statutes, as the counsel for the defendants (The Dallas school system) contends here.

"There is no question here as to the administrative procedure or administrative course that should be followed.

"We have civil rights for all people under the national Constitution, and I might suggest that if there are civil rights there are also civil wrongs.

"It seems to me, in view of the facts, that the white schools are hardly sufficient to hold the present number of white students; that it would be unthinkable and unbearably wrong to require the white students to get out so that the colored students could come in. That would be the result of integration here."

The judge pointed out that out of a school enrollment of 119,000, about 15 per cent are Negro students.

He continued, "Dallas is constantly growing, as the testimony shows, and the School Board and City Council are constantly making further expenditures to increase school facilities for each white and colored, and I see no equity here, gentlemen, which would require an injunction which would compel integration as prayed and sought at the present time."

Commenting on the Supreme Court's action Atwell declared, "I believe that it will be seen that the court based its decision on no law but rather on what the court regarded as more author-

tative, modern psychological knowledge that existed at the time that the now discarded doctrine of equal facilities was initiated.

"It will be recalled that in 1952 Mr. Justice (Felix) Frankfurter said it was not competent to take judicial notice of, quote, 'claims of social scientists,' and of quote."

In the closing argument for the NAACP, Atty. C. B. Bunkley accused the Dallas school district of not planning for future desegregation.

Bunkley recalled in September 1954 the Negroes who attempted to enroll their children in white schools were turned away.

He said, "They were denied admission solely because they were Negroes. Segregation is still the policy. The record shows that no effort at all was made to desegregate the schools."

Bunkley also recalled the earlier testimony of T. W. Browne, assistant superintendent in charge of business and secretary of the School Board, who told the court of plans to build and open a new Negro junior high school (Sequoyah Junior High School.)

He (Bunkley) then asserted, "Even in the future they plan to carry out the policy which is completely contrary to the Supreme Court's ruling."

Andrew J. Thoms, attorney for the Dallas school district, in his closing argument, said that desegregation would create "turmoil, confusion resulting in a lack of a denial of public free school education to all children."

School Supt. W. T. White, in his testimony, pointed out that results of tests given to both white and Negro students showed that Negro students in the first grade level were one and a half years behind white students in reading and were three and a half years behind white students at the high school level.

"The older the children the

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greater the gap." commented Whites.

The superintendent also indicated that to place the two races in the same classroom would be an injustice to both.

The white children "would be doing a retarded type of learning" and the Negroes would "not be prepared to do the work of white children," he said.

Thuss asked White if he (White) thought there would be enough teachers following integration and White replied, "I don't think so, Mr. Thuss."

White also brought out that half of the studies of the problems of desegregation, as ordered by the Dallas Board of Education on July 14, 1955, had been released.

Six witnesses were called by the NAACP. All were parents of the Negro children who tried to enroll in school in 1954 but were not admitted. Each testified that the school in which their children tried to enroll was closer to their homes and that the schools which they were forced to enter were much farther away from the homes.

These witnesses were the Rev. Paul A. Sims, Elmer D. Hurdle, Louis Borders Jr., Mrs. Ira Nelson, Mrs. Leo M. Smith and L. G. Elder.

Earlier testimony in the case, Judge Atwell pointed out, "shows unmistakably that competent teachers, equal school facilities, and text books, and all sorts of school paraphernalia are furnished to both the white and colored schools and pupils, and so the sole question for the determination of this court of equity is whether the keeping apart of the two races is a deprivation of any constitutional right.

There is no complaint against the colored teachers, though we might quite appropriately inquire what would become of the col-

ored teachers if and when the colored students are taken away from them.

"Is it possible or probable that the colored teachers would be hired to teach the white pupils? There is no complaint by the plaintiffs against the competency of the colored teachers nor against the impediments or physical features of the school buildings, and the school grounds, or the size."

Atwell added, "I think that the testimony shows completely that the school authorities here in charge of this Independent School District are certainly doing their very best to comply with the ruling of the Supreme Court of the United States."

Atwell's first decision was on Sept. 16, 1955, when he ruled, "I think it appropriate that this case be dismissed without prejudice to refile it at some later date."

He called the NAACP's action premature, and allowed the Dallas system time to make its study.

The U.S. Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals at New Orleans, La., and later the Supreme Court sent the case back to Judge Atwell, who in the first case did not hear testimony.

Dr. Edwin L. Rippey, president of the School Board commented following the decision. "The board is naturally pleased with the decision of the court . . . and will

continue to work in good faith with the people of Dallas of all races to the end that the interest of their children will be best served."

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**Synopsis:**

On 12/19/56, USDC, NDT, after hearing arguments in the case BELL vs. RIPPY, Civil Docket No. 6165, dismissed without prejudice the action to force integration in the Dallas, Texas, independent school district.

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**DETAILS:**

AT DALLAS, TEXAS

United States District Judge WILLIAM HAWLEY ATWELL of Northern District of Texas, on December 19, 1956, after hearing arguments in the case of BELL vs. RIPPY, Civil Docket No. 6165, Northern District of Texas, dismissed without prejudice the action to force integration in the Dallas Independent School District, Dallas, Texas.

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**Synopsis:**

Records, USDC, MDT, Dallas, Texas, examined 1-9-57, reflect notice of appeal from U. S. District Court's decision in instant matter was filed 12-31-56 in case of **BELL vs. RIPPY**, Civil Docket No. 6165, Dallas, Texas.

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**DETAILS: AT DALLAS, TEXAS:**

On January 9, 1957, the records of the U. S. District Court, Northern District of Texas, were examined in the case of **BELL vs. RIPPY**, Civil Docket No. 6165. These records reflected that on December 31, 1956, a notice of appeal from the decision of the U. S. District Court, Northern District of Texas, to the Circuit Court of Appeals was filed by Attorney U. SIMPSON TATE, attorney for the Plaintiff.

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AT DALLAS, TEXAS:

At expiration of 90 days, will check court records to ascertain whether any action taken on appeal filed 12-31-56 by plaintiff's attorney.

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**Synopsis:**

Records, USDC, NDT, reflect transcript of record sent to Circuit Court of Appeals, 1/22/57, no further action.

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**DETAILS:**

On April 2, 1957, records of the United States District Court, Northern District of Texas, Dallas, Texas, were examined with reference to the case styled BELL vs. RIPPY, Civil Number 6165. These records reflect a transcript of the record of the trial Court was forwarded to the Circuit Court of Appeals, New Orleans, Louisiana, on January 22, 1957. No further action is recorded.

United States Attorney HEARD L. FLOORE, Northern District of Texas, Fort Worth, has furnished a copy of a letter dated March 21, 1957, from Mr. FLOORE to Honorable WARREN OLNEY, III, Assistant Attorney General, which makes reference to reports submitted in this case. The final paragraph of Mr. FLOORE's letter reads:

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"In my opinion no violation of civil rights seems to have occurred. In view of the Department's memorandum to the F.B.I. dated October 16, 1956, and pertaining to this subject, I have kept this as an open matter. However, it is charged against me as a delinquency and I am, therefore, closing my file on this matter, subject to reopening the same if further evidence should hereafter disclose a violation."

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AT DALLAS, TEXAS:

At expiration of ninety days from date, will examine records of USDC, Dallas.

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Synopsis:

Records USDC, NDT, reflect  
no action to date on appeal.

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DETAILS:

On June 26, 1957, records of the U. S. District Court Northern District of Texas, Dallas, Texas, were examined with reference to the case of BELL vs. RIPPY, Civil No. 6165. It was noted that action has been recorded to date regarding the appeal pending.

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**DALLAS:** At Dallas, Texas, will, at expiration of 90 days from date, examine records USDC, Dallas.

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Re report SA [REDACTED] Dallas, 6/27/57.

Newspapers have recently carried notices that the Court of Civil Appeals has reversed the USDC, NDT, in connection with the appeal of the Dallas school integration suit, ruling against the school board.

SA [REDACTED] on 8/14/57, checked records of USDC, NDT, Dallas, and determined that the mandate of the Court of Appeals has not been forwarded as yet.

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On July 23, 1957, the U. S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit ordered and adjudged that the judgment of the District Court is reversed and the cause is remanded with directions to the District Court to enter judgment restraining and enjoining the defendants (school board) from requiring segregation of the races in any school under their supervision, from and after such time as may be necessary to make arrangements for admission of children to such schools on a racial non-discriminatory basis, with all deliberate speed as required by the decision of the Supreme Court of the United States in *Brown vs Board of Education of Topeka*, 349 US 294, and retaining jurisdiction of the cause for such further hearings and proceedings and the entry of such orders and judgments as may be necessary or appropriate to require compliance with such judgment.

On September 9, 1957, the mandate of the U. S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit was filed by the Clerk, U. S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas, at Dallas, Texas.

On September 9, 1957, Judge W. H. ATWELL, U. S. District Judge for the Northern District of Texas, at Dallas, Texas, ruled as follows: This cause came on for hearing upon the decision and order of the U. S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit, entered on July 23, 1957, its order denying petition for rehearing entered on August 27, 1957, and the record heretofore made in this cause. It is ordered, adjudged and decreed that the defendants are permanently restrained and enjoined from requiring or permitting segregation of the races in any school under their supervision, beginning and not before the mid-winter school term of 1957-58, and defendants are hereby ordered and decreed to admit plaintiffs and the members of the class that they represent to the public schools under their control on the same terms and conditions as though they were members of the white race, as required by the decision of the Supreme Court in *Brown vs Board of Education of Topeka*, 349 US 294.

This order was entered on September 9, 1957, by the Clerk, U. S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas at Dallas, Texas.

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On September 27, 1957, defendants filed an appeal to the U. S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit, from the final judgment herein, entered on September 9, 1957. On October 3, 1957, the U. S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit ordered that the application for leave to file petition for writ of mandamus be set for hearing and oral argument, along with and at the same time as the appeal, at the forthcoming session of the Court at Fort Worth, Texas, at 10:00 AM, Friday, November 22, 1957.

With reference to the petition on which ruling was entered by the Appeals Court on August 27, 1957, the denial reads as follows:

Per curiam: By petition for rehearing the appellees express their apprehension that, under the terms of an Act of the 1957 Texas Legislature approved by the Governor on the 23rd day of May, 1957, and to become effective on to wit August 23, 1957, their obedience to the order of the district court to be issued upon remand, pursuant to the directions of this court, may result in the loss to the School District of some six million dollars (\$6,000,000.00) a year of aid from the State of Texas and in the imposition by the State of penalties upon the persons carrying out such order. That Act, of course, cannot operate to relieve the members of this Court of their sworn duty to support the Constitution of the United States, the same duty which rests upon the members of the several State Legislatures and all executive and judicial officers of the several states. We cannot assume that that solemn sworn duty will be breached by any officer, State or Federal. If, however, it should be, then the Board of Trustees of the School District and the persons carrying out the order to be issued by the district court, are not without their legal remedies. The petition for rehearing is denied.

This order filed at Dallas, Texas, by Clerk, U. S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas, September 9, 1957.

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Reporting Office <b>Dallas</b>	Office of Origin <b>DALLAS</b>	Date <b>11/7/57</b>	Investigative Period <b>8/14;9/5;11/6/57</b>
TITLE OF CASE <b>UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; THURGOOD MARSHALL - COMPLAINANT</b>		Report made by 	Typed By 
		CHARACTER OF CASE <b>CIVIL RIGHTS</b> <i>b7c</i>	

**Synopsis:**

On 7/23/57 US S. Court of Appeals, Fifth Circuit, reversed USDC, NDT, and remanded cause to lower court with directions judgment be entered requiring integration in Dallas Independent School District. On 9/9/57 USDC, NDT, ordered integration to begin with mid-winter school term, 1957-58. Defendants (school board) have filed application for leave to file petition for writ of mandamus, hearing scheduled for 11/22/57.

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**DETAILS:**

At Dallas, Texas:

The following investigation was conducted by SA

On November 6, 1957, the records of the Clerk, U. S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas at Dallas, Texas, were checked and reflected the following with respect to BELL vs. RIPPY, Civil 6165:

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (44-10894)

DATE: 11/7/57

FROM : SA [REDACTED], DALLAS (44-739)

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS;  
THURGOOD MARSHALL - COMPLAINANT  
CIVIL RIGHTS.

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Enclosed are two copies of the report of SA [REDACTED] Dallas, 11/7/57.

### ADMINISTRATIVE

This file will remain in pending inactive status in order that records of the U. S. District Court may be checked to determine the action of the U. S. Court of Appeals in connection with a hearing scheduled for November 22, 1957.

### REFERENCES

Report of SA [REDACTED] Dallas, 6/27/57.  
Dallas letter to Bureau, 8/16/57.

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (44-10894)

DATE: 1/31/58

FROM : *JW* [REDACTED] DALLAS (44-739)

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SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS;  
THURGOOD MARSHALL - COMPLAINANT  
CIVIL RIGHTS

(Dallas - 00)

Re report of SA [REDACTED] 11/7/57, at Dallas.

It should be noted that the Dallas Office has been reporting the status of the integration suit concerning the Dallas, Texas, public schools in this case.

UACB, in the future the Dallas Office will report the activities in this law suit in the case entitled "Racial Situation, Dallas, Texas", Bufile 62-101087-46.

This case is being placed in a closed status.

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**INTEGRATION IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
IN DALLAS, TEXAS  
CIVIL RIGHTS**

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Reurlet 1/31/58 captioned, "Unknown Subjects;  
Thurgood Marshall - Complainant, Civil Rights."

Your file 44-739 entitled as per reference,  
should be reopened and hereafter carried under the  
caption as this communication.

You are instructed to follow all developments  
concerning integration in Dallas public schools. All  
news articles should be forwarded by FD-4, Attention:  
Investigative Division. All court actions should be closely  
followed and copies of all actions obtained and promptly  
transmitted to the Bureau.

All purely racial matters should continue  
to be reported under the "Racial Situation, Dallas,  
Texas," caption. However, information concerning the  
activities of the Citizens Councils and the Ku Klux Klan  
appearing in the press and received through informants  
aimed at preventing integration in public schools in Dallas  
should also be reported under "Integration in Public Schools  
in Dallas, Texas, Civil Rights."

You should continue to forward all news articles  
pertaining to integration in Texas generally under the  
caption, "Segregation in Public Schools, State of Texas,  
Civil Rights," Bureau file 62-101087-46. The news articles  
can also be forwarded to Bureau by FD-4, which will  
facilitate handling at the Bureau.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (62-101087-46)  
FROM: SAC, DALLAS (100-4126)

DATE: 1/21/58  
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SUBJECT: RACIAL SITUATION  
DALLAS, TEXAS

ReBulet, 1/2/58. TH. MARSHALL

Enclosed for the Bureau are copies of the pertinent court decisions concerning the Dallas schools, which might have a bearing on possible contempt of court violations.

The above mentioned copies were furnished by [redacted] Deputy Clerk, United States District Court, NDT, on 1/14/58.

Also enclosed for the Bureau are seven copies of ~~NOT RECORDED~~ memorandum suitable for dissemination, concerning [redacted] of the NAACP, Dallas, Texas, [redacted] branch, and [redacted] who was reportedly a member of the Communist Party. It should be noted that the profile on [redacted] This letter-head memorandum also contains information concerning [redacted] of the NAACP, Dallas, Texas, branch, and her association with [redacted] and [redacted]

It should be noted that both [redacted] in the Security Index of the Dallas Office, and [redacted] is carried as a Key Figure of the Dallas Office. Informants have advised that neither of the [redacted] are currently active in the Communist Party at this time, however.

In view of the fact that the information concerning possible violence on the part of the KKK and the Citizens Councils was furnished to the Bureau in form suitable for dissemination, the Dallas Office will not set this information forth at this

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time. It should be noted that the report of SA [redacted] 12/17/57, at Dallas, captioned U. S. KLANS, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc. (Texas), was disseminated to local intelligence agencies of the armed forces. However, the letterhead memorandum dated 12/19/57, captioned Citizens Councils, Dallas Division, was not disseminated to the local intelligence agencies.

The Bureau is requested to advise if it desires that copies of this letterhead memorandum be so disseminated, and if such future memoranda concerning the Citizens Councils should be disseminated to the local intelligence agencies.

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The enclosed letterhead memorandum is stamped confidential inasmuch as it contains information the unauthorized disclosure of which could be prejudicial to the defense interests of the country.

Careful consideration has been given each source concealed in the enclosed memorandum, and "T" symbols are utilized only in those instances where the identities of the sources must be concealed.

It should be noted the Dallas Office furnished the best characterization of [redacted] which was available to the Dallas Office; however, a review of Bufile [redacted] may reflect a more up-to-date characterization of [redacted].

In view of the fact that [redacted] is no longer [redacted] of the NAACP, no attempts were made to establish the relationship between [redacted] except through established sources.

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