

Dear Greg, Jun 14 1961  
 You certainly are putting a shine on me y  
 nasty kid!

Well I hope you + Dianne had a pleasant  
 times + New Years.

I am outside the walls now at a med. +  
 minimum Security Compound call Rother Hall wh  
 it is more pleasant peaceful + warmer. of cour  
 I am cooking, + I am getting better all the tim

Would write to Marty, but he never answe  
 my letters, + it getting so that you dont either.  
 this is about the fifth letter with no reply.  
 Write me + give me some good news to che  
 me up!

I see the Board in 3 + 1/2 months. Do Mart  
 going to see them or write them like he  
 promised? I sure hope so! I guess I'll be  
 going back to Calif. to see the Board.

I've received a few letters from Hainston  
 since I last wrote you. I also received a  
 phone call from Wash. from Chris Holde the  
 atty. for the Pepper Committee, also received  
 a couple letters from Roy Bebell, but none  
 from b ph. Evans!

Coyle is hard casing me, + he ant even  
 a old war horse no more he is a plug, a  
 + + +



WISH TO CORRESPOND X CORRESPONDENCE & VISITING  
DO NOT WISH TO CORRESPOND \_\_\_\_\_ QUESTIONNAIRE (CONFIDENTIAL)

MY NAME:  
MR. Edward F. Harrington DATE OF BIRTH 9/16/33 AGE 39  
MRS. \_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF BIRTH \_\_\_\_\_ AGE \_\_\_\_\_  
MISS \_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF BIRTH \_\_\_\_\_ AGE \_\_\_\_\_

MY ADDRESS: 1703 John W. McCormack Building, Boston, Massachusetts 02109

GIVE THE NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF TWO PERSONS (NOT RELATIVES OR EMPLOYERS) WHO HAVE KNOWLEDGE OF YOUR CHARACTER:  
1) John Kehoe, 1010 Commonwealth Avenue, Boston, Massachusetts 02215

2) Garrett Byrne, District Attorney of Suffolk County, Pemberton Square, Boston, Mass.

RELATIONSHIP TO INMATE: (MOTHER, FATHER, WIFE, FRIEND, ETC.) Federal Govt Attorney  
PLEASE CIRCLE ONE (MARRIED) - SINGLE - SEPARATED - DIVORCED - WIDOWED - ETC.  
HOW LONG HAVE YOU KNOWN THE INMATE? Six Years  
I WRITE OR VISIT ANOTHER INMATE: YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO X NAME \_\_\_\_\_

HAVE YOU EVER BEEN ARRESTED OR CONVICTED: YES - MR. \_\_\_\_\_ MRS. \_\_\_\_\_ MISS \_\_\_\_\_  
NO X MR. \_\_\_\_\_ MRS. \_\_\_\_\_ MISS \_\_\_\_\_

IF THE ANSWER IS YES, GIVE FULL DETAILS OF THE OFFENSE APPROXIMATE DATE, DISPOSITION: JAIL, FINE, ETC  
Not Applicable

(Use additional paper if necessary)

I AM NOW ON PROBATION OR PAROLE: YES - MR. \_\_\_\_\_ MRS. \_\_\_\_\_ MISS \_\_\_\_\_  
NO X MR. \_\_\_\_\_ MRS. \_\_\_\_\_ MISS \_\_\_\_\_  
IF YOUR ANSWER IS YES, FROM WHERE ARE YOU ON PROBATION OR PAROLE  
Not Applicable

MY OCCUPATION OR BUSINESS Federal Government Attorney

MY EMPLOYER OR NAME OF BUSINESS Criminal Division, United States Dept. of Justice

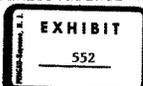
ADDRESS OF EMPLOYER OR BUSINESS Washington, D. C. 20530

AD CAREFULLY: IF YOU ARE A MARRIED PERSON BOTH SIGNATURES ARE REQUIRED. PLEASE SIGN YOUR NAME IN THE DESIGNATED SPACE PROVIDED. PERSONS UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE MUST HAVE SIGNATURE OF THEIR PARENT OR GUARDIAN; ALSO YOU CANNOT VISIT UNLESS ACCOMPANIED BY AN APPROVED ADULT.

FE Feb 1, 1973 MR. Edward F. Harrington  
FE Feb 1, 1973 MRS. Ellen M. Harrington  
FE \_\_\_\_\_ MISS \_\_\_\_\_  
FE \_\_\_\_\_ GUARDIAN \_\_\_\_\_

NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE.

) DISAPPROVED ( ) CORRESPONDENCE ONLY ( X ) CORRESPONDENCE & VISITING  
FE Feb 7, 73 BY: John R. Lucey



Having some difficulty with the Book. I look like I'll have to get another writer. Do you know anyone who'll want to ghost write it for 5%. Double Day & Ny. is screaming for it & 2 movie companies want it. Estimated at over a \$1,000,000 & better than the Godfat

Come on Shy, please write me a letter & tell me a little of what's happening! I am getting pretty & more tense the closer I get to seeing the Board. Give my love to Diane, Mandy & the rest of the office.

ok has there been about 10 murders in Walpole lately!

Hope to hear from you soon. Until then, better day.

Mr. Greg Evans  
50. Knolls Lane  
Santa Rosa California

95404

Joe B.  
Joseph B. Bentley

EFH:ded

January 19, 1973

Mr. Joseph Bentley  
 MPS No. B38509  
 Montana State Prison  
 Deer Lodge, Montana 59722

Dear Joe:

I will be glad to help [redacted] in her preparation of your book to the degree possible.

Please find enclosed a portion of the government's brief filed in the Patriarca case in the United States Court of Appeals for the First Circuit which states in summary fashion the facts testified to at trial. This document should provide an overall view of the testimony introduced at trial. After [redacted] examines this document, we will provide certain portions of the transcript of the testimony which might be necessary to fill out the narrative provided here.

I will ask John Doyle with regard to the 150 photographs you require and suggest that you also communicate with John directly. Here follows some information which might be valuable to you in the preparation of your book:

10/31/61	Bernard McLaughlin	Charlestown
7/7/62	George Joynt	Medford
3/15/64	William J. Sheridan	Roxbury
5/4/64	Francis R. Benjamin	South Boston
5/12/64	Russell C. Nicholson	Wilmington
7/23/64	Faul J. Collicci	Quincy
7/23/64	Vincent A. Bisesi	Quincy
8/20/64	Wilfred J. Delaney	Boston Harbor
8/30/64	Harold R. Hannon	Boston Harbor
9/3/64	Leo J. Lowry	Pembroke
9/4/64	Ronald P. Dermody	Watertown
9/26/64	Carlton Eaton	Malden
10/10/64	Robert S. Charibois	Roxbury
10/17/64	Anthony Saccone	Everett



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11/10/64	Mrs. Margaret Sylvester	Boston
11/13/64	William J. Treasnie	South End
11/24/64	Edward P. Huber	Ringham
12/16/64	George O'Brien	South Boston
12/28/64	George E. Ash	South End
1/10/65	John F. Murray	Dorchester
1/15/64	Robert J. Rasmussen	Wilmington
1/23/65	Henry F. Reddington	Weymouth
1/26/65	Joseph Francione	Revere
3/2/65	John Barbieri	Rehoboth
3/12/65	Edward Deegan	Chelsea
4/12/65	Peter A. Cassetta	Maynard
5/20/65	William Fergani	Tyngsboro
7/9/65	Joseph Romeo Martin	Revere
7/10/65	Edward L. Crowell	Burlington
8/21/65	Wady David	South End
10/20/65	Edward J. McLaughlin	West Roxbury
10/29/65	James J. McLean	Somerville
11/15/65	Robert T. Palladino	North End
11/15/65	Raymond DiStasio	Revere
11/15/65	John E. O'Neil	Revere
4/25/66	David Sidisuskas	Quincy
4/26/66	Anthony Verania	Milton
5/66	Cornelius Hughes	Revere
6/16/66	Rocco DiSeglio	Topshfield
9/23/66	Stephen Hughes	Middleton
9/23/66	Samuel O. Lindenbaum	Middleton
9/28/66	John W. Jackson	Back Bay
11/15/66	Arthur C. Bratsos	South Boston
11/15/66	Thomas DePrisco	South Boston
12/7/66	Joseph Amico	Revere
1/15/67	William L. O'Brien	Stoughton
3/19/67	John Locke	Revere
6/26/67	Richard Casuarata	Charlton
12/28/67	William Bennett	Dorchester
2/2/67	Andrew Von Etter	Medford
12/31/67	J. Richard Grasso	Brookline
4/18/67	Joseph Lanzl	Medford

Missing: Edward Bennett  
Walter Bennett  
Thomas Timmons  
Anthony Sasso  
Rubin Needel

I filled out the questionnaire a few months ago and returned it to the prison. If it is not in the prison's records, please send me another one and I will fill it out again and promptly return it.

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I will make a call to Coyle to determine the feasibility of your being returned to the State of California.

Have [REDACTED] call me after she has an opportunity to review the Patriarch's brief.

Sincerely,

Ted Harrington

Enclosures

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bookmakers. This case was predicated upon information from SA CONNOLLY's source and of the [redacted] informants utilized to obtain Title III coverage all [redacted] were assigned to SA CONNOLLY. B

The aforementioned accomplishments are considered significant contributions not only to the C-3 Squad but to the Division's overall OC program. All of the above was brought to the attention of SSA JAMES A. RING, C-3, who advised SA CONNOLLY was rated superior in that he has not opened any new informants since the last inspection. Although that may be the case, I still consider the contributions made by SA CONNOLLY as crucial to the overall OC program and substantial in terms of results achieved.

It is recognized that other Agents have made substantial contributions in the "BOSTAR" and "JUNGLE MIST" investigations and other significant investigations on this squad. If recommendations for incentive awards for these Agents are submitted, the SAC should consider including SA CONNOLLY for his efforts in the operations of his informants.

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## NEWS

Connolly's links to crime figures go back decades  
Jose Martinez

It all started with an ice cream.

The story goes something like this: Little John Connolly and a group of his buddies walk into a corner drug store in Southie and one of the boys spot the neighborhood tough - Jimmy Bulger.

The older boy offers the kids a round of ice creams but 7-year-old Connolly declines. He can't take anything from strangers. Bulger lifts the boy onto the counter, says he's no stranger since both their parents are from Ireland and asks Connolly again what flavor he would like.

Connolly picked vanilla.

Yesterday, a half century after the meeting at that soda fountain, a 59-year-old Connolly stood alone in U.S. District Court to plead innocent to five counts in an indictment naming him along with Bulger and Stephen Flemmi - two gangsters the former FBI agent cultivated as informants in the '70s.

Connolly was freed on \$200,000 unsecured bond and returned to his Lynnfield home and his wife and three boys - a 10-year-old and 8-year-old twins. He left the FBI after 22 years of decorated service in 1990 and has since worked for Boston Edison as a lobbyist.

Born Aug. 1, 1940, Connolly grew up around South Boston's Old Harbor tenements, where he was weaned on stories of the Bulger brothers, who both would play major roles in his life.

Billy Bulger, who was six years older than Connolly, landed him a job as an L Street lifeguard and urged him on to Boston College, where he earned his bachelor's degree. Connolly eventually received his master's from the John F. Kennedy School of Government.

He joined the Federal Bureau of Investigations in November 1968 and initially worked in New York City.

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Connolly won a transfer to Boston in February 1973, months after arresting in Manhattan fugitive Boston mobster Francis Salemme, who was on the run from an attempted murder indictment.

Two years later, Connolly had a fateful meeting with the Bulger other agents called Whitey, Southie's underworld boss.

They met at Wollaston Beach in October 1973. According to Boston Magazine, Connolly told Whitey Bulger his organization was in danger from his Italian competition across town, that they planned to set him up through contacts in the police department.

"Look it, they're using their friends in law enforcement against you," Connolly told Bulger. "So why don't you do the same to them - use your friends in law enforcement?"

Two weeks later, again at the Quincy beach, Connolly got his answer. "All right," Bulger told him, "deal me in. If they want to play checkers, we'll play chess."

But Bulger's cooperation carried a price - he wanted to be considered a consultant, not an informant, and his brother the politician could never know.

Connolly agreed and so began an association that led to hundreds of meetings over the next 15 years, during which the Boston office of the FBI put dozens of members of La Cosa Nostra behind bars - including North End boss Gennaro Angiulo and his three brothers.

All the while, Connolly kept his promise to Whitey to keep then-Senate President William Bulger in the dark. Connolly considered the politician his friend and regularly introduced him to other agents and his bosses.

"I have known Billy Bulger since I was 8 or 9 years old," Connolly told the Herald in May 1998.

But Connolly never told Billy Bulger, now president of the University of Massachusetts, that his gangster brother also was an FBI informant.

"We had an agreement early on - at James Bulger's insistence - that his brother never know that he had a business relationship with the FBI," Connolly said. "Billy Bulger had his world and Whitey Bulger had his and the two never crossed. And Whitey wanted it that

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City Metropolitan Area; Massachusetts (NY NME US USE NYC MA)

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EFH:ded

February 27, 1973

Mr. Joseph Bentley  
MPS No. B38509  
Montana State Prison  
Deer Lodge, Montana 59722

Dear Joe:

I just wanted to let you know that I will be leaving my present job at the end of March. Please give me the name of the individual or individuals on the California Parole Board to whom I should write regarding your parole prior to my resignation being effective. You are free to advise the Parole Board that, notwithstanding the fact that I will be in private practice in May, I will be available to testify on your behalf if they deem it appropriate.

Even though I am going to be in private practice, do not hesitate to ask me for my assistance to aid you in obtaining a better life in the future.

Sincerely,

TED HARRINGTON

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*file  
Bacon*

1149 Diamond Street  
San Francisco, Calif. 94114

March 15, 1973

Ted Harrington, Esq.  
Organized Crime & Racketeering  
Section  
1703 John W. McCormack  
Federal Building  
Boston, Massachusetts 02109

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MAR 19 1973  
JUSTICE BUILDING

Dear Ted:

Have been trying to get a letter off to you for a couple of days, at Joe's request, but have been too busy at work.

Good luck on your plans for the future. Hope it works out very well for you. Joe wants to know if you are going with the law firm of Louison & Louison (sp) of Brockton?

I do not know who to tell you to write to on the Parole Board regarding Joe's appearance. Nobody seems to know anything except a man by the name of Rubin E. Coyle of the Department of Corrections in Sacramento. He wrote Joe a recent letter, which Joe sent me, stating in essence that Joe's attorney will not be allowed to appear before the Board and, I suppose, that includes any potential witnesses. However, this morning I had a long talk with Greg Evans of the Public Defender's Office in Santa Rosa and he told me that he was going to call Mr. Coyle and find out if witnesses could ~~not~~ appear. I don't know if you are in contact with Greg at all, but if you are, I'm sure he can answer a lot of questions on this. If you want to call him the number is 707-527-2791.

On March 8th, Joe had a visit from a Bill Terry of the FBI who questioned Joe about the stocks and bonds. After a long conversation, he was asked that should a trial come up concerning the bonds, would Joe testify. Joe had told him he would have to check with you. Mr. Terry is supposed to have someone get in contact with Marteen Miller and, I suppose, you. That's all I know, but Joe asked I tell you.

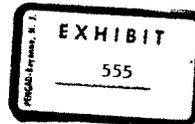
Also, now that you will be in private practice, will you handle any necessary contracts for Joe's book, if we get it going? He would like you to very much, if you can.

An absolute madhouse here, so must go.

Best,

*Mary*

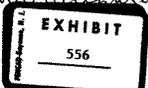
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November 18, 1950

1 de Grey,

Coyle, is back from his accident & he wrote me a letter. He said that Marty would not be able to appear before the Board in my behalf, it sure shattered my spirits for I sure was counting on Marty's appearance, eloquence & style before the board! Ed Harrington wants to appear for me also, & sure am crushed over it! A detailed & full report will be accepted & the Board will read that & of course will be unanimously received & helpful! All the letters I can get on my behalf have a good effect on my case. I hope you'll write a letter for me too. The F.B.I. was here to see me on the stocks & bonds, I referred them to you & Marty, also the exact transcript. Sure is quite a story developed behind these stocks. Every indication is they are almost ready to go to court on them. If the Board turns me down of course I want to open my case up & get to trial as soon as possible. Have a few additional tidbits to throw in that case that wasn't entered during the original trial. There is also a Washington D.C. report in the files concerning an investigation made on Grayway.



Did you read the Board for my Teresa? From

what I understand he said alot of things about me. Yet he cant back me up + the are all lies.

Fred W. is leaving the Dept at the end of this month. That's another set back for me when I see the Board.

Coyle said he wont send me back to Calif. until I am ready to see the Parol Board in May.

Just now received a letter from [redacted] + she told me she spoke to you. She didnt say what about but was happy over her talk with you.

You know, they, I am depressed with Coyle. Before when he use to make crude remarks + threatened me, I use to laugh because I figure he liked me. But I dont. Unkrate, likes me + his ~~own~~ remarks are not funny no more.

Have my best love to Dianne + Marty. I will see you in two months in Calif. It is top +

with all respect at what I am told. I am sure  
I will see you in two months in Calif. It is top +  
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Sincerely  
Joe B.  
Joseph Bentley

RFH:ded

March 20, 1973

Board of Parole  
State of California  
Sacramento, California

Re: Joseph Bentley

Dear Sir:

This is to bring to the attention of the Board of Parole of the State of California the cooperation which Joseph Bentley, also known as Joseph Baron, has extended to the United States Government. Bentley was the chief federal government witness in the prosecution which resulted in the conviction of Raymond L. Patriarca, "boss" of the New England Cosa Nostra Family, his "underboss" Henry Tameleo, and underworld enforcer Ronald Cassesso, for the offense of traveling in interstate commerce to commit a crime of violence to further an illegal gambling enterprise. He was also the chief State of Massachusetts witness in the Boston gangland murder trial of Edward Deegan, a loanshark, which resulted in the conviction for first-degree murder of six major underworld figures including Peter Limone, who was the "underboss" to Gennaro Angiulo, Cosa Nostra boss in Boston, Massachusetts, syndicate enforcers Louis Grieco, Joseph Silvati and Roy French, as well as Henry Tameleo and Ronald Cassesso. The conviction of Patriarca is considered by knowledgeable law enforcement officials to have been the most important organized crime case in the history of New England law enforcement.

Government witnesses John J. "Red" Kelley, alleged mastermind of the Plymouth mail robbery, and Vincent C. Teresa, who were developed by the United States subsequent to Bentley and whose testimony resulted in the conviction of many major syndicate leaders in the New England area have advised that one of the reasons that they decided to cooperate with the federal government was on account of the fact that Bentley had first broken the syndicate's "code of silence" and had survived the underworld's reprisal. Bentley's defection from the organized underworld and his decision to become a government witness against his former associates constitutes the single most important factor in the success of the federal government's campaign against organized crime in the New England area.



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Bentley's significant contribution to law enforcement as the pivotal figure in the government's effort to combat organized crime should be weighed when his eligibility for parole is considered.

Very truly yours,

EDWARD F. HARRINGTON  
Attorney in Charge



I'di they  
 Sure can't get [redacted] city, you, + Ted H. no  
 being able to appear before the Board for me  
 I am not able to express the points of my case  
 like Murty can, I am not able to bring out what  
 your investigation revealed + then what I say about  
 the case isn't as effective or believable as what  
 you, Murty, + Ted H. would say. Tell me this:  
 when a foreigner, a Mexican, a recidivist, a  
 dummy, but or like likes of an uneducated person  
 not able to express himself well goes before  
 the Board, is that fair? What is wrong in  
 having educated people, reputable ~~people~~ people  
 etc, etc appear before the Board in a person's  
 behalf. Shouldn't the Board want to render  
 a clear + fair decision! Colonel Stone, promises  
 to write a letter for me to the Board, do you  
 think you can ask Ted H. to speak to the  
 Colonel about it. Roy Bedell of the Pepper  
 Committee said he was going to write a  
 letter for me to the Board + also submit  
 his investigative findings + report concerning  
 Haraway + especially long talks he personally  
 had with Haraway. I am more nervous  
 than I was going to a trial, I never should  
 have a one up fighting that case. If I have

to fight it again, I'll never give in again! I  
 sure want to make the Paule. I sure  
 hope I did the right thing waiting to see the  
 Board before I opened up my case. All  
 these months I hope were not in vain.  
 I sure am a nervous wreck waiting for  
 may. Coffey said "I am my own worst  
 enemy!" That sure made me go on a  
 sad trip. What to hell does he know!?  
 Well I've never had a bad report lodge  
 against me in all this time. I've tried  
 to do my best so as to help the people  
 who want to help me. I got a lot of shit  
 along the way but you'll never know.  
 I sure am counting on you they because  
 I place more trust & faith in you than  
 all the rest!

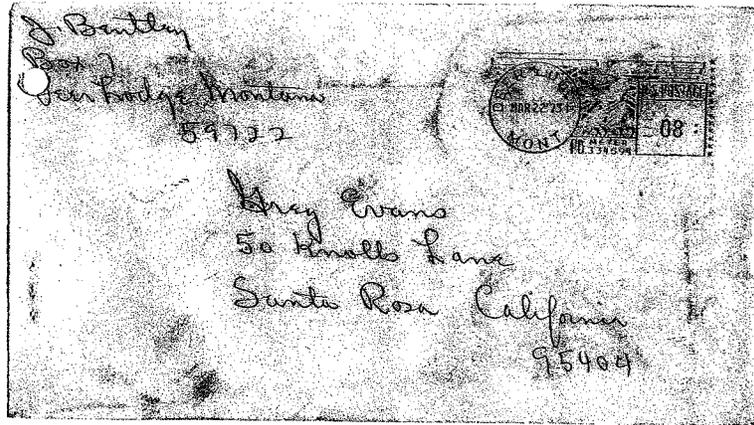
My best to Dianne

Sincerely

Joe B

Joseph Bentley

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EFH:ded

March 28, 1973

Mr. Joseph Bentley  
MPS No. B38509  
Montana State Prison  
Deer Lodge, Montana 59722

Dear Joe:

I have written to the California Board of Parole advising them of your contribution to the federal effort against organized crime and asking the Board to take it into consideration when deciding whether to grant you parole. I also advised the Board that I would be willing to testify, if appropriate, as to the contents of my letter written in your behalf.

Because it would constitute a conflict of interest under federal law, I will be unable to be your attorney with respect to negotiations over your book; but be assured that I will do what I can to aid you in getting your book published. I am in the process of speaking with all those whom you requested in order that they might also send letters to the Parole Board in your behalf.

I will not have a permanent office until the first of May, so you can forward your letters to me in care of the Strike Force until I am settled in a permanent office.

Sincerely,

TED HARRINGTON



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DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS  
CALIFORNIA STATE PRISON AT FOLSOM  
REPRESA, CALIFORNIA 95671



April 16, 1973

*Mr. You Boudie  
Please take  
care of this  
AWC*

RECEIVED  
APR 16 1973  
MONTANA STATE  
PRISON

Roger W. Crist, Warden  
Montana State Prison  
Box 7  
Deer Lodge, Montana

4-16-73

BENTLEY, Joseph  
38509

Dear Sir;

The above-named is presently incarcerated in your institution pursuant to Western Interstate Compact. On March 13, 1973, I requested a progress report as Mr. Bentley's case is scheduled for review by the California Adult Authority sometime during the week of April 30, 1973.

To date we have not received a report for presentation and any consideration that can be given my request would be appreciated.

Very truly yours,

WALTER E. CRAVEN, Warden

*Alice A. Darr*  
Alice A. Darr  
Records Officer I

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA

RONALD REAGAN, Governor

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS  
CALIFORNIA STATE PRISON AT FOLSOM  
REPRESA, CALIFORNIA 95671



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Care of this  
AWC*

April 16, 1973

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