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ISADORE KAPLAN, 1541 South Beverly Drive, advised that he and his wife, SYLVIA, were employed by the "San Francisco Call Bulletin" as solicitors, from about 1933 to 1938. He stated that JACK RUBY and his sister, EVA GRANT, were also employed as solicitors by the "San Francisco Call Bulletin" for a short while, and their work was managed by him.

Mr. KAPLAN stated that RUBY came to San Francisco from Chicago. He stated that he believes he, KAPLAN, had other solicitors under his management who had come to San Francisco from Chicago, and it was probably through one of these people that RUBY became known to him.

Mr. KAPLAN stated that his wife, SYLVIA, has never met JACK RUBY, as they were not solicitors at the same time. He stated that he had not seen RUBY nor has he heard from him since that time. He stated that EVA GRANT was in Los Angeles, about four years ago, and visited with them for a few days.

Mr. KAPLAN stated that LEE HARVEY OSWALD was unknown to his wife and him.

PAUL J. DORFMAN, 1221 North LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois, advised as follows:

DORFMAN had never known JACK L. RUBENSTEIN by the name JACK RUBY. His first knowledge that JACK RUBY had changed his name from RUBENSTEIN to RUBY was when he was so advised by IRV KUPCINET, Chicago Sun Times columnist, who telephoned DORFMAN in Palm Springs, California. DORFMAN was amazed when he was told by KUPCINET that it was RUBY who had killed LEE OSWALD. DORFMAN had seen the shooting of OSWALD on television but did not recognize RUBY as the RUBENSTEIN whom he had known.

DORFMAN has never considered RUBY as a friend or associate because he, DORFMAN, who is 62 years of age, was probably 12 or more years older than RUBY. He first knew RUBY as a "neighborhood kid" who lived with his parents on Chicago's West Side, somewhere on Independence Boulevard. DORFMAN could not recall the name of any school RUBY may have attended nor the name of his parents, other than their last name was RUBENSTEIN. DORFMAN could recall no names of RUBY's associates, relatives, employments or neighbors. DORFMAN has not seen RUBY since about 1940, except maybe "a couple of times" when he had seen him on the street. The last time he saw RUBY was about 15 years ago and he only learned through RUBY's brother, that RUBY had gone to Dallas, Texas, and was running a cabaret.

About 1940, RUBY was working as an organizer for the Chicago Waste Material Handlers Union. He had been originally employed by JACK MARTIN who was then president of the union. DORFMAN does not know MARTIN's present whereabouts, but MARTIN used to work for the Chicago Sanitary District.

To DORFMAN's knowledge, RUBY was never a salaried employee of the union but probably drew some expense money from collected dues. RUBY was not a successful organizer and finally voluntarily left his employment with the union in 1940, about two months after DORFMAN was appointed to run it. RUBY probably left this employment because he was not making

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any money. There was only about \$,000 in the treasury when DORFMAN "took over". DORFMAN even had to take \$15 out of his own pocket to pay the salary of a female employee, whose name he cannot recall.

DORFMAN considered RUBY to be an emotional type of person who was either easily excitable or not capable of dealing with people. As an example, when RUBY was with the union, he would become personally concerned and involved with complainants to a degree that he became very excited over matters which did not appear to be important.

The only other persons who may have known RUBY in the union were JOE BRIGGLE (Ph) and HARRY O'REILLY (Ph), both now deceased who were Regional Directors of the Union.

DORFMAN was appointed by BRIGGLE in about 1940 to head the Union. This occurred after an argument between MARTIN, who was president of the Union and his organizer LEON COOKE, which resulted in MARTIN shooting COOKE, who subsequently died. According to DORFMAN, COOKE was a man about 25 years younger than MARTIN, and when COOKE assaulted MARTIN, MARTIN shot him in self-defense. MARTIN was tried in a Chicago Court and was found not guilty because the shooting was in self-defense.



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January 27, 1964

J. Lee Rankin, Esq.  
General Counsel  
President's Commission on the  
Assassination of President Kennedy  
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Dear Mr. Rankin:

It is our understanding that the Commission is seeking from the files of the various federal agencies any information that might possibly concern the particular individuals involved in the investigation. We attach a report from the Copyright Office.

Our statement is contained in the form of two certified documents. We have found a single item, a registration of a claim to copyright made in 1942 for a work entitled REMEMBER PEARL HARBOR in the name of a Jack Rubenstein, doing business as Liberty Distributing Co., 328 So. Jefferson, Chicago, Illinois. We have no way of identifying this name more closely, but it is possible that there is a relationship.

Unfortunately, the copies of the work that were deposited in this Office for registration purposes were transferred a number of years ago to the Library of Congress, and are no longer available, having apparently been discarded, as is permitted by law. Our files disclose no other entries that seem connected with the two persons in question, either under their real names or under the other names mentioned in the search report.

If we may be of further help, please let us know.

Sincerely yours,

Abraham L. Kaminstein  
Register of Copyrights

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