Dear Mr. Greenewald:

Records responsive to your request were previously processed under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act. Enclosed is one CD containing 29 pages of previously processed documents and a copy of the Explanation of Exemptions. This release is being provided to you at no charge.

Please be advised that additional records potentially responsive to your subject may exist. If this release of previously processed material does not satisfy your information needs for the requested subject, you may request an additional search for records. Submit your request by mail or fax to – Work Process Unit, 170 Marcel Drive, Winchester, VA 22602, fax number (540) 868-4997. Please cite the FOIPA Request Number in your correspondence.

For your information, Congress excluded three discrete categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of the FOIA. See 5 U.S. C. § 552(c) (2006 & Supp. IV (2010). This response is limited to those records that are subject to the requirements of the FOIA. This is a standard notification that is given to all our requesters and should not be taken as an indication that excluded records do, or do not, exist.

For questions regarding our determinations, visit the www.fbi.gov/foia website under “Contact Us.” The FOIPA Request Number listed above has been assigned to your request. Please use this number in all correspondence concerning your request. Your patience is appreciated.

You may file an appeal by writing to the Director, Office of Information Policy (OIP), United States Department of Justice, Suite 11050, 1425 New York Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20530-0001, or you may submit an appeal through OIP’s FOIAonline portal by creating an account on the following website: https://foiaonline.regulations.gov/foia/action/public/home. Your appeal must be postmarked or electronically transmitted within ninety (90) days from the date of this letter in order to be considered timely. If you submit your appeal by mail, both the letter and the envelope should be clearly marked “Freedom of Information Act Appeal.” Please cite the FOIPA Request Number assigned to your request so that it may be easily identified.
You may seek dispute resolution services by contacting the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at 877-684-6448, or by emailing ogis@nara.gov. Alternatively, you may contact the FBI’s FOIA Public Liaison by emailing foipawaquestions@ic.fbi.gov. If you submit your dispute resolution correspondence by email, the subject heading should clearly state “Dispute Resolution Services.” Please also cite the FOIPA Request Number assigned to your request so that it may be easily identified.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

David M. Hardy
Section Chief,
Record/Information
Dissemination Section
Records Management Division

Enclosure(s)
EXPLANATION OF EXEMPTIONS

SUBSECTIONS OF TITLE 5, UNITED STATES CODE, SECTION 552

(b)(1) (A) specifically authorized under criteria established by an Executive order to be kept secret in the interest of national defense or foreign policy and (B) are in fact properly classified to such Executive order;

(b)(2) related solely to the internal personnel rules and practices of an agency;

(b)(3) specifically exempted from disclosure by statute (other than section 552b of this title), provided that such statute (A) requires that the matters be withheld from the public in such a manner as to leave no discretion on issue, or (B) establishes particular criteria for withholding or refers to particular types of matters to be withheld;

(b)(4) trade secrets and commercial or financial information obtained from a person and privileged or confidential;

(b)(5) inter-agency or intra-agency memorandums or letters which would not be available by law to a party other than an agency in litigation with the agency;

(b)(6) personnel and medical files and similar files the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy;

(b)(7) records or information compiled for law enforcement purposes, but only to the extent that the production of such law enforcement records or information (A) could reasonably be expected to interfere with enforcement proceedings, (B) would deprive a person of a right to a fair trial or an impartial adjudication, (C) could reasonably be expected to constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy, (D) could reasonably be expected to disclose the identity of confidential source, including a State, local, or foreign agency or authority or any private institution which furnished information on a confidential basis, and, in the case of record or information compiled by a criminal law enforcement authority in the course of a criminal investigation, or by an agency conducting a lawful national security intelligence investigation, information furnished by a confidential source, (E) would disclose techniques and procedures for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions, or would disclose guidelines for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions if such disclosure could reasonably be expected to risk circumvention of the law, or (F) could reasonably be expected to endanger the life or physical safety of any individual;

(b)(8) contained in or related to examination, operating, or condition reports prepared by, on behalf of, or for the use of an agency responsible for the regulation or supervision of financial institutions; or

(b)(9) geological and geophysical information and data, including maps, concerning wells.

SUBSECTIONS OF TITLE 5, UNITED STATES CODE, SECTION 552a

(d)(5) information compiled in reasonable anticipation of a civil action proceeding;

(j)(2) material reporting investigative efforts pertaining to the enforcement of criminal law including efforts to prevent, control, or reduce crime or apprehend criminals;

(k)(1) information which is currently and properly classified pursuant to an Executive order in the interest of the national defense or foreign policy, for example, information involving intelligence sources or methods;

(k)(2) investigatory material compiled for law enforcement purposes, other than criminal, which did not result in loss of a right, benefit or privilege under Federal programs, or which would identify a source who furnished information pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence;

(k)(3) material maintained in connection with providing protective services to the President of the United States or any other individual pursuant to the authority of Title 18, United States Code, Section 3056;

(k)(4) required by statute to be maintained and used solely as statistical records;

(k)(5) investigatory material compiled solely for the purpose of determining suitability, eligibility, or qualifications for Federal civilian employment or for access to classified information, the disclosure of which would reveal the identity of the person who furnished information pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence;

(k)(6) testing or examination material used to determine individual qualifications for appointment or promotion in Federal Government service he release of which would compromise the testing or examination process;

(k)(7) material used to determine potential for promotion in the armed services, the disclosure of which would reveal the identity of the person who furnished the material pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence.

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Office of Enforcement Operations  
Criminal Division  March 19, 1981  
1 - Mr. Henehan  
1 - Mr. E. Walsh, Rm. 5847  
1 - [Redacted]

UNKNOWN SUBJECT, LOS ANGELES-COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA; JOHNNIE COCHRAN FORMER ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY, LOS ANGELES CALIFORNIA; RACKETEER INFLUENCED AND CORRUPT ORGANIZATIONS - PUBLIC CORRUPTION

Attached is a copy of a communication which furnishes information concerning a current investigation. Exigent circumstances precluded a request for authorization in advance to utilize an electronic device to monitor and/or record private conversations with the consent of a party.

Under the provisions of Part III (B) of the Attorney General's Memorandum of September 22, 1968, to the Heads of Executive Departments and Agencies entitled, "Monitoring Private Conversations with the Consent of a Party," emergency monitoring was instituted under the authorization of an appropriate official of the FBI.

Monitoring of this conversation was authorized in the best interest of law enforcement in that it was expected to provide corroborative evidence and to protect the individual utilizing the equipment.

Further monitoring is expected in this matter, and it is requested that your office approve the use of this equipment for a period of 30 days beginning the date on which you grant approval.

Enclosure

TJ: wdd (6)  
NOTE: Emergency authority was obtained from Section Chief, Joseph E. Henehan on [redacted] and was relayed to Supervised, LA, by Supervisor [redacted] same date: 1381 b7d
ReButelcal to the Bureau, 3/17/81, and Butelcal to Los Angeles, 3/16/81.

ReButelcal 3/16/81 advised that emergency authority was granted for the use of an electronic device to monitor and/or record conversations between source, Johnnie Cochran, and others unknown.

This is to confirm that written authority has now been obtained from the Criminal Division, Department of Justice, for the use of electronic device for a period of

You are requested to submit a letter within 30 days of this authorization furnishing information regarding use of this equipment in accordance with Part II, Section 10-10.2(4), Volume III, MIOG.

Comment specifically concerning any of the points set forth in the MIOG that are applicable.

In addition, you should insure that all persons identified as having been monitored are suitably included in the field office and FBIHQ indices, commensurate with existing instructions as outlined in Bureau airtels to all offices dated 4/12/77, 6/8/77, and 10/21/77, entitled "Microphone and Telephone Surveillance." Strict administrative controls must be established to insure these requirements are met.

TJ:wdd (4) "ENCLOSURE ATTACHED".

NOTE: Emergency authority was obtained from Section Chief Joseph E. Henehan on [date and location] and was relayed to Supervisor [date and location] by Supervisor [date and location] same date.

See Bureau letter to Office of Enforcement Operations dated 3/15/81. No Bureau markings or stamps to be placed on original.
UNKNOWN SUBJECT, LOS ANGELES SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA; JOHNIE COCHRAN, FORMER
ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA;
RACKETEER INFLUENCED AND CORRUPT ORGANIZATIONS -
PUBLIC CORRUPTION

RelAtel to the Bureau, 4/18/81, and Butelcal to
Los Angeles, 4/21/81.

This is to confirm reButelcal wherein you were advised
written authority was obtained from the Criminal Division,
Department of Justice, for the use of electronic device to moni-
tor and/or record conversations between source, and others
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requirements are met.

TJ:wdd (4)

NOTE: ReButelcal was made to Supervisor LA, b6
FBIHQ, on 4/21/81.

See Bureau letter to Office of Enforcement Operations
dated 4/20/81. No Bureau markings or stamps to be placed on original
memorandum.
ENCLOSURE (☑ TO LETTER) (AIRTEL)

TO SAC. Los Angeles

DATE 4/12/11

RE: UNSUB. LOS ANGELES

SUPERIOR COURT

JUDGE

LA FILE NO. 183D-1244 (WCC-4)

RE FILE NO. —

193 24706-5

ENCLOSURE
Memorandum

To: Office of Enforcement Operations Criminal Division
From: Director, FBI
Subject: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, LOS ANGELES SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA; JOHNNIE COCHRAN, FORMER ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA; RACKETEER INFLUENCED AND CORRUPT ORGANIZATIONS - PUBLIC CORRUPTION

Attached is a copy of a communication in which authorization is requested for the use of an electronic device to monitor and/or record private conversations with the consent of a party. Also attached is a copy of the communication in which authority was initially requested and granted.

Additional information concerning this investigation has been included in the communications. It is requested that your office approve the use of this equipment for a period of 30 days beginning the date on which you grant approval.

Monitoring of this conversation is recommended in the best interest of effective law enforcement in that it will corroborate evidence and protect the individual utilizing the equipment.

Enclosures (2)

Approved:
(Pursuant to the Authority of the Attorney General 9-22-80)

[Signature]
Philip Wilens
Director
Office of Enforcement Operations
Date: 4/20/81
UNCLASSIFIED

UNKNOWN SUBJECT, LOS ANGELES SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA; JOHNNIE COCHRAN, FORMER ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, RICO - FELON CORRUPTION, GO: LOS ANGELES.

RF BUREAU TELCALL TO LOS ANGELES, MARCH 16, 1981; LOS ANGELES TELTYPE TO BUREAU, MARCH 17, 1981; AND LOS ANGELES AIRTEL TO BUREAU, APRIL 8, 1981.

EMERGENCY AUTHORITY WAS GRANTED BY FILING ON FOR USE OF AN ELECTRONIC DEVICE AND THE CRIMINAL DIVISION, DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, GRANTED WRITTEN AUTHORITY FOR A 30 DAY PERIOD BEGINNING FOR INFORMATION OF THE BUREAU, SOURCE AND HAD A CONVERSATION ON WHICH WAS RECORDED AND IT WAS DETERMINED THAT FORMER ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY JOHNNIE COCHRAN WAS NOT INTERESTED IN HANDLING
THEN ARRANGED A MEETING BETWEEN SOURCE AND ONE WHO TOOK
SOURCE TO
HAS TO TAKE AND PRESENTLY IS
ATTEMPTING TO HAVE WHO ALLEGEDLY
DUE TO THE DIFFICULTY IN COVERING THE MEETING BETWEEN SOURCE AND AND BECAUSE OF THE SHORT NOTICE GIVEN SOURCE
FOR THIS MEETING, THIS MEETING WAS NOT RECORDED. IT IS EXPECTED
THAT MEETINGS BETWEEN SOURCE AND WILL BE RECORDED
DURING THE NEXT 30 DAY PERIOD.
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LATER ADVISED SOURCE THAT

IN VIEW OF THE ABOVE FACTS, AUTHORITY IS REQUESTED FOR AN
ADDITIONAL 30 DAY PERIOD TO UTILIZE AN ELECTRONIC DEVICE TO
MONITOR AND/OR RECORD PRIVATE CONVERSATIONS BETWEEN SOURCE AND INDIVIDUALS INVOLVED IN THIS MATTER.

AUSA DEAN B. ALLISON, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, CONCURS WITH THE USE OF THE RECORDING DEVICE AND DOES NOT FORESEE AN INSURMOUNTABLE BAR TO PROSECUTION DUE TO ENTRAPMENT CLAIMS.

IF FIXED DEVICE IS USED, IT WILL ONLY BE ACTUATED WHEN CONSENTING PARTY IS PRESENT.
Office of Enforcement Operations
Criminal Division
Director, FBI

Unknown Subject, Los Angeles Superior Court Judge
Los Angeles, California; Johnnie Cochran, Former
Assistant District Attorney, Los Angeles, California;
Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations —
Public Corruption.

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Enclosures (2)

TJ: wdd (6)
To: Office of Enforcement Operations
    Criminal Division
From: Director, FBI
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Memorandum

To: SAC, LOS ANGELES (183D-1244) (P) (22) Date 2/12/81

From: SA

Subject: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
Los Angeles County Superior Court Judge,
Los Angeles, California,
RICO - PUBLIC CORRUPTION (PRELIMINARY INQUIRY)
OO: Los Angeles


The Los Angeles Division is instituting a preliminary inquiry commencing 2/12/81, and to expire on 3/12/81, regarding captioned matter in accordance with Attorney General's guidelines on General Crimes Investigations, Part I, Paragraph D (subparagraph 3).

The referenced FD-209 contains the details of the allegation received concerning the captioned Superior Court Judge.

On 2/9/81 and 2/11/81, this matter was discussed with Assistant United States Attorney (AUSA) DEAN B. ALLISON, Los Angeles, California, and it was determined that the facts presented do not affect interstate commerce for a Hobbs Act investigation, however, telephonic contact with FBIHQ revealed that a RICO inquiry is warranted.

As noted in referenced FD-209, the facts in this matter are briefly as follows:

On 2/4/81, a confidential source who has furnished reliable information in the past advised that [Redacted]
A review of Los Angeles County directories reveal almost 200 Los Angeles County Superior Court Judges, with approximately ten of these having Spanish surnames.

In view of the aforementioned information it is believed that a preliminary inquiry should be conducted to attempt to substantiate this allegation. This inquiry will consist of a review of public source documents, direct interviews of persons involved in this matter, and probable use of consensual monitoring (telephone) and use of a body recorder.

Source has indicated a willingness to testify in this matter.

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[Signature] 3/30/81
March 18, 1981

Los Angeles, CA.

I, LA Ca., hereby authorize, and b6

Special Agents of the

Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, to place a

☑ Body Recorder or premises on my person, for the purpose of recording any conversations

☐ Transmitter

with (Name of Subject(s))

which I may have on or about 3-18-81.

(Date)

I have given this written permission to the above-named Special

Agents voluntarily and without threats or promises of any kind.

Witnesses:

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Description: Statement from

Device regarding

Device attorney

30/81
March 18, 1981

I, [name], voluntarily cooperating with the FBI in a matter concerning
and Johnnie Cochran and the
FBI has not advised or told me to dismiss
my present attorney.
Any decision to dismiss him.
will be my decision and will be in no
way influenced by the FBI.

Witness: [signature]

[Signature]

[Signature]

[Signature]

[Signature]
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Date Received 3-24-81
From
(NAME OF CONTRIBUTOR)

By
(NAME OF SPECIAL AGENT)

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□ Yes Grand Jury Material-Disseminate Only
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Description:

[Signature]

[Date: 3/30/81]
FD-340 (REV.8-20-79)

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Grand Jury Material-  
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of Criminal Procedure  

Description:  

Ex parte  
3/30/91
I, ____________________________, hereby authorize, and ____________________________, Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, to install a recording device on a telephone located at ____________________________, for the purpose of recording any conversation I may have on that telephone with ____________________________, on or about 3-27-84. I have given this written permission to the above-named Special Agents voluntarily, and without threats or promises of any kind.

Witness:

__________________________

Los Angeles, CA

(Date)

(Address)

(Name of Subject(s))

DOJ/FBI
Field File No. 20 and File No. LA (3)-12-44-74
Date Received 3-16-81
From
By

To Be Returned □ Yes □ No
Receipt Given □ Yes □ No

Grand Jury Material—Disseminate Only
Pursuant to Rules 6(e), Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure

Description: Excerpted FD 472

4/1/81
I, hereby authorize and hereby authorize, Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, to install a recording device on a telephone located at for the purpose of recording any conversation I may have on that telephone with on or about on or about . I have given this written permission to the above-named Special Agents voluntarily, and without threats or promises of any kind. Witnesses:
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□ No, Pursuant to Rules 6(e), Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure  

Description:  

Signed 4/30/81
April 6, 1981

Los Angeles Ca

hereby authorize

, Special Agents of the

Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, to place a

Body Recorder or premises on my person, for the purpose of recording any conversations

with Carlos Texan (Name of Subject(s))

which I may have on or about April 6-20-1981.

I have given this written permission to the above-named Special

Agents voluntarily and without threats or promises of any kind.

Witnesses:

4-6-81
Field File No. LA 1838-1244.735
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From
(NAME OF CONTRIBUTOR)

ADDRESS OF CONTRIBUTOR)

By

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Yes Grand Jury Material- Disseminate Only
No Pursuant to Rules 6(e), Federal Rules
of Criminal Procedure.

Description:

5/28/81
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(NAME OF CONTRIBUTOR)

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To Be Returned □ Yes □ No
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Yes □ Grand Jury Material-
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No □ Pursuant to Rules
6(e), Federal Rules
of Criminal Procedure

Description:

Excerpted FD-473 of

5/28/71
May 1, 1981
(Date)

Los Angeles, CA
(Location)

I, LA Ca., hereby authorize

and

Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, to place a

Body Recorder or premises

Transmitter

on my person for the purpose of recording any conversations

which I may have on or about May 1, 20, 1981.
(Date)

I have given this written permission to the above-named Special Agents voluntarily and without threats or promises of any kind.

Witnesses:

Carlos Taran and others
(Name of Subject(s))

May 1, 1981
(Signed)

CA, LA Ca. 5-1-81
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Description:  

[Handwritten note: 472 of 28/81]
I, [Name], hereby authorize [Address] and [Name], Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, to install a recording device on a telephone located at [Location] for the purpose of recording any conversation I may have on that telephone with [Name of Subject(s)] or about [Date].

I have given this written permission to the above-named Special Agents voluntarily, and without threats or promises of any kind.

 Witnesses:

[Dates]
Title and Character of Case
UNSUB;
LOS ANGELES SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE
LA CA.
RICO
PUBLIC CORRUPTION

Date Property Acquired Source From Which Property Acquired

Date Property Acquired Source From Which Property Acquired

Location of Property or Bulky Exhibit Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Made to Dispose of Same

CABINET # 13 EVIDENCE

To Be Returned See Serial Agent Submitting Property or Exhibit Agent Assigned Case

Yes No


Description of Property or Exhibit

k original body recording tape.

SEMIANNUAL INVENTORY CERTIFICATION TO JUSTIFY RETENTION OF PROPERTY (Initial and Date)

Return 5/17/82

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**Remarks**

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ATTN: WHITE COLLAR CRIME SECTION; ORGANIZED CRIME SECTION,
CRIMINAL INFORMANT MATTERS.
UNKNOWN SUBJECT; LOS ANGELES COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE, LOS
ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, RICO - PUBLIC CORRUPTION (PRELIMINARY
INQUIRY), 00: LOS ANGELES.

RE LOS ANGELES TELCALL TO SUPERVISOR

FEBRUARY 13, 1981.

THE LOS ANGELES DIVISION IS INSTITUTING A PRELIMINARY INQUIRY
COMMENCING FEBRUARY 17, 1981, AND TO EXPIRE MARCH 17, 1981,
REGARDING CAPTIONED MATTER IN ACCORDANCE WITH ATTORNEY GENERAL
GUIDELINES ON GENERAL CRIMES INVESTIGATIONS, PART I, PARAGRAPH D
(SUB PARAGRAPH 3).

ON FEBRUARY 4, 1981, [REDACTED], WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE
INFORMATION IN THE PAST, ADVISED THAT

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SOURCE ADVISED THAT

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SOURCE ADVISED THAT

SAC APPROVED THE OPENING OF A PRELIMINARY INQUIRY IN THIS MATTER TO ATTEMPT TO SUBSTANTIATE THIS ALLEGATION. THIS INQUIRY WILL CONSIST OF A REVIEW OF PUBLIC SOURCE DOCUMENTS, DIRECT INTERVIEWS OF PERSONS INVOLVED IN THIS MATTER AND PROBABLE USE OF CONSENSUAL MONITORING (TELEPHONE) AND USE OF A BODY RECORDER.
SOURCE HAS INDICATED A WILLINGNESS TO TESTIFY IN THIS MATTER. ASSISTANT UNITED STATES ATTORNEY (AUSA) DEAN B. ALLISON HAS BEEN ADVISED OF THE INITIATION OF THIS PRELIMINARY INQUIRY.
FM LOS ANGELES (183D-1244) (P) (WCC-4) MAG CARD

TO DIRECTOR PRIORITY

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ATTN: WHITE COLLAR CRIME SECTION; ORGANIZED CRIME SECTION,
CRIMINAL INFORMANT MATTERS.

UNKNOWN SUBJECT; LOS ANGELES COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE, LOS
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ON FEBRUARY 4, 1981, WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE
INFORMATION IN THE PAST, ADVISED THAT

Approved:  

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Source is advised that another source advised that the source who advised that source is advised that the SAC approved the opening of a preliminary inquiry in this matter to attempt to substantiate this allegation. This inquiry will consist of a review of public source documents, direct interviews of persons involved in this matter and probable use of consensual monitoring (telephone) and use of a body recorder.
SOURCE HAS INDICATED A WILLINGNESS TO TESTIFY IN THIS MATTER. ASSISTANT UNITED STATES ATTORNEY (AUSA) DEAN B. ALLISON HAS BEEN ADVISED OF THE INITIATION OF THIS PRELIMINARY INQUIRY.
On February 4, 1981, a confidential source provided the following information to SAs

He advised that

advised that

He advised that

and

He advised that

He stated that

He stated that

He stated that

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that

He advised that

SAs

and

Date dictated 2/6/81

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He advised that he would be willing to testify in this matter.
To: SAC, LOS ANGELES (183D-1244) (P) (WCC-4) Date 3/9/81
From: SA
Subject: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
Los Angeles County Superior Court Judge,
Los Angeles, California,
RICO - PUBLIC CORRUPTION
(PRELIMINARY INQUIRY)
00: Los Angeles

Throughout the week of 2/17 - 20/81, SA has maintained contact with source regarding source.

Source has advised that.

On 2/23/81, source advised that.
On March 12, 1981, [redacted] advised SA [redacted] that Johnnie L. Cochran, Jr. was formerly an Assistant District Attorney, County of Los Angeles. Source advised that Cochran, a black, had recently terminated his employment with the District Attorney's Office and had entered into private practice. Source [redacted]
ADMINISTRATIVE

On March 16, 1981, [redacted] attempted to contact [redacted] at telephone number [redacted] to record a conversation between source and [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted]
The following investigation was conducted by SA Los Angeles, California, on March 16, 1981:

Assistant United States Attorney (AUSA) Dean B. Allison, Special Prosecutions, United States Attorney's (USA) Office, Los Angeles, California, was telephonically contacted regarding the utilization of a telephone recording device and a body recorder on an FBI source who has provided reliable information in the past. AUSA Allison was advised that who advised source that

AUSA Allison concurred with the use of a telephone recording device to record conversations between source and/or and Cochran and with the use of a body recorder on the source to record conversations between the source and/or and Cochran, and that he does not foresee an insurmountable bar to prosecution due to entrapment claims.

On FBI Supervisor, was telephonically contacted and advised of the facts in this matter. Then telephonically contacted the writer and advised that emergency authority had been granted by FBI Headquarters to utilize a body recorder for a 30 day period.
To: SAC, LOS ANGELES (183D-1244) (P)(WCC-4)  Date 3/17/81

From: SA

Subject: UNKNOWN SUBJECT,
Los Angeles Superior Court Judge,
Los Angeles, California;
JOHNNIE COCHRAN,
Former Assistant District Attorney,
Los Angeles, California,
RICO - PUBLIC CORRUPTION
(PRELIMINARY INQUIRY)
OO: Los Angeles

On William M. Baker granted emergency oral authorization to utilize a consensual monitoring telephone device to record a conversation between a Los Angeles source and an individual named

An FD-472 was executed by the source and Assistant United States Attorney (AUSA) DEAN B. ALLISON advised on that he concurred with the use of the telephone recording device in this instance and that he does not foresee an insurmountable bar to prosecution due to entrapment claims.

The facts in this case are briefly as follows:

A confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that

Source advised that

SAC COMMENTS/APPROVAL
FM LOS ANGELES (183D-1244) OP) (WCC-4) TO DIRECTOR PRIORITY
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ATTN: WHITE COLLAR CRIME SECTION.
CHANGED, UNKNOWN SUBJECT, LOS ANGELES COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT
JUDGE, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA; JOHNNIE COCHRAN, FORMER
ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, RICO
PUBLIC CORRUPTION (PRELIMINARY INQUIRY), O0: LOS ANGELES.

TITLE MARKED CHANGED TO REFLECT IDENTITY OF FORMER ASSISTANT
DISTRICT ATTORNEY, JOHNNIE COCHRAN.

RE LOS ANGELES TELETYPE TO BUREAU, FEBRUARY 17, 1981; AND
LOS ANGELES TELCALL TO SUPERVISOR MARCH 16, 1981.

IN VIEW OF LOS ANGELES SOURCE'S TENTATIVE MEETING WITH

AND JOHNNIE COCHRAN ON THE EMERGENCY
AUTHORITY WAS GRANTED BY FB HQ TELEPHONICALLY ON
TO UTILIZE AN ELECTRONIC DEVICE TO MONITOR AND RECORD
PRIVATE CONVERSATIONS BETWEEN SOURCE AND

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(1) 193-1241-10

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AND BETWEEN SOURCE AND COCHRAN ON
IN CONNECTION WITH THIS PRELIMINARY INQUIRY
RICO MATTER. AUTHORIZATION WAS ALSO GRANTED TO RECORD SUBSEQUENT
MEETINGS BETWEEN SOURCE AND OTHERS WHO MAY BE INVOLVED IN THIS
CASE. THIS AUTHORITY WAS GRANTED FOR A 30 DAY PERIOD AND SOURCE
WILL WEAR A BODY RECORDER AT THE AFOREMENTIONED MEETINGS.

FOR INFORMATION OF BUREAU, SOURCE HAS INDICATED THAT FORMER
ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY COCHRAN, WHO LEFT THE DISTRICT
ATTORNEY'S OFFICE SEVERAL MONTHS AGO,

SOURCE HAS A TENTATIVE MEETING
ARRANGED WITH COCHRAN FOR

COCHRAN IS WELL KNOWN TO LOS ANGELES DIVISION AND WAS
A DEFENSE ATTORNEY IN MURDER TRIAL OF BLACK PANTHER GÉRONIMO
PRATT, AND HAS BEEN CRITICAL OF THE FBI IN THE PAST.

LOS ANGELES DIVISION IS AWARE THAT AND/OR COCHRAN
MAY BE PULLING A SCAM ON SOURCE AND THIS SITUATION WILL BE CLOSELY MONITORED BY LOS ANGELES FOR AN ADDITIONAL 30 DAYS AS PER ATTORNEY GENERAL GUIDELINES FOR PRELIMINARY INQUIRIES AND IF NO POSITIVE RESULTS ARE OBTAINED WITHIN THIS ADDITIONAL 30 DAY PERIOD THIS MATTER WILL BE DISCONTINUED.

DEAN B. ALLISON WAS CONTACTED REGARDING THIS MATTER AND HE CONCURS WITH THE USE OF A TELEPHONE RECORDING DEVICE AND WITH THE USE OF A BODY RECORDER BY SOURCE IN THE CIRCUMSTANCES AND DOES NOT FORESEE AN INSURMOUNTABLE BAR TO PROSECUTION DUE TO ENTRAPMENT CLAIMS.

ADMINISTRATIVE.

SOURCE IS WILLING TO FURNISH WRITTEN CONSENT (FD472 AND FD-473) AND IS WILLING TO TESTIFY.
On March 12, 1981, a confidential source telephonically contacted SA and advised as follows:

He advised that

He advised

He stated that

He advised that

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A confidential source telephonically provided the following information:

Source advised that

Source advised that

Source stated that

Source advised that

On March 22, 1981, source telephonically advised that

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Los Angeles,

by SA

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Source advised that

Source advised that when

Source advised that

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Source advised that when

Source advised that

Source advised that

Source advised that

Source advised that

Source advised that

Source advised that

Source advised that

Source stated that

On March 23, 1981, source advised that

Source advised that

Source advised that

Source advised that
On March 24, 1981, [redacted] advised that [redacted].

Source advised that [redacted].

Source advised that [redacted].

Source advised that [redacted].

Source further advised that [redacted].

Source stated that [redacted].
Memorandum

To: SAC, LOS ANGELES (183D-1244) (P)(WCC-4) Date 3/30/81

From: SUPV.                      b6

Subject: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
Los Angeles County Superior
Court Judge,
Los Angeles, California;
JOHNNIE COCHRAN, JR.,
Former Assistant District Attorney,
RICO - PUBLIC CORRUPTION
(PRELIMINARY INQUIRY)
OO: Los Angeles

On 3/18/81, [ ] FBIHQ, advised investigation as reported was sufficient to be designated a full field.

As a result this matter should now follow the Attorney General guidelines as they cover full field investigation.
TRANSMIT VIA: Airtel

CLASSIFICATION: ___________________________ DATE: 3/26/81

FROM: Director, FBI

TO: SAC, Los Angeles (183D-1244)

UNKNOWN SUBJECT, LOS ANGELES COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA; JOHNNIE COCHRAN FORMER ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA; RACKETEER INFLUENCED AND CORRUPT ORGANIZATIONS - PUBLIC CORRUPTION

RelAitel to the Bureau, 3/17/81, and Butelcal to Los Angeles, 3/16/81.

ReButelcal 3/16/81 advised that emergency authority was granted for the use of an electronic device to monitor and/or record conversations between source, Johnnie Cochran, and others unknown.

This is to confirm that written authority has now been obtained from the Criminal Division, Department of Justice, for the use of electronic device for ___________________________.

You are requested to submit a letter within 30 days of this authorization furnishing information regarding use of this equipment in accordance with Part II, Section 10-10.2(4), Volume III, MIOG.

Comment specifically concerning any of the points set forth in the MIOG that are applicable.

In addition, you should insure that all persons identified as having been monitored are suitably included in the field office and FBIHQ indices, commensurate with existing instructions as outlined in Bureau airtels to all offices dated 4/12/77, 6/8/77, and 10/21/77, entitled "Microphone and Telephone Surveillance." Strict administrative controls must be established to insure these requirements are met.
2 - Addressee
1 - Los Angeles (183D-1244) (P) (WCC-4)

DDG/cks
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OFFICE COPY
Honorable Andrea Sheridan Ordin  
United States Attorney  
U.S. Department of Justice  
U.S. Courthouse, Room 1269  
Los Angeles, California  90012  

Attention: AUSA Dean B. Allison  

Dear Ms. Ordin:

This letter will confirm a conversation between Assistant United States Attorney (AUSA) Dean B. Allison and Special Agent (SA) in which AUSA Allison concurred with the use of a telephone recording device and a body recorder to record conversations between a reliable source and several individuals including.

This case involves an attempt by to arrange.

AUSA Allison advised that he did not foresee any insurmountable bars to prosecution based on entrapment claims.

Based on the results of what has occurred in this matter to date, the status of this case is being changed from a preliminary inquiry to a full investigation.

Very truly yours,

EDGAR N. BEST  
Special Agent in Charge

By: Supervisory Special Agent
On March 31, 1981, telephonically advised that source stated that source advised that source stated that told source that source stated that source stated that source stated that.
Memorandum

To : SAC, LOS ANGELES (183D-1244) (P)(WCC-4) Date 4/13/81

From : SA

Subject : UNKNOWN SUBJECT, Los Angeles County Superior Court Judge, Los Angeles, California, RICO - PUBLIC CORRUPTION

On 4/2/81, SA telephonically contacted Assistant United States Attorney (AUSA) DEAN B. ALLISON regarding captioned case. AUSA ALLISON was advised that initial attempts by __________ and it might be necessary for the FBI to contact the District Attorney's Office or the Superior Court Judge in order to persuade them not to ________

AUSA ALLISON advised that he saw nothing wrong with approaching the District Attorney or the Judge to persuade them not to ________ and that doing this would not constitute entrapment of the individuals who claim that ________
TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
(ATTN: ELSUR INDEX)
FRCM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (66-6689)
RE: ELSUR

Enclosed for the Bureau are two (2) eisur cards reflecting the identities of persons overheard and recorded during consensual monitoring obtained with a body recorder. They are as follows:

2 - Bureau (Enc. 2)
2 - Los Angeles
1 - 183D-1244

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription: 3/26/81

A meeting was held between a confidential source and [redacted] at [redacted]. located in Los Angeles, California. This meeting occurred at [redacted].

Prior to the meeting SA [redacted] provided source with an electronic recording device which was used by source to monitor the meeting with [redacted]. At the termination of the meeting source returned the electronic device to SA [redacted] who took it into evidence.

A review of the recording revealed [redacted] to [redacted]. Source expressed [redacted].

told source that [redacted]

advised that [redacted]

stated that [redacted]

also stated that [redacted]

stated that [redacted]

advised source that [redacted]

source stated that [redacted]

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by SA [redacted] 'cks Date dictated 3/23/81

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (183D-1244) (P) (WCC-4)

RE: UNKNOWN SUBJECT,
Los Angeles County Superior Court Judge,
Los Angeles, California;
JOHNNIE COCHRAN, JR.,
Former Assistant District Attorney,
Los Angeles, California;
RICO - PUBLIC CORRUPTION
OO: Los Angeles

Re Bureau airtel to Los Angeles dated 3/26/81.

On a body recorder was used at Los Angeles, California, and the device aided in directing the course of the investigation and furnished lead material.

2 - Bureau
3 - Los Angeles
(1 - 66-6689)

Approved:  
Transmitted (Number) (Time)
UNKOWN SUBJECT, LOS ANGELES SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA; JOHNNIE COCHRAN, FORMER ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, RICO - PUBLIC CORRUPTION, 00: LOS ANGELES.

RE BUREAU TELCALL TO LOS ANGELES, MARCH 16, 1981; LOS ANGELES TELTYPE TO BUREAU, MARCH 17, 1981; AND LOS ANGELES AIRTEL TO BUREAU, APRIL 8, 1981.

EMERGENCY AUTHORITY WAS GRANTED BY FBIHQ ON FOR USE OF AN ELECTRONIC DEVICE AND THE CRIMINAL DIVISION, DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, GRANTED WRITTEN AUTHORITY FOR A 30 DA PERIOD BEGINNING FOR INFORMATION OF THE BUREAU, SOURCE AND HAD A CONVERSATION ON WHICH WAS RECORDED AND IT WAS DETERMINED THAT FORMER ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY JOHNNIE COCHRAN WAS NOT INTERESTED IN HANDLING
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ADDITIONAL 30 DAY PERIOD TO UTILIZE AN ELECTRONIC DEVICE TO
MONITOR AND/OR RECORD PRIVATE CONVERSATIONS BETWEEN SOURCE AND INDIVIDUALS INVOLVED IN THIS MATTER.

AUSA DEAN B. ALLISON, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, CONCUR WITH THE USE OF THE RECORDING DEVICE AND DOES NOT FORESEE AN INSURMOUNTABLE BAR TO PROSECUTION DUE TO ENTRAPMENT CLAIMS.
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1 - 66-6689 DDG/cbs (2) (AP) On 4/2/81 FBI HQ SC Van Malden authorized contact 3:13

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HAS TO TAKE AND PRESENTLY IS ATTEMPTING TO HAVE WHO ALLEGEDLY
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AUSA DEAN B. ALLISON, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, CONCURS WITH THE USE OF THE RECORDING DEVICE AND DOES NOT FORESEE AN INSURMOUNTABLE BAR TO PROSECUTION DUE TO ENTRAPMENT CLAIMS.
A confidential source telephonically provided the following:

Source advised that

Source stated that

Source advised that

Source advised that

Los Angeles, California

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by SA cks Date dictated 4/13/81

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TRANSMIT VIA: Airtel
CLASSIFICATION: 
DATE: 4/22/81

FROM: Director, FBI
TO: SAC, Los Angeles (183D-1244) (WCC-4)

UNKNOWN SUBJECT, LOS ANGELES SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA; JOHNNIE COCHRAN, FORMER
ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA;
RACKETEER INFLUENCED AND CORRUPT ORGANIZATIONS -
PUBLIC CORRUPTION

ReLAtel to the Bureau, 4/18/81, and Butelcal to
Los Angeles, 4/21/81.

This is to confirm reButelcal wherein you were advised
written authority was obtained from the Criminal Division,
Department of Justice, for the use of electronic device to moni­
tor and/or record conversations between source, and others
unknown for a period of 1

You are requested to submit a letter within 30 days of
this authorization furnishing information regarding use of this
equipment in accordance with Part II, Section 10-10.2(4),
Volume III, MIOG.

Comment specifically concerning any of the points set
forth in the MIOG that are applicable.

In addition, you should insure that all persons identified
as having been monitored, are suitably included in the field office
and FBIHQ ELSUR indices, commensurate with existing instructions as
outlined in Bureau airtels to all offices dated 4/12/77, 6/8/77,
and 10/21/77, entitled "Microphone and Telephone Surveillance."
Strict administrative controls must be established to insure these
requirements are met.
On April 28, 1981, furnished the following information to SA.

Source advised that

Source stated that

On May 1, 1981, source stated that

Source advised that

Source stated that

On May 4, 1981, source advised that

On May 5, 1981, source advised that
On April 15, 1981, furnished the following information to SA

Source advised that

Source advised that

On April 17, 1981, source advised that

Source advised that

Source advised that

On April 22, 1981, source advised that

Source advised that

Source stated that
Memorandum

To: SAC, LOS ANGELES (183D-1244)(P)(WCC-4)  Date: 5/6/81

From: SA

Subject: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, Los Angeles Superior Court Judge, Los Angeles, California, RICO - PUBLIC CORRUPTION

In view of writer's transfer to the Night Supervisor Desk, it is recommended that this case be re-assigned. It should be noted that SA has expressed an interest in this case.

The Agent to whom this case is re-assigned should review the file and insure that all Elsur regulations are complied with and that FBIHQ be re-contacted before 5/20/81, if case Agent desires to renew authorization for electronic recording. Further, the new case Agent should insure that SAC approval be obtained if new 30 day telephone consensual monitoring authority desired. This authority expires on 5/15/81.
The following information was obtained telephonically from the Los Angeles County Clerk's Office by SA [Name] on May 8, 1981:

On September 17, 1980, a complaint was filed by the District Attorney's Office against [Name] charging with 487.1 (Grand Theft), 470 ( Forgery) and 6201 (Falsifying Public Documents).

On September 22, 1980, [Name] was arraigned and his case was continued until November 10, 1980. On November 10, 1980, [Name] entered a not guilty plea and his case was transferred to Department 121 before Superior Court Judge Jerry K. Fields.

On January 30, 1981, a pretrial conference was held and a motion to dismiss the charges against [Name] was then made. This motion was denied and the case was continued until March 18, 1981. On March 18, 1981, again a motion to dismiss was denied and the case was continued until June 12, 1981. Case number is [Case Number]
On May 12, 1981, SA conducted the following investigation:

A search of the 1981 edition of the Parker Directory of California Attorneys lists the following:

Charles E. Lloyd
Suite 700
3701 Wilshire Boulevard
Los Angeles, California 90010
480-3111

Carlos M. Teran
3860 Mural Drive
Claremont, California 91711
714-621-1308

The 1979 California edition of Martindale – Hubbell Law Directory gives the following information:

Johnnie L. Cochran, Jr., born 1937, admitted to practice in 1962, was a graduate from the University of California (B.S) and Loyola University of Los Angeles School of Law (LLB).

Charles E. Lloyd, born 1934, admitted to practice in 1962, was a graduate from the Los Angeles State College of Applied Arts and Sciences (B.S) and the University of Southern California School of Law.

Carlos M. Teran, born 1915, admitted to practice in 1949, was a graduate from college and law school at the University of Southern California.
He is a retired member of the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) and a former
He is familiar with two black attorneys, Charles Lloyd and
Johnnie L. Cochran, Jr. described both lawyers as "wheeler dealers." He stated that as he
was in charge of a

on one occasion, in the course of his official
duties, he arranged for a hearing for a client of Charles Lloyd.
Lloyd attempted to

but said that he would not be surprised if this were
a common practice of Lloyd's.
To: SAC, LOS ANGELES (183D-1244)(P)(WCC-4) Date 5/18/81

From: SA

Subject: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
Los Angeles County Superior
Court Judge,
Los Angeles, California,
RICO - PUBLIC CORRUPTION
OO: Los Angeles

Due to this Agent's transfer to another squad, it is requested that this matter be re-assigned.
On May 19, 1981, the following information:

Source advised that

Source advised that

Source advised
Memorandum

To: SAC, LOS ANGELES (183D-1244) (P)(WCC-4) Date: 4/13/81

From: SA

Subject: UNKNOWN SUBJECT,
Los Angeles Superior Court Judge,
Los Angeles, California;
JOHNNIE COCHRAN,
Former Assistant District Attorney,
Los Angeles, California,
RICO - PUBLIC CORRUPTION
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On Assistant Special Agent in Charge (ASAC) WILLIAM M. BAKER granted emergency oral authorization to utilize a consensual monitoring telephone device to record a conversation between a Los Angeles source and an individual named

An FD-472 was executed by the source and Assistant United States Attorney (AUSA) DEAN B. ALLISON advised on that he concurred with the use of the telephone recording device in this instance for recording and others and does not foresee an insurmountable bar to prosecution due to entrapment claims.

This telephone recording device has not been utilized as yet but it is anticipated that it will be used within the next 30 day period.

The facts of this matter are briefly as follows:
A confidential source who has furnished reliable information in the past who advised

In view of these facts authorization is requested for telephone consensual monitoring for an additional 30 day period.

ASAC COMMENTS/APPROVAL

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On February 17, 1981, the Los Angeles Division instituted a preliminary inquiry regarding captioned matter which was subsequently designated a full field investigation on March 18, 1981, in accordance with Attorney General guidelines on General Crimes Investigations.

This investigation was based upon information provided by a Los Angeles source who has provided reliable information in the past. On February 4, 1981, source advised

Source advised who advised that

This would be handled by a Former Assistant District Attorney of Los Angeles

This Former Assistant

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UNKNOWN SUBJECT
LOS ANGELES SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE,
Los Angeles, California
JOHNNIE COCHRAN,
FORMER ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY,
Los Angeles, California

District Attorney was subsequently identified as Johnnie Cochran.

On March 18, 1981, a source advised one who introduced the source that the source was no longer in a position to obtain information regarding this matter and there has been no corroborating information to substantiate the allegations of as originally indicated by source.

On August 18, 1981, Assistant United States Attorney (AUSA) Dean B. Allison, Chief of Special Prosecutions, United States Attorney's Office, Central District of California, was contacted regarding this matter. Allison
was of the opinion that investigation of the original allegations were uncorroborated and disclosed insufficient Federal interest and no violation of Federal law had been uncovered. and the matter did not warrant further investigation.
TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (183D-1244)(WCC-4)(C)
RE: UNKNOWN SUBJECT
   LOS ANGELES SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE,
   Los Angeles, California;
   JOHNNIE COCHRAN,
   FORMER ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY,
   Los Angeles, California
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Reference Los Angeles teletype to Bureau dated 4/17/81.

Enclosed for the Bureau are four copies of a letterhead memorandum (LHM) reflecting investigation conducted in above captioned matter.

Los Angeles source mentioned in enclosed LHM is

Los Angeles is conducting no further investigation in this matter.

A copy of a LHM is being provided to the United States Attorney, Los Angeles, under separate cover.

Approved: 
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Office Copy
Ms. Andrea Sheridan Ordin
United States Attorney
U.S. Department of Justice
U.S. Courthouse, Room 1269
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Ms. Ordin:

For your information, I am enclosing communications which may be of interest to you.

Very truly yours,

EDGAR N. BEST
Official in Charge

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Supervisory Special Agent

1 - Addressee
1 - Los Angeles (183D-1244)(WCC-4)

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Attorney Johnnie L. Cochran Jr. was named by Mayor Tom Bradley to replace Robert E. Collins as a Los Angeles airport commissioner. Collins was asked to resign after his July 9 arrest for the shooting of Watts resident Clendria Casteel, 40. Collins claims he shot Casteel in self-defense and Dist. Atty. John Van de Kamp has not yet decided whether to file attempted murder charges against Collins. Cochran's nomination is not expected to come before the City Council for a week or two.
Memorandum

To: DIRECTOR, FBI

From: SAC, LOS ANGELES (183D-1244)(WCC-4)(C)

Subject: UNSUB, LOS ANGELES SUPERVISOR, COURT JUDGE, Los Angeles, California; RACKETEER INFLUENCED AND CORRUPT ORGANIZATION - PUBLIC CORRUPTION, OO: LOS ANGELES

Date 8/16/82

Reference, Bureau airtel to Los Angeles, 4/22/81:

A review of ELSUR records in the Los Angeles Division revealed that a letter from Los Angeles to the Bureau regarding the use of an electronic device, authorized use was inadvertently not sent.

The Bureau is advised that the electronic device was not used during the above period.
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Bradley Calls on His Allies

Longtime Advisers Invited to Discuss Paying Legal Fees

By JOEL SAPPPELL
Times Staff Writer

Mayor Tom Bradley has summoned a select group of longtime advisers and expert fund-raisers for a Saturday morning summit at the mayor's mansion to discuss, among other things, how to pay the mounting legal bills generated by the biggest crisis of his political career.

A top Bradley aide acknowledged Thursday that the mayor had called the rare meeting in Hancock Park and that the agenda would center on how to raise money for the newly formed Bradley Officeholder Committee.

Asked to confirm reports circulating through City Hall that the committee is simply a thinly disguised legal defense fund, Bradley's in-house lawyer, Mark Fabiani, would say only: "I think the possibility of using part of the officeholder account funds for legal services will be discussed on Saturday, as well as the means of raising funds."

During the last four months, at least six public agencies have initiated investigations into Bradley's personal stock dealings and whether he used his official position to steer taxpayer money to business associates.

The mayor has denied any wrongdoing.

Bradley has employed three prestigious law firms to represent him in the inquiry — experts in securities law, trial work and political strategy. Fabiani said he knew much of the defense team had wanted the mayor, calling such information a "private matter."

But a vocal supporter who is knowledgeable about attorney fees said, "I would guess that his legal fees are astronomical. They probably are already in the hundreds of thousands of dollars."

Judging from the guest list, it appears that the five-term mayor has decided to tap his substantial pool of political alliances to see him through a controversy that he has for the most part endured alone and that has tarnished his reputation.

Among those invited to Getty House are advisers who in previous terms helped make Bradley one of the nation's most influential Democratic politicians. Some clearly were under the impression that they were being called upon for their judgment, not their money. Those contacted Thursday evening said they had not been told specifically of the meeting's purpose.

Attorney Dan Garcia, formerly Bradley's head of the city Planning Commission, said he was told simply that it is going to be a "meeting of supporters of the mayor. I have no idea what it is about."

Businessman Nicolas Patraoules, a Bradley-appointed zoning commissioner and prominent Democratic party fund-raiser, said the message he got from the mayor's office indicated only that a few people were being brought together for a "briefing on the present situation."

The entire guest list could not be determined by late Thursday. But a few of the others said to be on it include former public works Commissioner Maureen Board, a lobbyist who is one of Bradley's closest advisers; Recreation and Parks Commissioner Dick Kurose, a developer with key links to the business community; Joseph O'Donnell, a former political consultant;

airport Commissioner Johnnie L. Cochran Jr., a politically connected attorney; and longtime fund-raiser Bruce Corwin, treasurer of the new committee.

The Bradley Officeholder Committee was formed July 19 — the day before an explosive city audit was made public, leading to an extraordinary week of public hearings by a City Council committee.

In the report and in public testimony revealed that someone in the city treasurer's office had "whited out" a notation that indicated a $2-million deposit in Far Eastern National Bank had been made by the mayor. Bradley had been a paid adviser to the bank. It was also disclosed that the document was doctored to create the false impression that a required competitive bidding procedure had been followed.

But Fabiani, the mayor's counsel, said the committee can spend the funds not only on legal bills but on "any expenses" the mayor has incurred "in connection with his public service." Under the law, they cannot be used to pay off campaign debts, he said.

Such committees are a new phenomenon in the city and have "sort of slipped through" without any public scrutiny, said Walter Zeilman, executive director of California Common Cause.

Zeilman said he is concerned about their legality and has asked City Atty. James K. Hahn for an opinion. The mayor's office noted Thursday that Hahn himself has such a committee.

Meanwhile, Bradley has missed a mid-July deadline set by the California Fair Political Practices Commission to provide greater detail in its 1984 through 1988 financial disclosure statements. FPPC spokeswoman Sandra Michioku said.

The FPPC notified Bradley on June 23 that he had 20 days to revise the statements, which contain errors and omissions.

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