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**Subject:** Banister police records from MCC boxes

Laura's memo on MCC-New Orleans records dated September 9, 1996, defers to me regarding the particulars of my phone conversations with Warren DeBrueys on his concerns regarding Guy Banister's files from his tenure with the New Orleans Police Department. These files in large measure concern allegations (with varying amounts of supporting evidence) of improprieties on the part of various members of the NOPD. For this reason, DeBrueys has raised privacy/confidentiality concerns about releasing these files to the public. DeBrueys agreed to the copying of these files in their entirety on the following conditions regarding access to them: (1) for now, the copies are being made for the use of the Review Board and its staff in deciding to what extent and on what terms we would like to have them in the Collection. DeBrueys said he is relying on us to restrict access to Review Board members and staff pending resolution of the privacy/confidentiality issue. (2) DeBrueys would be willing for us to keep the copies and put them in the Collection, provided the Board and the MCC (for practical purposes, in this context that means DeBrueys) agree on a way of resolving the privacy/confidentiality issue. I mentioned to DeBrueys that one way of resolving this issue would be to postpone the public release of the Banister police files for a length of time (10 years or 2017). He responded very positively to this idea, and agreed that records that post-dated Banister's time at the NOPD could be released now, because they do not pose the same privacy/confidentiality concerns. (I mentioned the concept of postponed release to DeBrueys after talking with Jeremy, who advised we should accommodate DeBrueys' concerns, even to the point of not copying the Banister police files at all if DeBrueys felt strongly about the sensitivity of these records.) DeBrueys understands that ultimately it is the Review Board, and not the staff, that decides on what terms the ARRB wishes to have the Banister police files included in the Collection. Bottom line: I believe DeBrueys (and MCC) will be satisfied if we send a letter stating that the Banister police dept. files will not be released to the public until 2017 (maybe even an earlier release date would be satisfactory). If the Board adopts this approach, we should confirm that the letter we send meets the DeBrueys/MCC concerns before actually sending our copies of the Banister police files to NARA.

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