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	To: Jeremy Gunn/ARRBcc: Brian Rosen/ARRB From: Dave Montague/ARRB Date: 04/17/97 04:15:37 PMSubject: Interview of Maria L. Ray re: Evelyn Lincoln estate recordsCALL REPORTIssue # 78Document's Author: Dave Montague & Brian Rosen/ARRB Date Created: 04.17.1997Who initiated the call? Evelyn Lincoln Project Subject: Interview of Maria L. Ray re: Evelyn Lincoln estate recordsDescription of the Call We spoke w/ Ray today & asked why she hadn't returned any of our messages or responded to our correspondence; she had no explanation. She continually stated that both her & Clifford (husband) are very skeptical about our legitimacy. We reminded Ray of the explanatory material sent to her home & she said: "anybody can put together phony business cards & letterheadhow do I know you're not working for "them"?). Ray kept saying that she was afraid to speak about the Estate because of possibly violating "court orders" re: litigation over the Estate. Ray acknowledged receiving material from the Estate, but would not provide any detail; only remarking it had no "value". Ray said she received 2 boxes of material & pieces written about the assassination might be related; she said these materials were already public. Ray denied that she had access to

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and) are very skeptical about our me & she said: "...anybody can put working for "them"?...). Ray kept violating "court orders" re: litigation ut would not provide any detail; only pieces written about the blic. Ray denied that she had access to any open trunks or file cabinets. Ray also claimed she has no 1st hand knowledge of any other beneficiaries' material. Ray said she's never seen any proof to "back up" EL's theory about the assassination (Mafia & CIA joint effort). Ray said she saw EL's diaries (which she described as black in color) & said EL said (in Feb) she was planning to burn the books & that EL later said she had in fact burned them; Ray also said Abe Lincoln said EL burned them. Ray said she wanted to know "...how she could get off of the phone..." & that we should speak w/her attorney named John Noble. We said we'd be happy to speak w/him & she provided his information. Ray said she'd be more cooperative if she gets assurance from Noble. *She was the residuary beneficiary of the Lincoln Estate.----- After our conversation w/Ray, we immediately called Noble & explained our intentions. Noble was very cordial, agreed to speak w/Ray & would call us re: her cooperation.Maria Ray235 South Orlando AvenueCocoa Beach, FL 32931407.784.0179John Noble, Esq.301.762.7200 Record