

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD
1995

SEP 05,

Subj: Question List for Interview of Mr. A. G. Ayers

1. Do you remember anything about the issuance of a DD-1173 I.D. card to Lee Harvey Oswald in September, 1959?
2. If so, do you remember whether the card was laminated at issue? (Background: the card in the Archives is not laminated. It is a bare paper card, protected inside an Archives sealed plastic "heavy duty" jacket.)
3. Do you remember anything about the photo? Did you see the photo, or did you sign the I.D. card before the photo was affixed? Do you remember what Oswald looked like at the time (vis-a-vis his haircut)?
4. Can you tell me why a DD-1173 was issued to Oswald instead of a pink-colored DD Form 2MC(RES)? (If necessary, explain what the PRAM indicates are the only 3 valid options for issuance of I.D. cards to Marine Corps active duty personnel.)
5. Was the DD-1173 an I.D. card which was issued frequently by the separation section at H & HS, El Toro? If not frequently, do you recall on what occasions/for what reasons this DD-1173 was issued? What was the thinking, and actual practice, in your unit at the time?
6. It appears that the "privilege choices" on Oswald's DD-1173 I.D. card were not completed properly; i.e., where there were two "either-or" choices, it appears that they were not completed properly, since neither of the "either-or" choices were indicated, specifically: for EXCHANGE neither "limited" nor "unlimited" was XXXed out, and next to MEDICAL CARE FACILITY AUTHORIZED neither "civilian" nor "uniformed services" was XXXed out. Do you remember anything about this at all, such as why this may have occurred, or whether or not anyone noticed this at all?
7. Do you recall anything about Oswald applying for a passport during the week prior to his discharge when he was assigned to H & HS, El Toro?
8. Do you recall the issuance of a memo addressed: "To Whom It May Concern" on SEP 04, 1959 indicating that Oswald was to be discharged on SEP 11th, and transferred to the Inactive Marine Corps Reserve? (The memo shows the signature of a "1st SGT Stout" above your typed name.)

9. The issue date on the back of Oswald's DD-1173 indicates it was issued on "11 SEP 1959". Do you recall whether it was issued on that date, or on some earlier date? If earlier than the formal issue date, do you recall how much earlier, and why? (Background--not to be revealed except as a last resort in the event the person being interviewed has no recollection: the unique serial # on Oswald's I.D. card was found on Oswald's passport application dated 04 SEP 1959.) If the card was actually issued earlier than the formal issue date printed on the card, was this normal procedure? If not, why was an exception made in this (Oswald's) case?

10. Can you tell me why you also were issued a DD-1173 I.D. card when you were discharged on 21 NOV, 1959 instead of a DD Form 2MC(RES), the "normal" pink-colored reserve I.D. card?

11. Your service record states that you were granted access to SECRET information on 11 SEP, 1959. Do you remember this? Do you remember why? Why was this access granted on 11 SEP '59, when you earlier became the OIC of the separation section on 02 MAR '59, and then became Assistant OIC of the separation section on 01 JUL '59?

12. Is there anything else regarding the subjects we have been discussing which you would like to comment on?

13. Is there anything at all about your recollections of Lee Harvey Oswald in general that you would like to say? END