

A. William Joyce

1. My name is William Joyce
2. I received my undergraduate education at Providence College (BA, 1964), and my graduate education at St. John's University in New York (MA, 1966) and at the University of Michigan (Ph.D., 1974).
3. My current position, which I have held since 1986, is Associate University Librarian for Rare Books and Special Collections at Princeton University.
4. All of my previous professional positions beginning in 1972, has been involved in the management of library and archival programs, at the New York Public Library as Assistant Director for Rare Books and Manuscripts (1981-1986), and at the American Antiquarian Society as Curator of Manuscripts (1972-1981). From 1984 until 1992, I was on the adjunct faculty of the Columbia University School of Library Service.
5. I am a past president of the Society of American Archivists and am a member and officer of a number of other archival and library professional organizations.
6. Since 1994, I have served as a member of the Assassination Records Review Board, having been nominated by President Clinton, upon the recommendation of the Society of American Archivists, and confirmed by the United States Senate.

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B. David G. Marwell

1. My name is David G. Marwell
2. I received my undergraduate education at Brandeis University (BA, 1973), and my graduate education at the State University of New York at Binghamton (MA, 1976, Ph.D. 1988).
3. My current position, which I have held since 1994, is Executive Director of the Assassination Records Review Board.
4. Before joining the Review Board, I was the Director of the Berlin Document Center (1988-1994), which was an archive located in Berlin, Germany housing the personnel-related records of the Nazi Party and its organizations.

C. The Review of the Garrison Records

1. Our training and experience has equipped us to evaluate and appraise collections of records and to make judgments and recommendations concerning their condition and treatment
2. On April 26, 1996, we inspected approximately three and one half file drawers of files relating to former New Orleans District Attorney Jim Garrison's investigation and prosecution of Clay Shaw for involvement in the assassination of President Kennedy. The review took place between approximately 9:30 am and 2:30 pm at the office of the District Attorney in New Orleans.
3. The records fall into four categories: investigative files, media interviews of various types, trial testimony, and "other documentation and artifacts." The records include original paper documents, photocopies, audio tapes in a wide variety of formats, dictabelts, newspaper clippings, and other objects (including shell casings).
4. After careful evaluation of the condition of entire collection and each of its component parts, we reached the following conclusions:
 - a. The order of the records has been seriously disturbed since they were inventoried by the HSCA in 1978 and later by ARRB staff in June 1995 and it appears as though records may be missing.
 - b. Although it is difficult through visual inspection to evaluate definitively the condition of the audio tapes which represent an important part of the collection, there are clear indications that they are in less than ideal condition. The current storage environment puts them at further risk.
5. It is our recommendation that the collection be processed in a professional archives that is equipped to meet the challenge offered by the wide variety of audio tape formats and types.