

September 7, 1995

Mr. William G. Blair
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Dear Mr. Blair:

By way of introduction, the Assassination Records Review Board (ARRB) is an independent federal agency created to oversee the identification and release of records related to the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

The ARRB was established by the President John F. Kennedy Assassination Records Collection Act of 1992 (PL 102-526) and was signed into law by President George Bush. The law gives the ARRB the mandate and authority to identify, secure, and make available all records related to the assassination of President Kennedy. I am enclosing a copy of the Act and some explanatory material.

The scope of the Review Board's mandate includes assassination-related records in the custody of federal agencies, local and state government entities, as well as those in the private sector. From time to time the Review Board conducts inquiries into the existence or location of records that may be related to the assassination when doing so would create a more complete record for the research community and the general public.

I understand that Mr. Max Holland recently contacted you through Ms. Nanci Young of the Mudd Manuscript Library at Princeton University concerning two documents that are missing from the papers of the late Arthur Krock at Princeton. Specifically, the two documents are: 1) a memo written by Arthur Krock on November 22, 1963, concerning the death of President Kennedy; and 2) a memo written by Arthur Krock on December 18, 1963, that concerned comments John McCone and Robert Kennedy made on and about the events of November 22, 1963.

I also understand that you recently communicated with Mr. Holland and indicated you do not know where the documents are if they are not in the Krock papers at Princeton or part of Mr. Krock's oral history collection at Columbia University, which it appears they are not.

May I contact you in the coming weeks to discuss this matter further with you? Thank you in advance for your cooperation and assistance.

Sincerely,

Anne Buttimer, Esq.
Chief Investigator

Enclosures