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US VS GEORGEF DAVERGORDON LIDDY JAMES F. DAVEY, Clerk

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THIS ENVELOPE CONTAINS ORICINAL AND ONE CARBON COPY OF TRANS-CRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS HELD IN JUDGE SIRICA'S CHAMBERS, TOGETHER WITH NOTES OF COURT REPORTER (NICHOLAS SOKAL) ON OCT. 11, 1973

CONTENTS ORDERED SEALED UNTIL FURTHER ORDER OF COURT.

PRESENT - JAMES W McCORD, JOHN G KOELTL, OFFICE OF SPECIAL PROSECUTOR, ALÉASE W HOLLEY, SECRETARY TO JUDGE SIRICA, AND JUDGE SIRICA'S LAW CLERKS -- TODD CHRISTOFFERSON & RICHARD AZZARO)

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA)

vs)

GEORGE GORDON LIDDY, et al)

Criminal No. 1827-72

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JAMES F. DAVEY, Clerk

Thursday, October 11, 1973

The following is a transcript of proceedings held in chambers of THE HONORABLE CHIEF JUDGE JOHN J. SIRICA, and ordered sealed by the Court. (12:20 p.m.)

PRESENT IN CHAMBERS:

JAMES W. MC CORD

JOHN G. KOELTL, Office of Special Prosecutor
ALEASE M. HOLLEY, Secretary to Judge Sirica
TODD CHRISTOFFERSON, Law Clerk
RICHARD AZZARO, Law Clerk

PROCEEDINGS

THE COURT: Mr. McCord, about a quarter after 12:00 Mr. Azzaro, my law clerk, walked in and informed me that you had something you wanted to give me. Will you tell what it is without going into detail?

MR. MC CORD: As a courtesy, Your Honor, I dropped by a copy of a letter which I had written, dated 10 October, to the Grievance Committee of the Massachusetts Bar Association, containing a series of complaints against Mr. Gerald Alch and F. Lee Bailey, who represented me in the Watergate case.

I felt inasmuch as they had appeared before Your Honor in my case, as a matter of courtesy, as a matter of information, a copy of this letter would be appropriate for Your Honor.

THE COURT: Mr. McCord, I think I told you, you remember the last time you came in here you had a letter -- I have forgotten the date-- but it has been highly publicized, and I feel this way about it, that if you have anything you want to give to me it should be done through your attorney, you understand; give it to your attorney and if he thinks I should have a copy, let him bring it down. I think that is the way to handle the matter.

The reason I called someone from the office of Mr.

Cox is that I think they ought to know these things that develop
because they were not in the case, as you know, during the trial.

So I simply wanted to make this a matter of record that you did
come down and I will appreciate it if you could handle it that
way.

Does he know about this matter?

MR. MC CORD: Yes, sir. He had been out of town and the inly reason I delivered this letter, or planned to put it in the mailroom downstairs, butthey said they didn't have one.

THE COURT: I would rather you not go into detail on it but tell him, and if I think I ought to receive it I will make a decision at that time. If he thinks he wants to mail it to me he can send it through the mail.

All right, thank you for coming in.

(12:30 p.m.)

CERTIFICATE

It is certified the foregoing is the official transcript of proceedings indicated.

NICHOLAS SOKAL
Official Reporter

WATERGATE SPECIAL PROSECUTION FORCE
United States Department of Justice
1425 K Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20005
September 10, 1973

Honorable Hugh E. Kline
Clerk, United States Court of
Appeals for the District of
Columbia Circuit
United States Court House
Washington, D. C. 20001

Dear Mr. Kline:

In accordance with the attached order from Chief Judge Sirica, dated September 5, 1973, in <u>United States of America</u> v. <u>George Gordon Liddy</u>, Crim. No. 1827-72, I acknowledge receipt of xeroxed copies of the "Letter of January 1, 1972", (sic) to Gerald Alch, Esquire, from James W. McCord, Jr., with pen and ink notations of D. Todd Christofferson, "dated January 2, 197", (sic) together with a memorandum for the record prepared by Mrs. Alease M. Holley, sealed at the direction of the Court.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Peter M. Kreindler Executive Assistant to

the Special Prosecutor

T. M. Kriveller

Enclosure

FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ()

) Crim. No. 1827-72

GEORGE GORDON LIDDY, et al.)

Upon consideration of the Motion to Release Certain Sealed Portions of the Trial Record filed by the Special Prosecutor, Watergate Special Prosecution Force, on September 4, 1973, it is by the Court this 5th day of September, 1973,

ORDERED that the Motion of the Special Prosecutor be, and the same hereby is, granted so that the "Letter of January 1, 1972", (sic) to Gerald Alch, Esquire, from James W. McCord, Jr., with pen and ink notations of D. Todd Christofferson, "dated January 2, 1972", (sic) together with a memorandum for the record prepared by Mrs. Alease M. Holley, sealed at the direction of the Court, shall be made available to the Watergate Special Prosecution Force for use by said Force, but not for purposes of public disclosure.

A TRUE COPY

JAMES F. DAVEY, Clerk, James & Capitar