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Assassination Records Review Board Final Determination Notification

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RECORD NUMBER : 180-10068-10322

RECORD SERIES : STAFF PAYROLL RECORDS

AGENCY FILE NUMBER :

December 8, 1995

Status of Document:

Postponed in Part

Number of releases of previously postponed information: 14

Reason for Board Action: The Review Board's decision was premised on several factors including: (a) the significant historical interest in the document in question; (b) the absence of evidence that the release of the information would cause harm to the United States or to any individual.

Number of Postponements: 5

Postponements: All the postponements in this document represent Social Security numbers.

Reason for Board Action: The text is redacted because the public disclosure of the redaction could reasonably be expected to constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy, and that invasion of privacy would be so substantial that it outweighs the public interest.

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Select Committee on Assassinations

U.S. House of Representatives

3331 HOUSE OFFICE BUILDING, ANNEX 2
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20515

To: Thomas Howarth

From: Bob Blakey Cop 11-70 Date: July 11, 1977

Re: Terminations

The Public Information Office is being abolished, therefore, the services of Burt Chardak and Ty Roberts will no longer be needed.

Please schedule their termination for July 31, 1977 including any accumulated vacation.

Select Committee on Assassinations U.S. House of Representatives WASHINGTON, D.C. 20515

July 8, 1977

Finance Office House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

To whom it may concern:

Please note changes of address for these Committee employees:

Maurice Israel (128 20 8996) 2601 South Glebe Road, Apt. 2600-1A Arlington, VA 22206

Burton A. Chardak

120 South Reynolds

Apartment L-509

Alexandria, VA 22304

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Rebecca W. Martin Chief Clerk

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To the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

I hereby authorize the following payroll action:

Employee Name (First-Middle-Last)	Effective Date
Burton A. Chardak	6/26/77
Employee Social Security Number	Type of Action
	☐ Appointment
Employing Office or Committee	☐ Salary Adjustment
Assassinations	☐ Termination (At close of business on effective date)
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Position Title	Gross Annual Salary
	\$34,000
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I hereby authorize the following payroll action:

Employee Name (First-Middle-Last)	Effective Date
Burton A. Chardak	4/1/77
Employee Social Security Number	Type of Action
JFK Act 5 (g)(2)(D)	☐ Appointment
Employing Office or Committee	🕱 Salary Adjustment
Assassinations	☐ Termination (At close of business on effective date)
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Position Title	Gross Annual Salary
	\$47,500
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Burton A. Chardak	2-1-	77					
Employee Social Security Number		Type of Action					
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I hereby authorize the following payroll action:

Employee Name (First-Middle-Last)	Effective Date
Burton A. Chardak	11/29/75
Employee Social Security Number	Type of Action
JFK Act 5 (g)(2)(D)	Appointment
Employing Office or Committee	☐ Salary Adjustment
Select Committee on Assassinations	☐ Termination (At close of business on effective date)
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Position Title	Gross Annual Salary
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Signature of Employee

Jan 10, 1977

Date

30TH AND MARKET STREETS PHILADELPHIA, PA. 19101

Serving the Greater Philadelphia and South Jersey Area

RESUME

Burton A. Chardak
620 Hermit st.,
Phila., Penna. 19128
Telephone: IV 3-5411

Birth date and place: Jan. 12, 1925, Phila., Pa.

Marital status: Married with three children (one married and living in San Francisco, one studying at Temple Abroad in Rome, one in the last year of high school.)

Ability to relocate: House is sold with settlement in June. I could move to Washington within two weeks, family would follow in June.

Education: Bachelor of Science degree with major in journalism and minor in economics, Temple University, February, 1951; master of arts degree in economics, Temple, June, 1955. Six months of general college work at Kutztown State Teachers College while in service; several courses in economics of Latin America while at Mexico City College and several noncredit courses in statistics at Temple. Thesis was on The Business Cycle and Unemployment.

Service: Two years, ten months, Army Air Corps. Honorable discharge.

Work record: Editor of both Suburban Press and Mount Airy Hearld from February, 1951, to April, 1952.

Evening and Sunday Bulletin from April, 1952, to present in various capacities: Started in financial department as clerk and reporter. After three years transferred to city desk as police reporter, night rewrite and general assignment. Later assigned to courts and district attorney's office. Then was reporter at large, making own assignments.

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Next, I was assigned to Harrisburg to cover the State
Legislature for a year and a half, worked on a team investigating
political payoffs and contributions. Then became "idea man"

for about a year. My best idea was to go to Europe and cover
the American troops during peacetime. Then I asked for and got
an assignment to Vietnam where I wrote a series of articles just
as the United States was getting heavily involved. Also wrote
a series about the peace-keeping forces in Cyprus

Assigned as an assistant city editor to the copy desk, filling in as deputy city editor. Headed a Bulletin investigative reporting team that "broke" the FHA scandal in Philadelphia and resulted in a federal grand ju ry.

Was sent to a city editor's seminar at American Press
Institute, then at Columbia University, and a short while later
was appointed deputy city editor; in charge of assigning most
news stories. In that capacity I also helped train young writers
and reporters. Then assigned to the national desk, which handles
Washington, national and internation news; Started a weekly
column called World in Conflict.

Outside the Bulletin, I did some freelance work. Most notably I was Philadelphia area correspondent for Time and Fortune in 1957, worked part time at the N. Y. Daily News in 1968, wrote a number of articles for Philadelphia magainze.

Honors and awards: First prize for court reporting from the Pennsylvania Newspaper Publishers Association; National Certificate of Merit, Amvets, 1965, for the Vietnam series. Served as treasurer, Pen and Pencil club and vice president and director, Phila. Press Association.

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30TH AND MARKET STREETS PHILADELPHIA, PA. 19101

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3400

November 18, 1976

Dear Dick:

I've been following the progress of the House Select
Committee on Assassinations and its chief counsel as well as
newspaper and wire service stories permit.

I gather, at least from a Newhouse News Service report, that the committee unanimously has agreed to support your request for a staff of 170 but that the actual funding will not follow until after January 1.

If that's the case, and you can use me now, I'd like to come to Washington and get involved as early as possible. I think I can be more effective in the role of press liaison officer if I arrive on the scene before the great bulk of the staff.

I have received a formal letter from Bulletin management confirming an extended lewve of absence. But this does not preclude a short-term leave. Even if Congress ultimately refuses to fund the investigations fully and they are cut short, I feel I could return to the Bulletin without loss of face or funds. The experience of working for even a few weeks or months with the committee would be worth the effort.

Also, even though I would move to Washington immediately, Shirley and Sharon would remain in Philadelphia to June 30.

I, therefore, would not get involved with a long-term & lease until the summer. So, if the investigations are terminated early, there would be little financial hardship on my part.

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I understand that you are extremely busy at this point, preparing a budget and interviewing prospective staff members. But I would appreciate a call at your convenience.

I am somewhat anxious since several of the AP stories mention "a spokesman for Sprague." I recall that you mentioned a temporary press secretary, aide to Rep. Thomas N. Downing.

My concern is that he may become permanent.

Best regards

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30TH AND MARKET STREETS PHILADELPHIA, PA. 19101

Serving the Greater Philadelphia and South Jersey Area

Oct. 28, 1976

Dear Dick:

Here is my resume.

I'm also happy to tell you that The Bulletin has granted me an extended leave of absence. In fact, management, I am told, was "thrilled" with the idea.

The leave was granted in record time. This was a surprise. I thought it would take weeks of negotiation. That's why i went ahead and requested it now instead of waiting.

Of course, I explained in writing to The Bulletin that if for some reason the House does not provide sufficient funds for the dual investigation, the deal is off.

Now that The Bulletin has been apprised of the situation,

I feel very little notice is required. This means I could start
as your press secretary soon after things are worked out with
the House committee.

I hope that is soon. I am anxious to get involved as early as possible.

Meanwhile, I'm reading extensively in the Kennedy-King literature. I'm also meeting with an old friend, the press officer for the Federal Energy Administration here, to get some ideas about dealing with the media from the other side of the fence.

I will be in Washington, Monday and Tuesday, Nov. 8 and 9,

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to attend information seminars with my daughter, Sharon, at the three universities. As I told you, she plans to go to Georgetown, American or George Washington.

If it's all right with you, I'd like to stop into the temporary offices of the House Select Committee on Assassinations when I'm down there.

Meanwhile, best regards,

Burt Denflowlake

