

# Assassination Records Review Board Final Determination Notification

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AGENCY : HSCA  
RECORD NUMBER : 180-10068-10346  
RECORD SERIES : STAFF PAYROLL RECORDS  
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**December 8, 1995**

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John J. Farmer, Jr.  
1001 R'ville Pike, #1819  
Rockville, Md.  
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U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
Tom Howarth  
Select Committee on Assassinations  
3331 House Annex # 2

Oct. 20, 1977

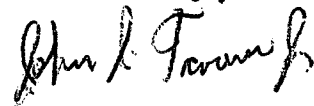
Dear Tom:

Here, without further delay or adue, is my repayment of the overpayment. You will note that it is made out to the U.S. Treasury or the Committee. This is due to the fact that I never recieved your note of September 15, so I was not sure who this was to be made out to. You may instruct those fine fellows at the Payroll Department, however, that I had an exquisitely fine time with my unexpected 'manna from bureaucratic heaven'.

Also, I wish you would advise Donovan to advise Blakey's office that I am still waiting breathlessly for their letter of recommendation. Please tell him (them) that I will not be able to obtain credit for my arduous labors of the summer until I recieve some sort of recommendation.

Thus, with all the sincerety due the occasion, I am,

Sincerely,



John J. Farmer, Jr.

P.S. Say hello to Kevin Walsh and Edwin Lopez for me. Tell Edwin that I am now a lifetime member of the "Reggie Jackson for Messiah" fan club.

September 20, 1977

Mr. John Farmer  
1001 Rockville Pike #1819  
Rockville, Maryland 20852

Dear John:

In reference to my letter of September 15, 1977, the House Finance Office informs me that in settling your overpayment, they will adjust various withholdings, that were made from your salary.

Accordingly, the amount of the check that you send to us should be \$199.38 instead of \$220.00.

Sincerely,

Thomas Howarth  
Budget Officer

TH:OW

cc: Finance Office

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## Select Committee on Assassinations

U.S. House of Representatives

3331 HOUSE OFFICE BUILDING, ANNEX 2

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20515

(202) 225-4624

September 15, 1977

Mr. John Farmer  
1001 Rockville Pike, #1819  
Rockville, MD 20852

Dear John:

Through an oversight, the Research Unit failed to notify the Budget Office that you had terminated your services with the Select Committee. As a consequence, you were overpaid for the month of August.

As I understand the facts, you worked through Friday, August 12 and that Mr. Gay gave you vacation through Friday, August 19. Therefore, you were overpaid for the period August 20-31, 1977 which amounts to a gross salary of \$220.00.

If you agree with the facts, I must request from you in the name of the House of Representatives, the return of House funds in the amount of \$220.00. The check should be made payable to the U. S. Treasury and sent to me in care of the Committee.

If you dispute the facts, kindly get in touch with me as soon as possible so that we can settle the matter.

Kind regards and good luck in your classes at school.

Sincerely,

Thomas Howarth  
Budget Officer

TH:nps  
cc: Finance Office

**PAYROLL AUTHORIZATION FORM**

(Please Use Typewriter  
or Ballpoint Pen)

**U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**  
Washington, D.C. 20515

(Any erasures, corrections, or changes  
on this form must be initialed by the  
authorizing official.)

**To the Clerk of the House of Representatives:**

I hereby authorize the following payroll action:

<b>Employee Name (First-Middle-Last)</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>
John J. Farmer, Jr.	8/31/77
<b>Employee Social Security Number</b>	<b>Type of Action</b>
JFK Act 5 (g) (2) (D)	<input type="checkbox"/> Appointment <input type="checkbox"/> Salary Adjustment <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Termination (At close of business on effective date)
<b>Employing Office or Committee</b>	
Assassinations	

(If type of action is an Appointment or Salary Adjustment, complete the following information.)

<b>Position Title</b>	<b>Gross Annual Salary</b>
Clerk	\$7,200

(If Committee Employee, complete appropriate item below.)

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- Joint Committee.

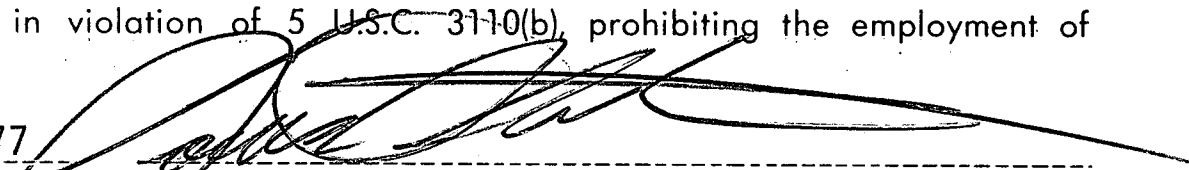
(If Employee of an Officer of the House, complete item below.)

Position Number \_\_\_\_\_ If applicable, Level \_\_\_\_\_ Step \_\_\_\_\_

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I certify that this authorization is not in violation of 5 U.S.C. 3110(b) prohibiting the employment of relatives.

Date September 15, 1977

  
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 (Signature of Authorizing Official)  
 Louis Stokes  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Type or print name of Authorizing Official)  
 Chairman  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Title—If Member, District and State)

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APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

Chairman, Committee on House Administration

Office of Finance use only:
Office Code _____
Monthly Annuity \$ _____ .00

M E M O R A N D U M

September 14, 1977

TO: Tom Howarth  
✓Becky Martin  
Tiny Hutton

FROM: Donovan L. Gay 

RE: John Farmer

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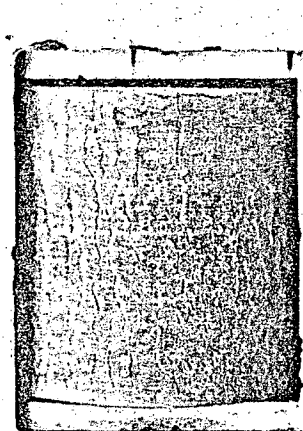
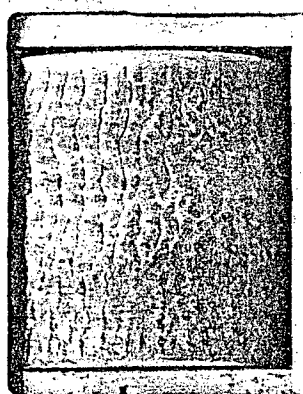
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However, I erred in failing to notify you earlier on the above, as I thought I had already done. Therefore, John Farmer was in fact paid for the remainder of the month of August, 1977.

Should there be additional questions on this matter, please contact me immediately. Furthermore, I can assure you that in the future, you will be notified immediately with regard to personnel changes.

Thank you.

mcp



**FN** First National Bank  
OF MARYLAND

No. 741366  
October 20, 1977  
7-11  
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PAY TO THE ORDER OF ~~XXXXX~~ U. S. Treasury or Select Committee on Assassinations \*\*\*\* \$ 199.38

FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF MARYLAND

DOLLARS

Remitter: John J. Farmer

CASHIER'S CHECK

*Sandra J. Spindick*  
AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE

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FNB 9046 (5/75)

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DATE	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
10/20/77	U. S. Treasury or Select Committee on Assassinations Remitter: John J. Farmer	\$199.38



Select Committee on Assassinations

U.S. House of Representatives

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20515

John

9-26-77

Farmer =

new termination  
papers =

19th August

take to Finance

Betty Burkholder

56514

per Tom Haworth

**PAYROLL AUTHORIZATION FORM**

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or Ballpoint Pen)

**U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**  
Washington, D.C. 20515

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authorizing official.)

**To the Clerk of the House of Representatives:**

I hereby authorize the following payroll action:

<b>Employee Name (First-Middle-Last)</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>
John J. Farmer, Jr.	August 19, 1977
<b>Employee Social Security Number</b>	<b>Type of Action</b>
JFK Act 5 (g) (2) (D)	<input type="checkbox"/> Appointment <input type="checkbox"/> Salary Adjustment <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Termination (At close of business on effective date)
<b>Employing Office or Committee</b>	
Assassinations	

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Clerk	\$7,200

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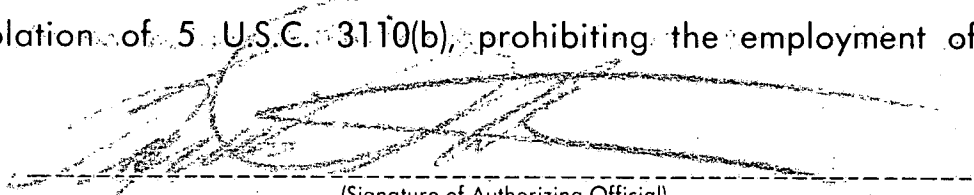
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- Joint Committee.

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Position Number \_\_\_\_\_ If applicable, Level \_\_\_\_\_ Step \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that this authorization is not in violation of 5 U.S.C. 3110(b), prohibiting the employment of relatives.

Date September 27, 1977

  
(Signature of Authorizing Official)

**Louis Stokes**  
(Type or print name of Authorizing Official)

**Chairman**  
(Title—If Member, District and State)

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Chairman, Committee on House Administration

Office of Finance use only:
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Monthly Annuity \$ _____ .00

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Thank you.

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M E M O R A N D U M

June 7, 1977

TO: Tom Lambeth  
Acting Staff Director

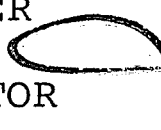
FROM: Donovan L. Gay   
Chief Researcher

RE: John Farmer, Jr.

I recommend that John Farmer, Jr. be employed as a part-time intern at a monthly salary of \$300.00 effective June 8, 1977.



MEMORANDUM

TO: BUDGET OFFICER  
FROM: DEPUTY DIRECTOR   
DATE: JULY 19, 1977  
RE: JOHN J. FARMER, JR.

The Chief Counsel and Director has today approved a change in work schedule and salary for John J. Farmer, Jr. Effective July 20, 1977, he will work a full day instead of a half day at a base annual salary of \$7200.00 instead of \$3600.00

CC: CHIEF RESEARCHER

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<b>Employee Name (First-Middle-Last)</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>
John J. Farmer, Jr.	7/29/77
<b>Employee Social Security Number</b>	<b>Type of Action</b>
JFK Act 5 (g) (2) (D)	<input type="checkbox"/> Appointment <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Salary Adjustment <input type="checkbox"/> Termination (At close of business on effective date)
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Assassinations	

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Position Number \_\_\_\_\_ If applicable, Level \_\_\_\_\_ Step \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that this authorization is not in violation of 5 U.S.C. 3110(b), prohibiting the employment of relatives.

Date July 19 1977

(Signature of Authorizing Official)

Louis Stokes

(Type or print name of Authorizing Official)

Chairman

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Clerk	\$3,600

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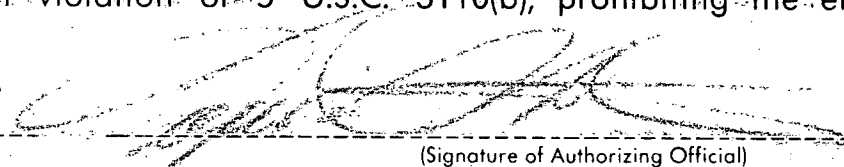
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Date June 8 19 77



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M E M O R A N D U M

TO: ALL STAFF

RE: Payroll Certification

The Regulations and Accounting Procedures for Allowances and Expenses of Committees, Members and Employees of the U.S. House of Representatives require that, among other things, the Committee's monthly payroll certification include the relationship, if any, of each employee to any current Member of Congress. This certification is signed monthly by our Chairman.

The following are the relationships to be included in the certification:

father	nephew	brother-in-law
mother	niece	sister-in-law
son	husband	stepfather
daughter	wife	stepmother
brother	father-in-law	stepbrother
sister	mother-in-law	stepsister
uncle	son-in-law	half-brother
aunt	daughter-in-law	half-sister
first cousin		

Please complete the appropriate portion below, sign and date this form, which will then become a part of your permanent personnel file. If this status changes, you must notify the Committee's Budget Office immediately of the change.

I am not related to any current (95th Congress) Member of Congress.

I am related to a current (95th Congress) Member of Congress.  
(Please specify.) \_\_\_\_\_

John H. Farmer, Jr.  
Signature of Employee

8/9/77  
Date