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**SYNOPSIS:**

Neighbors, friends, and business associates report subject's whereabouts unknown. On 3/3/58 a \$525 payment on subject's \$6300 note at U. S. National Bank, San Diego, California, made by ~~SAM BOMPENSIERO~~. Subject obtained \$15,000 from ~~GRACE JUDDO~~, *CAUF* half sister, during 1957.

*[Redacted]* and Alcohol Tax and Tobacco Unit, U. S. Treasury Department, also investigating subject. Subpoena outstanding for subject to appear before Federal Grand Jury, SDNY. Federal Narcotics Bureau, Los Angeles, attempting to locate subject to serve subpoena. Telephone call from subject's New York hotel room 11/13/57 traced to telephone of ~~ELVIRA GARGUILO~~, girl friend of ~~JAMES PLUMERI~~, alias ~~JIMMY DOYLE~~, a New York top hoodlum. No change in subject's known bank accounts. Handwriting and hand printing specimens obtained.

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ATTORNEY AT LAW PRACTICE

On March 27, 1958, CECIL HOWE, Building Manager for the California Bank Building, 9441 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, advised SA CHARLES E. STINE (A) that FRANK DESIMONE was a tenant in Room 436 from June, 1953, until sometime in the early part of 1954. He said that another attorney named JOHN WALSH shared an office with him. WALSH is presently in Room 412 of this building, according to HOWE. HOWE advised that if the exact dates of his tenancy ever become an issue, he would recommend contact with the Beverly Sign Company which placed the subject's name on the door and also removed it when he vacated this office. HOWE said he had little contact with the subject and believed he later had desk space in the law firm of Cantillon and Cantillon, which is also in the same building.

On March 27, 1958, T-1 advised that DESIMONE is associated with the Cantillon law firm only insofar as the Los Angeles County Supreme Court case of GEORGIANA vs. FISHER is concerned. T-1 said that this is a civil suit and has not been pressed because DESIMONE has not been in touch with the firm and his whereabouts are not known to any persons connected with this firm. T-1 advised that the subject is known to the CANTILLONS, who are the attorneys for the Tropicana Hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada. T-1 said that JOHN ROSELLI is also a client of this firm and believes he was introduced to the firm by DESIMONE. T-1 said that among the CANTILLON clients is ANTHONY MOSCIOTRA, 4115 Vally Vista Courts, Sherman Oaks, California. He is the manager of the Silver Fox, a tavern located in San Fernando Valley and actually owned by a family named PUCCI. T-1 said that RICHARD CANTILLON and MOSCIOTRA had a conversation in which the fact that the subject's whereabouts were unknown was a point of discussion. T-1 said it appeared apparent that neither knew where the subject might be, but it was also apparent that they were concerned about him.

T-1 has also advised that within a few days following the notoriety given the subject in the local press, RICHARD

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CANTILLON learned that a "Life" Magazine reporter had telephonically contacted the CANTILLON office and had engaged one of the clerical employees in conversation concerning the subject. According to T-1, it was apparent that CANTILLON was concerned that there would be publicity in which the subject's connection with the firm would become known. T-1 said that the subject was never a member of the firm and recently all calls for the subject have been referred to G. VERNON BRUMBAUGH, 139 North Broadway, Los Angeles. T-1 said that DESIMONE was never a member of the CANTILLON law firm.

On March 31, 1958, G. VERNON BRUMBAUGH advised SA STINE that he still had no idea of the subject's whereabouts.

EJECT-O-LETTE MANUFACTURING COMPANY

On March 7, 1958, W. D. HIGGINSON, United States Corporation Company, 210 West Seventh Street, Los Angeles, advised that at the request of the subject he had filed the necessary legal documents with the California Department of Corporations for this firm. He said that this business, to his recollection, was a machine shop located somewhere in the vicinity of Central Los Angeles. He said all names of persons listed as original stockholders were employees of the United States Corporation Company.

(It will be recalled that the United States Corporation Company specializes in forming corporations under the laws of the State of California and other states for a fee. They act on instructions of attorneys, and according to HIGGINSON, perform the function of a specialized law clerk insofar as the filing of proper documents with the states are concerned.)

HIGGINSON said that he has a vague recollection of the fact that this firm may not actually have begun operations and does not believe it is presently active. He said he cannot recall the exact circumstances for the formation of this particular company, but believes the only work he did in connection therewith was the result of a short telephone call from the subject. He said he does not know who may have been associated with the subject in this venture.



NEIGHBORHOOD AMUSEMENT CLUB

HIGGINSON stated that on November 27, 1939, the subject requested him to file Articles of Incorporation with the State of California for this non-profit corporation. He furnished a carbon copy of the Articles of Incorporation for inspection. This copy did not indicate who the officers or stockholders were, nor was the address shown. The only names shown were LOUIS BONO; J. DIGREGORIO, and DOMINIC SALO. There was no further identification of these persons and they were referred to as "incorporators". Among the purposes for the club there was set forth that for the benefit of members pool, billiard, and snooker tables would be provided. HIGGINSON stated that he did not know where this club was located.

CUCAMONGA WINERY

On March 31, 1958, HIGGINSON advised that on searching through old records he had found misfiled a record to the effect that at the request of the subject, he had caused to be filed with the State of California Articles of Incorporation for this firm. He said the date May 15, 1939, appeared in his records in connection with this firm. He advised that there were no other references in his records to this company and did not know whether or not the subject was an officer, stockholder, or merely attorney for the firm. He said he did not know whether this was still in business.

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Close Relatives

ROSALIA DESIMONE - Mother

On March 14, 1958, CHESTER PERKINS, Investigator, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Los Angeles, advised SAA STINE that the files of that agency include alien registration forms completed by ROSALIE CORDA DESIMONE bearing number A-494102 dated January 10, 1951; January 21, 1957; and January 12, 1958. She also registered as an alien on December 12, 1940. On this early registration form she listed her place of birth as Lucca Sicila, a province of Gergenti, Italy. The form indicated that she entered the United States under her maiden name at New York City on July 30, 1907.

Mr. PERKINS pointed out that the Immigration and Naturalization Service investigation at Pueblo, Colorado, developed that the records of the Mt. Carmel Catholic Church at Pueblo included a record of a marriage on December 23, 1906, of ROSARIO DESIMONE and ROSALIA CORDO.

PERKINS pointed out that in the 1951, 1957, and 1958 alien registration forms completed by Mrs. DESIMONE she consistently represented that she entered the United States in July, 1907, at New York City. The name of the steamship was listed as "unknown." She listed her relatives in Italy as MAICH CORDA; however, the degree of relationship was not shown. She listed all of her children, which included LEON who resided at 3831 Hepburn; FRANK, JOSEPH, and ROSALIE, 1028 North Paramount, Downey, California, the family residence; JOSEPHINE SHASHA, 3522 Carmelete, Maywood; and TONINA LORIA, 195 Alhambra, San Francisco, California.

T-2 on March 7, 1958, advised that the account of ROSALIA DESIMONE at the Security-First National Bank, Downey, California, was increased by \$226.35 in a deposit made March 4, 1958. This amount represented a check drawn on the U. S. National Bank, San Diego, California, El Cajon Branch. The balance as of March 7, 1958, was \$12,531.17.

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T-3 advised that as of February 28, 1958, the balance in ROSALIA DESIMONE's account at the Bank of America, Downey, California, was \$8,286.41. On March 25, 1958, T-3 advised that there were no large checks charged against this account during the month of March. No checks were issued to any member of her family.

GRACE UDDO - Half Sister

Elsewhere in this report is information concerning a \$6,000. check issued by GRACE UDDO which was deposited in the subject's account.

On April 4, 1958, JAMES DONLEY, Internal Revenue Agent, advised that

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JOSEPH DESIMONE - Brother

T-4 on March 14, 1958, made available a list of phone calls from LO 7-2137 and TO 2-5988. JOSEPH P. DESIMONE, the subject's brother, is the subscriber to these phones at 8420 California Avenue, South Gate, California, and 8135 Valdena Lane, Downey, California, respectively. These calls showed that on December 20, 1957, a call was made to FRANK DESIMONE at Tampa, Florida, to phone number 4-2713 (This has previously been traced to the home of FRANK DIECIDUE). On December 27, 1957, a call was made to this same number, and the name "JOSEPH PAZZARIA" appears on the toll ticket. It is noted that a Dr. A. PERZIA performed the operation on the subject in November, 1957, at Tampa, Florida.

Other calls from JOSEPH DESIMONE's business phone in South Gate, California, were as follows:

City Called	Number Called	Dates of Calls
Fullerton, California	LA 5-5871	12/28/57
Westminster, California	TW 3-7263	2/7/58

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<u>City Called</u>	<u>Number Called</u>	<u>Dates of Calls</u>
	FA 8-4644	1/17/58
	GE 9-0227	1/20/58
	EX 8-7585	1/24/58
	AT 4-5147	1/28/58
	UN 4-8450	1/29/58
	TH 2-6939	1/30/58
	TO 7-6047	1/31/58
	UN 8-1838	2/5/58
	OR 7-2183	2/6/58
	PO 2-2977	2/13/58
	OR 2-3418	2/14/58
	OR 7-7781	2/14/58
	AT 0-0269	2/2/58

The calls above cover the period December 7, 1957, through February 17, 1958.

Calls to his home phone in Downey, California, through February 17, 1958, showed toll calls only to Garden Grove, California, phone number LE 9-2287. These calls were made on January 26, 1958; February 8, 1958; and February 17, 1958, respectively.

As set forth elsewhere in this report, on March 6, 1958, when Attorney G. VERNON BRUMBAUGH was contacted, he mentioned that Dr. JOSEPH LESIMONE had informed him the subject's whereabouts was unknown, and for that reason it was necessary to request him, BRUMBAUGH, to perform legal duties that would ordinarily have been performed by the subject.

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NEIGHBORHOOD

On April 2, 1958, Mrs. NORMAN HAURET, 7839 Adoree Street, advised that she had been in frequent touch with ROSALIE DESIMONE on a neighborly basis, but the subject of FRANK's whereabouts and condition has never arisen. She said it is evident from the fact that ROSALIE continues to park her car in the HAURET garage that the subject's car is still on the DESIMONE premises. She said that in the event the subject's whereabouts become known to her she will immediately inform this office. She advised that she has the impression from her contacts with ROSALIE that the family continues to be concerned about the subject's failure to contact them.

On April 4, 1958, Mrs. RICHARD POWELL, 7833 Comolette, Downey, California, advised that she has observed that the DESIMONE family wash does not include male attire, and for this reason she believes the subject is not at home. She said when the subject is home the DESIMONE wash line, which is visible from the POWELL residence, includes many white shirts and other items which she assumes only the subject would wear inasmuch as he is the only male known to be living at those premises. She said she has not been in recent contact with the subject's family but would attempt to see them and, if possible, determine the subject's whereabouts and immediately inform this office.

On April 4, 1958, it was ascertained that the residence at 7832 Adoree Street, Downey, California, is occupied by THEODORE WORMLEY who is employed by the Union Oil Company at 17103 South Central Avenue, Compton, California. This information was obtained on March 28, 1958, by IC JOHN E. SANTOS from the records of the Southern California Gas Company.

T-5 on April 4, 1958, advised SAA STINE that the subject's mother and sister, ROSALIE, have not visited their old friends and appear to be embarrassed over the fact that the subject has been the subject of several newspaper stories

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in the local press. T-5 mentioned that the Federal Narcotics Bureau is evidently looking for the subject in order to serve a subpoena. T-5 said it has not been possible to engage the subject's mother in an extended conversation about him. T-5 stated that Mrs. DESIMONE does not respond to questions concerning her son, except to state generally that she would rest easier if she knew where and how he is.

