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wired with burglar alarms, etc. It is to be noted FOREMAN's office space is located in a row-type two story building, for example, one door enters a bank then the next door enters the lower stairway leading up to FOREMAN's office on the second floor of the building. In addition, in this same row block of buildings a restaurant, bar, etc, are located. It is to be noted a survey of FOREMAN's building reflects the premises have been undergoing remodeling in the past few months. It is my sincere opinion that to utilize any investigative technique other than a tesur the risk would be too great for the anticipated results.

It will be noted in referenced Dallas teletype Dallas requests that this office attempt to determine if CIVELLO was in Houston approximately one month ago. Although no information has been developed positively by this office to this effect, it is only natural to presume that CIVELLO was in Houston to confer with FOREMAN inasmuch as on 4/15/61 when Attorney FOREMAN telephonically contacted this office he advised that CIVELLO was at that time in his, FOREMAN's, office. This data was set forth to the Bureau and Dallas in Houston airtel dated 4/18/61.

Dallas is requested to follow the activities of EDWARD ARTHUR STRICKLAND through Dallas PCI, an attorney representing STRICKLAND, in order that this office can be advised in the event STRICKLAND contemplates coming to Houston so that STRICKLAND and any of his associates might be placed under appropriate surveillance to determine their contacts in Houston. This would likewise apply to subject CIVELLO.

Dallas is requested to immediately secure the most recent photograph of STRICKLAND who was arrested by the Dallas Sheriff's Office 9/2/60, and forward same to this office for assistance in conducting a surveillance in the event Dallas determines that STRICKLAND is coming to Houston.

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Dallas is likewise requested to furnish this office with the most current photograph of CIVELLO in the event a surveillance of subject is necessary by this office in the near future.

Dallas should keep Houston advised relative to Dallas contacts with the PCI attorney who represents STRICKLAND.

CIVELLO SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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Joseph Francis Civello investigation as a top informant of Dallas. Informant an attorney, advised [redacted] month ago he attended meeting in Houston on behalf of his client whom he did not reveal. Purpose of meeting was to organize racket in Abilene, Tex., and adjoining counties. "Texas Representative to Apalachin Meeting" (Joseph Francis Civello) was present along with others, including Attorney Percy Foreman. Foreman represents the whole group. Client of informant carries weekly gambling receipts from Dallas to Las Vegas and has flown to Chicago on one occasion for same purpose. Client of informant possibly one Edward Arthur Strickland, used car salesman, Dallas. Matter being followed closely by Houston and Dallas Divisions.

The damage to this document was done prior to the JFK review.

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URGENT 4-19-61 1-27 PM CST MH
TO DIRECTOR /92-2824/ AND SAC HOUSTON /94-192/
FROM SAC DALLAS 92-36 3P

JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO, AKA, AR. DALLAS PCI, AN ATTORNEY WITH WHOM
CONTACT INSUFFICIENT TO JUDGE RELIABILITY, FURNISHED FOLLOWING INFO ON

APRIL APR EIGHTEEN LAST. A CLIENT, WHOSE NAME PCI WOULD NOT REVEAL, RE-
PORTEDLY PAYING HIGH RETAINER FEE TO PCI FOR PERSONAL REPRESENTATION,
ADVISED ABOUT MONTH AGO HE ATTENDED MEETING IN HOUSTON. PURPOSE OF
MEETING WAS TO ORGANIZE POLICY RACKET IN ABILENE, TEX, AND ADJOINING
COUNTIES. CLIENT SAID "TEXAS REPRESENTATIVE TO APALACHIN MEETING"
WAS PRESENT ALONG WITH HOUSTON CRIMINAL ATTORNEY PERCY FOREMAN. PCI
COULD NOT RECALL NAMES OF OTHERS PRESENT. CLIENT STATED PERCY FORE-
MAN REPRESENTS THE WHOLE GROUP. CLIENT DESIRES PCI TO REPRESENT HIM
PERSONALLY. CLIENT STATED HE CARRIES GAMBLING RECEIPTS WEEKLY FROM
DALLAS TO LAS VEGAS, NEV, VIA CONTINENTAL AIRLINES. SAID HE HAS ALSO
FLOWN TO CHICAGO ON ONE OCCASION FOR SAME PURPOSE. CLIENT SAID THERE
IS NO POLICY RACKET IN DALLAS AT PRESENT BUT AT HOUSTON MEETING DIS-
CUSSED ORGANIZING SAME WHEN SHERIFF BILL DECKER, DALLAS, RETIRES.

CLIENT KEPT REFERRING TO MEETING AND HIS SUPERIORS AS THE "SYNDICATE."
PCI ADVISED HE HAD APPOINTMENT TO MEET CLIENT AT CLIENT-S PLACE OF
BUSINESS APR EIGHTEEN. DESCRIBED CLIENT AS PREVIOUSLY SERVING FEDERAL

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INFORMANT APRIL

SENTENCE FOR FRAUD. DISCREET SUERVEILLANCE INSTITUTED ON PCI APR EIGHTEEN. AT TWO TWENTYEIGHT PM PCI OBSERVED MEETING INDIVIDUAL

INFORMANT

IDENTIFIED AS EDWARD ARTHUR STRICKLAND, FBI NO. FOUR ONE FOUR SEVEN FOUR TWO B, AT L&S USED CAR LOT, HIGHWAY EIGHTY, MESQUITE, TEX. PCI

INFORMANT

APRIL

WAS WITH STRICKLAND UNTIL THREE ZERO EIGHT PM. MORNING APR NINETEEN

INFORMANT

APRIL

INFORMATION

PCI ADVISED HE MET CLIENT APR EIGHTEEN AND OBTAINED FURTHER INFO. IT

INFORMANT

SHOULD BE NOTED SURVEILLANCE WAS MAINTAINED ON PCI, AND STRICKLAND

U.S. DISTRICT COURT

WAS ONLY INDIVIDUAL CONTACTED. STRICKLAND CONVICTED USDC, NORTHERN

DISTRICT TEXAS

VIOLATION SECTION

DIST OF TEX, DALLAS, MAY TWENTYFIVE, FIFTYFOUR, VIOL SEC ONE THREE

TITLE

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BUREAU FILE

FOUR THREE, F EIGHTEEN, USC, FOR SCHEME TO DEFRAUD BY WIRE, BUFILE

EIGHTYSEVEN DASH TWO ZERO EIGHT NINE SEVEN, DALLAS FILE EIGHTYSEVEN

DASH TWO FIVE ZERO FOUR. SERVED TIME USP, LEAVENWORTH. LAST KNOWN

ARREST DALLAS SO, SEPT TWO, SIXTY, FOR WARRANT BY SMITH CO, TEX, CHARGE

DALLAS SHERIFF OFFICE

THEFT UNDER, NO DISPOSITION. DL-SO FILES REFLECT STRICKLAND DESCRIBED

WHITE MALE

TEXAS

WM, BORN SEPT TWELVE, TWENTYONE, DUBLIN, TEX, FIVE EIGHT AND ONE-

COMPLEXION

HALF, TWO HUNDRED EIGHT, BROWN EYES, RED /BALDING/ HAIR, RUDDY COMP,

USED CAR SALESMAN, WIFE LINDAL, MOTHER GERTRUDE STRICKLAND, ONE FOUR

TEXAS

ZERO TWO COTTONWOOD, ABILENE, TEX. RECORDS CONTINENTAL AIRLINES,

DALLAS, REFLECT APR THIRTEEN LAST STRICKLAND /FNU/ LEFT TELEPHONE NO.