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# Memorandum

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GRADY C. DURHAM

GRADY C. DURHAM was a practicing attorney in the city of New Orleans until approximately January 1, at which time he disappeared and his current whereabouts is unknown. PCI BETTY PARENT advised on 5/14/62 that GRADY C. DURHAM is a nephew of Governor JIMMIE H. DAVIS, Governor of Louisiana, and was very close to Governor DAVIS politically. This source advised that charges had been filed in the Criminal District Court, Parish of Orleans, alleging that DURHAM had misappropriated a client's funds. Various reports have been received by the source alleging that DURHAM has gone to Australia or Mexico. His current whereabouts is unknown. Source advised that most of her information was received from JACK MARTIN, a private detective and his associate WILLIAM WAYNE DALZELL.

Source advised that JACK MARTIN, at the request of GRADY DURHAM, went to DURHAM's law office where he obtained all of DURHAM's files and papers and secreted them to prevent their falling into the hands of the local authorities. Source advised that MARTIN, while examining the records, called WILLIAM WAYNE DALZELL, his associate, on the telephone and listed all of the files and the amount of money that DURHAM had misappropriated and DALZELL recorded this information.

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