



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

CLYDE A. TOLSON

PART 4 OF 10

BUFILE: 67-9524

DESCRIPTION OF FOLLOWING FILE MATERIAL

TOLSON, CLYDE A.

67-9524

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Name: Clyde A. Olsen

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C. A. TOLSON
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FBI PERSONNEL STATUS FORM

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

(Please type or print clearly)

DATE January 18, 1972

MY STATUS WITH RESPECT TO THE ITEMS BELOW IS AS FOLLOWS:

(A) NAME: Tolson, Clyde A. (B) DATE OF BIRTH May 22, 1900 (C) SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER 577-60-2204

(D) MARITAL STATUS: SINGLE MARRIED DIVORCED SEPARATED WIDOW WIDOWER

SPOUSE: NAME (maiden if female) _____ AGE _____

RESIDENCE ADDRESS IF IT DIFFERS FROM YOURS _____

PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT _____

(E) NAMES OF YOUR IMMEDIATE RELATIVES: (if deceased, so state) (use supplemental sheet if necessary)

1. CHILDREN, STEPCHILDREN, THEIR SPOUSES	RELATIONSHIP	AGE (if known)	RESIDENCE (City and State) (if known)

2. PARENTS (including foster parents, stepparents, guardian, etc.), BROTHERS, SISTERS & THEIR SPOUSES	RELATIONSHIP	AGE (if known)	RESIDENCE (City and State) (if known)
<u>Mrs. J. W. Tolson</u>	<u>Mother</u>		<u>Deceased</u>
<u>Mr. J. W. Tolson</u>	<u>Father</u>		<u>Deceased</u>
<u>Mr. Hillory A. Tolson</u>	<u>Brother</u>		<u>5200 Sangamore Road, Wash, DC</u>

3. YOUR SPOUSE'S PARENTS, BROTHERS & SISTERS	RELATIONSHIP	AGE (if known)	RESIDENCE (City and State) (if known)

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(F) NAMES OF ALL RELATIVES INCLUDING THOSE BY MARRIAGE NOW OR PREVIOUSLY EMPLOYED BY THE FBI:

NAME	EXACT RELATIONSHIP	PRESENT EMPLOYEE	FORMER EMPLOYEE
Hillory A. Tolson	Brother	Retired	Former empl.
James Walter Tolson	Nephew	Do not know	" "

(G) NAMES OF ALL RELATIVES INCLUDING THOSE BY MARRIAGE NOW IN GOVERNMENT SERVICE: (excluding FBI)

NAME	EXACT RELATIONSHIP	GOVERNMENT AGENCY WHERE EMPLOYED

(H) ORGANIZATIONS: ALL EMPLOYEES list all organizations to which you presently belong - do not abbreviate. ONLY SPECIAL AGENTS list former membership in Boy Scouts (indicating exact rank attained) and affiliation with fraternal, honorary or professional groups while in college. NON-AGENTS need not list former memberships at any time.

NAME	PRESENT (All Employees)	FORMER (Agents Only)	CITY AND STATE
Sigma Nu Fraternity			Washington, D. C
Phi Delta Phi Fraternity			" "
Masonic Order			
I. A. C. P.			
Numerous State Law Enforcement Groups			

(I) CURRENT SCHOOL ATTENDANCE STATUS (NON-AGENTS only): ARE YOU ATTENDING COLLEGE, OR ANY OTHER TYPE OF SCHOOL? NO YES INDICATE NAME OF INSTITUTION AND SUBJECTS IN WHICH ENROLLED.

(J) PERSON TO BE NOTIFIED IN CASE OF EMERGENCY:

NAME Hon. J. Edgar Hoover RELATIONSHIP Associate
STREET ADDRESS FBI
CITY AND STATE Washington, D. C. ZIP CODE _____

Clyde A. Tolson
(Signature)

Associate Director, FBI

(Title)

VOCATION RECORD

DATE April 12, 1945

NAME TOLSON CLYDE ANDERSON TITLE OF POSITION ASS'T. TO THE DIRECTOR

Last First Middle

(Use legal signature and PRINT)

PLACE OF ASSIGNMENT WASHINGTON, D. C.

EDUCATION:

College or University GEORGE WASHINGTON

ENTERED ON DUTY APRIL 2 1928
Month Day Year

Location WASHINGTON D C
City State

Degrees AB & LLB Major Minor

Federal U.S. SUPREME COURT Year 1935 CPA

BARS: State DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA Year 1928 State Year

FOREIGN LANGUAGE ABILITY:

PROFICIENCY

Spanish
Language

Read: Excellent Good Fair
Speak (Converse): Excellent Good Fair
Understand: Excellent Good Fair
Translate: Without dictionary With

Source of proficiency: Native Tongue Academic Years Studied 2 SIS

Foreign Travel Countries Length Dates

Language Read: Excellent Good Fair
Speak (Converse): Excellent Good Fair
Understand: Excellent Good Fair
Translate: Without dictionary With

Source of proficiency: Native Tongue Academic Years Studied SIS

Foreign Travel Countries Length Dates

List any DIALECTS you are familiar with and your proficiency

PREVIOUS EMPLOYMENT: (Give detailed information regarding previous employment, it is not necessary to list name of employer, but state type of duties performed and what capacity.)

TYPE OF WORK and IN WHAT CAPACITY

PROFICIENCY

YEARS OF EXPERIENCE

SECRETARY TO SECRETARIES OF WAR

9 years

10 MAY 16 1945

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VOCATIONS and AVOCATIONS: Give detailed information regarding any special knowledge, abilities, talents, hobbies, trades, etc., you possess (including athletics.)

	<u>PROFICIENCY</u>	<u>YEARS OF EXPERIENCE</u>
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ORGANIZATIONS: (List all organizations to which you belong, including FRATERNITIES)

Sigma Nu and Phi Delta Phi Fraternities	Washington	D.C.
	City	State
International Ass'n of Chiefs of Police		
	City	State
International Ass'n for Iden		
Advisory Board, International World Police		
Iowa Ass'n of Chiefs of Police	City	State
Sheriff's and Peace Officers Ass'n of Oklahoma	City	State
Maryland Police Chiefs Association		

FOREIGN TRAVEL: (List all foreign countries you have traveled in)

<u>COUNTRY</u>	<u>IN WHAT CAPACITY</u>	<u>DATES</u> (No. of months, etc)
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MILITARY TRAINING: List any experience in any branch of the armed forces, or special training you have had. If you have had service in any military capacity, state branch, rank and number of years.)

SPECIALIZED BUREAU TRAINING and EXPERIENCE: (Check any of the following training you have had.)

	<u>DATES</u>		<u>DATES</u>
_____ Asiatic School	_____	_____ Locks	_____
_____ European School	_____	_____ Chamfering	_____
_____ SIS School	_____	_____ Secret Inks	_____
_____ Police Liaison School	_____	_____ Sound	_____
_____ Police Instructor's School	_____	_____ Microphotography	_____
_____ Major Case School	_____	_____ Tamper Proofing	_____
_____ Chief Clerk's School	_____	_____ Mouflage	_____
_____ Firearms Expert School	_____	_____ Typewriting Alignment	_____
_____ Field Supervisor's School	_____	_____ Supervisor's School	_____
_____ Communism	_____	_____ ASAC School	_____
_____ General Investigative	_____	_____ SAC School	_____
_____ Security	_____	_____ Inspector's School	_____
_____ Selective Service	_____		

ARE YOU A QUALIFIED BUREAU SPEAKER? _____

ARE YOU AVAILABLE FOR AN SIS ASSIGNMENT? _____ LOCATION DESIRED _____

RADIO - SPECIAL QUALIFICATIONS: (State degree of proficiency and length of time spent in the following.)

1. Education or Teaching Experience in:
 - a. Communications or Radio Engineering _____
 - b. Electrical Engineering _____
 - c. College Physics _____
 - d. Vocational or other Radio School _____

2. Practical Experience in Radio:
 - a. Employment as Radio, Electrical or Communications Engineer or Technician _____
 - _____
 - b. Amateur Radio _____ Licenses Held _____
 - c. Commercial Radio Operator _____
 - d. Radio or Sound Repairman or Technician _____

- e. Experimenter or _____
- f. International Morse Code: - Transmit _____ W.P.M. - Receive _____ W.P.M.
- g. Technical Knowledge of any Electronic Devices _____

TYPING ABILITY _____ Words per Minute SHORTHAND ABILITY _____ Words per Minute

MISCELLANEOUS: (List any other information, qualifications and accomplishments.)



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ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, CLYDE TOLSON, FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION,
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE.



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DIRECTOR, ELMER TAMM, FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION,
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE.



981-0-2
ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR, ELMER TAMM, FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION,
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE.



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APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT

DIRECTOR,
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION,
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE,
Washington, D.C.

Washington, D. C.

October 19, 1935.

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SIR:

I hereby make application for appointment to the position indicated by check mark, in the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U.S. Department of Justice, and for your use in this connection submit the following information:

- Special Agent.....
- Special Agent (Accountant).....
- Stenographer.....
- Typist.....
- Messenger.....
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(Indicate by check)

(This application should be typewritten if possible)

1. Name in full (please print) Tolson Clyde Anderson
(Family name) (Given name) (Middle name)

(a) Female applicants must furnish maiden name

2. Legal residence Cedar Rapids, Iowa. (524 South Twelfth Street, East.)

3. Mail and telegraphic address Westchester Apts., Washington, D. C.

4. Date of birth May 22, 1900 Weight Height 5' 11" Color White

5. Place of birth Near Laredo, Missouri.

6. (a) Father's name James W. (b) Father's birthplace Grundy County, Mo.

7. (a) Mother's maiden name Miller (b) Mother's birthplace Grundy County, Mo.

8. If you were not born in United States, how long have you lived here?

9. Are you a citizen of the United States? Yes

10. If naturalized, date and place of naturalization

11. Are you single, married, widowed, separated, or divorced? Single
(Specify)

12. If your husband (or wife) is employed, state where employed

13. Number of children, if any 1-9524-211

14. Are you entirely dependent on your salary? Yes

15. To what extent are you financially indebted to others and to whom? None

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16. Education: (Please print.)

	NAME AND LOCATION OF SCHOOL	FROM-	TO-	COURSES PURSUED, DIPLOMAS OR DEGREES RECEIVED
(a) Elementary	Grammar School, Laredo, Mo.			
(b) High school equivalent	High School, Laredo, Mo.			
(c) College or technical	Cedar Rapids Business College		1918	Graduated
	Geo. Wash. University, Wash DC		1925	A. B. Degree
	" " " " "		1927	LL. B. Degree
(d) Miscellaneous	Passed D. C. Bar Examination			

17. Give names of clubs, societies, and other similar organizations of which you are a member:

Phi Delta Phi Legal Fraternity - Lieut.-Com. - U. S. Naval Reserve.

Sigma Nu General Social Fraternity

18. Are you physically capable of discharging the duties of the position sought? (Any physical defects should be fully described) Yes

19. Health record for the past 3 years (give number of days of illness and nature of ailments):

20. Experience: Please print.)

NAME AND ADDRESS OF EMPLOYEE	POSITION	FROM	TO-	ANNUAL SALARY
War Department Office, Chief of Staff	Stenographer Chief Clerk, Committee on Education & Special Training.	1918 latter part of 1918		
Adjutant General's Office.	Correspondence Clerk	1919	Nov. 1920	
Office of Secretaries of War D. Baker, John W. Weeks, and Dwight F. Davis.	Confidential Secretary	1920	Time of filing application	

21. Have you ever been arrested?

Specify: **No.**

22. Have you ever been a defendant in any court action?

Specify: **No.**

23. Give five personal references (not relatives, former employers, fellow employees, or school teachers), more than 30 years of age, who are householders or property owners, business or professional men or women (including your family physician, if you have one) of good standing in the community, and who have known you well during the past 5 or more years. (Please print.)

NAME	RESIDENCE ADDRESS	NUMBER OF YEARS ACQUAINTED	BUSINESS ADDRESS
1.			
2.			
3.			
4.			
5.			

24. List the names of relatives now in the Government service with the degree of relationship, and where employed:

25. What is the lowest entrance salary you will accept?

26. Are you in a position to accept probationary employment at any time, without previous notice, and, if notice is required, how much?

27. In the event of appointment will you be willing to proceed to Washington, D.C., upon 10 days' notice and at your own expense?

28. If appointed are you willing and prepared to accept assignment or transfer to any part of the United States where services are required, for either temporary or permanent duration?.....

29. Attach unmounted face photograph not larger than 3 by 4 1/4 inches. Write your name plainly on back of photograph. Photograph to be taken *not more than 30 days prior to date of application.*



Respectfully,

Ceyde A. Tolson

(Signature of applicant as usually written)

NOTE.—If the applicant desires to make any further remarks or statements concerning his qualifications or in answer to any question contained in the application, the same should be made on a separate sheet of paper, numbering the remarks in accordance with the original questions.

be subscribed to by all applicants for positions in the Federal Bureau of Investigation before me by the above-named applicant, this day at city (or town) of, county, and State (or Territory or District) of

(Signature of officer)

(Official title)

[OFFICIAL IMPRESSION SEAL]

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT

Washington, D. C.,

January 25, 1928.

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL,
Washington, D. C.

SIR:

I herewith make application for appointment to the position of Special Agent
in the Department of Justice, and for your use in this connection submit the following information:

1. Name in full TOLSON Clyde A.
(Family name) (Given name) (Initial)
2. Legal residence 524 South Twelfth Street, East, Cedar Rapids, IOWA.
3. Mail and telegraphic address 1733 N. Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.
4. Age on last birthday 27. Weight 163. Height 5' 11".
5. (a) Place of birth Near Laredo, Missouri. (b) Present citizenship _____
6. Place of birth of (a) father Grundy County, Mo., (b) mother Grundy Co., Mo.
7. Were you ever in the service of the United States? Departmental service.
8. If so, when, and in what department of the service? Since July, 1918, in War Dept.

9. Are you married? (If married woman, state whether husband is in Federal service.) No.

10. Enumerate (name, relationship, and address) any individuals dependent upon you for maintenance None

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 DIV. OF INVESTIGATION
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11. Are you physically capable of discharging the duties of the position sought? (Any physical defects should be fully described.) Yes

INVESTIGATION ORDERED

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Ans. 1-25-28

BIRTH
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12. Have you ever been a defendant in any court action?

Specify:

13. Education: (Under this head your entire educational training should be given in chronological order, with the period spent in each institution, degrees taken, etc. Knowledge of any languages other than English should be indicated first.)

Limited knowledge of Spanish.

Graduate of grammar school and high school of Laredo, Missouri.

Graduate of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, Business College, 1918.

A. B., George Washington University, Washington, D. C., 1925.

LL. B., George Washington University, Washington, D. C., October, 1927.

At present registered for LL. M. degree at George Washington University.

Applicant states he passed District of Columbia Bar Examination - see letter from applicant dated February 6, 1928.

14. Experience: (Under this head, in chronological order, state your entire business and professional experience, including names of employers and dates.) Passed Civil Service test as stenographer-typist in 1918 and was appointed stenographer in the War Dept., July 12, 1918; during latter part of 1918 was Chief Clerk, Committee on Education and Special Training, Office Chief of Staff; from 1919 to November, 1920, Correspondence Clerk, The Adjutant General's Office; from November, 1920, to the present time, Confidential Clerk to Secretaries of War Newton D. Baker, John W. Weeks, and Dwight F. Davis.

15. Have you ever been discharged from a position? No.

16. References to persons well qualified to judge as to your fitness for the position sought:

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Honorable Dwight F. Davis, Secretary of War, War Department, Washington, D. C.

Honorable Newton D. Baker, former Secretary of War, Union Commerce National Bank Building, Cleveland, Ohio.

Dr. Ed. B. Clements, Republican National Committeeman, The American Hotel, Saint Louis, Missouri.

Major General John A. Hull, Judge Advocate General, United States Army.

Mr. Walter S. Dickey, Owner and Publisher, Kansas City Times, Kansas City, Mo.

Honorable Hanford MacNider, former Assistant Secretary of War, Mason City, Iowa.

Mr. John W. Martyn, Executive Assistant to the Secretary of War, War Department.

Honorable Edward F. Colladay, Republican National Committeeman, Union Trust Building, Washington, D. C.

17. Give names of societies or organizations with which connected:

Phi Delta Phi International Legal Fraternity.

Sigma Nu General Social Fraternity.

First Lieutenant, Officers' Reserve Corps, Military Intelligence Department, U. S. A.

18. State any additional facts which may tend to show your fitness for the position sought:

19. Are you now employed? If so, give name and address of employer, and rate of compensation received. What is the highest compensation you have ever received in any employment, and for what period? Yes. As Confidential Clerk to the Secretary of War. \$2300 per annum.

20. Are you in a position to accept temporary employment at anytime, without previous notice, and, if notice is required, how much? Would not be willing to accept temporary employment.

21. Are you willing and prepared to accept assignment to any part of the United States where services are required, for either temporary or permanent duration? Yes. Would prefer Middle West.

22. Attach unmounted photograph not larger than 3 by 4 1/4 inches. Write your name plainly on back of photograph.

Respectfully,

Clyde A. Tolson
(Signature of applicant)



Return this form to The Attorney General, Department of Justice, Washington, D. C.

If applicant desires to make any further remarks or statement concerning his qualifications or in answer to any question obtained in the application, the same should be made on a separate sheet of paper, numbering the remarks in accordance with original questions.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Tel.: 202-739-3432

George E. Monk, Esquire
Hogan and Hartson
815 Connecticut Avenue
Washington, D.C. 20006

Re: Estate of Clyde A. Tolson, Deceased

Dear Mr. Monk:

We would appreciate receiving a reply to our letter to you of December 1, 1977, a copy of which is enclosed. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

BARBARA ALLEN BABCOCK
Assistant Attorney General
Civil Division

By:

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Stuart E. Schiffer
Chief, Commercial Litigation Section

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Enclosure:

cc: S.A. Joseph W. Montfione
FBI Building, Room 112

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

Assoc. Dir. _____
 Dep. AD Adm. _____
 Dep. AD Inv. _____
 Asst. Dir.:

- Adm. Serv. _____
- Crim. Inv. _____
- Fin. & Pers. _____
- Ident. _____
- Intell. _____
- Laboratory _____
- Legal Coun. _____
- Plan. & Insp. _____
- Rec. Mgnt. _____
- Spec. Inv. _____
- Tech. Serv. _____
- Training _____
- Public Affs. Off. _____
- Telephone Rm. _____
- Director's Sec'y _____

TO : MR. DE BRULER

DATE: 7/20/77

FROM : J. W. O'ROURKE

SUBJECT: MOVEMENT AND PRESENT LOCATION OF
 MEMORABILIA REMOVED FROM OFFICE OF
 FORMER DIRECTOR J. E. HOOVER
 (Bufile 67-561)

Handwritten:
 De Bruler
 4/2/77

Handwritten:
 Clyde A. Tolson

In connection with an inquiry in captioned matter conducted by the former Inspection Division, there are maintained in the space of the Office of Inspections, Planning and Inspection Division, numerous tickler copies of correspondence, principally FD-302s, and other miscellaneous notes and data relating to that inquiry. Also included are the originals of a number of FD-302s reporting results of interviews conducted by members of the Inspection Staff in 9-10/76. The captioned inquiry concerns the need for a judgment as to the final disposition of the memorabilia. This judgment is pending with the Department and is being followed by the Printing and Space Management Section, Administrative Services Division, which has been designated custodian of the material pending final determination.

It should be noted that this memorandum pertains to, and the enclosures contain, material of a sensitive and personal nature and is earmarked for filing in 67-561 which is the personnel file for the late Director Hoover.

ACTION:

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- Attached for filing are the original FD-302s referred to above. Included are varying numbers of carbon copies of these FD-302s to facilitate any necessary cross filing in files of persons interviewed.

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 Place c/c of memo only in Mr. Tolson's file.
 7/27/77

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APPROVED:

Director _____
 Assoc. Dir. _____
 Dep. AD Adm. _____
 Dep. AD Inv. _____

Adm. Serv. _____
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Enclosures

- 1 - Mr. Bassett (Attn: L. M. Quick)
- 1 - Mr. Decker
- 1 - Mr. Keehan
- 1 - Mr. Phillips

ROUTE IN ENVELOPE

SFP:jmh

(5) JUL 29 1977

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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan



Memo to Mr. DeBruler
 Re: Movement and Present Location of
 Memorabilia Removed from Office of
 Former Director J. E. Hoover

2. Also included among the material to be filed are originals or copies of material which was previously disseminated outside the Bureau -- see Bufile 67-561-406 and 407; however, copies of the material were not then placed in file with the yellows of the outgoing-communications as they should have been. This memorandum rectifies that situation.

JWB
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APPROVED:

Director _____
 Assoc. Dir. _____
 Dep. AD Adm. _____
 Dep. AD Inv. _____

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 Crim. Inv. _____
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 Ident. _____
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 Laboratory _____

Legal Coun. _____
 Plan. & Insp. _____
 Rec. Mgmt. *JWB*
 Spec. Inv. _____
 Tech. Servs. _____
 Training _____
 Public Affs. Off. _____

3. Tickler copies of other materials and other miscellaneous notes -- duplicative and/or of no discernible value -- are being destroyed.

JWB
Q

APPROVED:

Director _____
 Assoc. Dir. _____
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December 8, 1976

REL:SGW:rme

Tel: 202-739-3432

Mr. George Monk
Hogan & Martson
815 Connecticut Avenue
Washington, D.C. 20006

Re: Ownership of Property Which May Have Passed
under the J. Edgar Hoover & Clyde A. Tolson
Wills

Dear Mr. Monk:

Pursuant to a telephone conversation between you and Mrs. Sarah Wilcox of this staff early last week, enclosed are copies of inventories which have been made by Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) representatives of certain property which was formerly located in the suite of offices occupied by the late J. Edgar Hoover. It is now stored under the control of the FBI.

It is our understanding that Miss Helen W. Gandy, former Executive Assistant to the Director, directed the removal of the material from the suite of offices occupied by Mr. Hoover at the time of his death and designated the items which she believed Mr. Hoover considered his personal property and those which she believed he would have considered to be FBI property. The former material was removed to Mr. Hoover's home; the latter was boxed and stored in the custody of the FBI.

The material includes awards, plaques, mounted editorials and articles from various publications; congratulatory messages on anniversaries or other occasions; photographs; caricatures as well as editorial cartoons; certificates and honorary degrees; Federal Bureau of Investigation athletic trophies; scrapbook articles; and other miscellaneous items.

It is described in the enclosed specific inventory of 18 boxes of awards and plaques, and general inventory of 63 boxes, packets and containers containing editorials and

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articles, congratulatory messages, photographs, caricatures, editorial cartoons, certificates, honorary degrees and other miscellaneous items.

The Attorney General has requested that appropriate steps be made to dispose of this considerable material. It is, therefore, necessary to determine the lawful ownership of the property.

It is our understanding that when Mr. Hoover's estate was inventoried in connection with the probating of his will, the existence of this material in the custody of the FBI was not brought to the attention of the appraiser or the Court. It is not known whether or not Mr. Tolson, the executor, residual beneficiary, Deputy, and long-time friend of Mr. Hoover, knew of its existence.

If the material now in the custody of the FBI was the property of Mr. Hoover, it would have passed to Mr. Tolson under the residuary clause of Mr. Hoover's will. To the extent the executor under the Tolson will should choose to include it in the trust contemplated in Item 7 of the second codicil of Mr. Tolson's will and to the extent that the United States chose to accept it, it would become the property of the United States.

After you and Mr. John P. ~~Mohr~~, the executor, have had an opportunity to examine the enclosed inventories, we would appreciate an opportunity to meet with you to explore procedures for finally establishing ownership of the property now held by the FBI. Please telephone Mrs. Wilcox on 739-3432.

Yours very truly,

REX E. LEE
Assistant Attorney General
Civil Division

By:

Stuart E. Schiffer
Chief, Commercial Litigation Section

Enc.: Inventories

cc: Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C. 20535 ✓
Attn.: Civil Litigation Unit

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May 28, 1976

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Robert J. Elliott, Esq.
Hogan & Hartson
815 Connecticut Avenue
Washington, D. C. 20006

Dear Mr. Elliott:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of May 17, 1976, concerning the estate of Mr. Clyde Tolson, and your request to be advised of the identity and, if available, the whereabouts of the immediate supervisor of Mr. Walter Tolson at the time of his termination from the FBI.

I regret that privacy considerations preclude me from furnishing you the information requested.

Sincerely yours,

[Handwritten signature]

Eugene W. Walsh
Assistant Director
Finance and Personnel Division

MAILED 6
MAY 28 1976
FBI

- 1 - Mr. Decker (Sent Direct)
- 1 - Mr. Mintz (Sent Direct)

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- Assoc. Dir. (5)
- Dep. AD Adm. _____
- Dep. AD Inv. _____
- Ast. Dir.:
 - Adm. Serv. _____
 - Ext. Affairs _____
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 - Director Sec'y _____

NOTE: Based on memo Burns to Walsh dated 5/27/76, GLM:djn/pms.

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APPROVED: _____

Assoc. Dir. _____	Ext. Affairs _____	Laboratory _____
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TO : Mr. Walsh

DATE: 5/27/76

FROM : S. R. Burns *SRB*

SUBJECT: ESTATE OF CLYDE TOLSON

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PURPOSE: To advise law firm representing former Assistant to the Director John P. Mohr, executor of Tolson's estate, has requested identity and whereabouts of supervisor of former SA Walter Tolson and to recommend we decline to do so in view of privacy considerations. Letter attached.

DETAILS: Robert J. Elliott of the law firm of Hogan & Hartson, Washington, D. C., by letter 5/17/76, advised the firm represents John Mohr, the nominated executor of Clyde Tolson. The letter makes reference to the nephew of the late Associate Director, Walter Tolson, and advises as part of the preparation of the case they desire to know the identity and, if available, the whereabouts of the immediate supervisor of Walter Tolson at the time of his termination in 1961 from the Bureau.

Walter James Tolson EOD as a clerk in the Bureau in 1947, was appointed SA in 1955, and resigned in 1962. He was assigned to the Richmond Division as of 1957, and worked in the Alexandria Resident Agency from 1958 until his resignation. SA Tolson resigned without giving advance notice and it was determined that he may have left the area [REDACTED]

The SAC of the Richmond Division at that time was Earl E. Brown, who retired in 1968. His address in 1968 was indicated as [REDACTED]

and resides at [REDACTED] Upon contact [REDACTED] stated he did not want his name or location furnished in this matter.

Legal Counsel Division has advised that the law firm representing Mr. Mohr should be advised that we are unable to furnish the requested information inasmuch as privacy considerations would preclude us from doing so.

RECOMMENDATION: That attached letter be approved and sent to the law firm of Hogan & Hartson.

Enclosure
1 - Mr. Decker
1 - Mr. Mintz
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WRITER'S DIRECT DIAL NUMBER

331-4628

May 17, 1976

Assistant Director
Personnel and Finance Division
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Pennsylvania Avenue between
Ninth and Tenth Streets, N.W.
Washington, D.C.

Re: Estate of Clyde Tolson

Dear Sir:

I am writing to you in my capacity as counsel involved in the Will contest affecting the estate of the late Clyde Tolson. In particular, we represent John Mohr, the nominated executor of Clyde Tolson.

We are informed that the late Mr. Tolson's nephew, ~~Walter Tolson~~, was employed at the Bureau for a period of 18 years, terminating in 1961. As part of the preparation of our case, we desire to know the identity (and, if available, the whereabouts) of the immediate supervisor of Mr. Walter Tolson at the time of his termination in 1961 from the Bureau.

We would be most grateful for any assistance that you may furnish.

Sincerely,

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Robert J. Elliott

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TO : Mr. Jenkins

DATE: 1-30-76

FROM : D. W. Moore, Jr.

SUBJECT: INQUIRY FROM SCOTT ARMSTRONG
THE WASHINGTON POST

On the afternoon of January 30, 1976, Scott Armstrong of "The Washington Post" telephonically contacted my office and spoke with SA Coll. He commented that he was doing a piece for tomorrow morning's "Post" and indicated that he had information that Associate Director Callahan had witnessed Clyde Tolson's signature on a Power of Attorney and subsequent thereto in a sworn deposition stated that he, Callahan, did not actually observe Mr. Tolson's signing the Power of Attorney and he did not believe it to be Mr. Tolson's signature. Armstrong stated that he would like to obtain a comment from Mr. Kelley concerning the possibility of this matter reflecting on the integrity of a high ranking Bureau official.

After discussing the matter with Messrs. Boynton, Mintz, Callahan, and Director Kelley, SA Coll advised Armstrong that Mr. Kelley did not feel that he should comment whatsoever in this matter as it was strictly a private matter and in no way connected with Mr. Callahan's official position. He was also advised that the matter is still in litigation and all facts have not been resolved and the possibility exists that there are explanations other than the one which he, Armstrong, implied. It was also indicated to Armstrong that it was hoped that he had reviewed the entire deposition, particularly the explanation given by Mr. Callahan on Pages 32 and 33 of the deposition and that he would objectively portray what the deposition revealed. He was again informed that this matter had nothing to do with Mr. Callahan's official duties and related solely to his personal activities.

Mr. Armstrong implied that this was a matter that he certainly did not relish working on; however, it was something that he had to do. He commented that he has talked to numerous

- 1 - Mr. Callahan
- 1 - Mr. Adams
- 1 - Mr. Jenkins
- 1 - Mr. Mintz
- 1 - Mr. Moore

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D. W. Moore to Jenkins memo
RE: INQUIRY FROM SCOTT ARMSTRONG

people today desiring to fully resolve the matter and has not been too successful. He also indicated that he had run the matter by their Legal Department and the Legal Department looked on the matter differently since Mr. Callahan had given a sworn deposition, had reviewed the deposition, and, although he had not actually signed the deposition, he had replied in writing indicating approval of the deposition with minor changes. He commented that he would use quotes from the deposition and that he would "proceed cautiously."

RECOMMENDATION:

For information.

[Handwritten initials and marks]
TBC
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December 12, 1975

Mr. Rolland G. Lamensdorf
408 Federal Bar Building
1815 H Street, Northwest
Washington, D. C. 20006

Clyde A. Tolson

Dear Mr. Lamensdorf:

In response to your inquiry during the deposition in your office on December 11, 1975, you are advised as follows:

Question: Were you in the D. C. area on August 14, 1972?

Answer: No, I was out of the area.

Very truly yours,



Nicholas P. Callahan

1 - Mr. Robert Elliott

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TO : Mr. J. B. Adams

DATE: 11/24/75

FROM : Legal Counsel *JAM*

SUBJECT: ESTATE OF CLYDE A. TOLSON, DECEASED
SUPERIOR COURT ADMINISTRATION #868-75
SUBPOENA FOR FBI RECORDS

By letter dated November 19, 1975, Rolland G. Lamensdorf served on Mr. Callahan, as the Associate Director of the FBI, a subpoena issued in the Probate Division of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia in captioned estate matter directing Mr. Callahan to appear in Mr. Lamensdorf's office on December 11, 1975, at 10:00 a. m., and to bring with him "(1) all medical records, leave records and daily logs pertaining to Clyde A. Tolson, former Associate Director of the FBI, from January 1, 1964 through the date of the final retirement of Clyde A. Tolson. (2) All correspondence pertaining to the retirement and/or resignation of Clyde A. Tolson when he reached the age of 70 and his final resignation and/or retirement in 1972." Attached to the subpoena was a check payable to Nicholas P. Callahan in the amount of \$20.80 dated November 19, 1975, signed by Mr. Lamensdorf. The check was enclosed pursuant to the rules of court for the subpoena fee and a mileage allowance.

In response to the subpoena the following are my observations and recommendations. The check should be endorsed by Mr. Callahan as the Associate Director of the FBI and forwarded to the Administrative Division for appropriate inclusion in the general funds of the Government. Necessary expenses for Government employees called as witnesses are paid by the Federal Government. Employees are not permitted to accept fees and expenses for such services personally. The subpoena calls for records from

- 1 - Mr. Callahan
- 1 - Mr. Walsh
- 1 - Mr. McDermott
- 1 - Mr. Mintz

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Memorandum to Mr. Adams
Re: ESTATE OF CLYDE A TOLSON, DECEASED
SUPERIOR COURT ADMINISTRATION #868-75
SUBPOENA FOR FBI RECORDS

January 1, 1964. A review of personnel file No.67-9524, Section 4, determined that the file contains no reports of annual physical examination or other personal medical records of Mr. Tolson. The file does contain correspondence relating to his retirement at age 70 during 1970, and his subsequent separation as a re-employed annuitant in 1972. Serials 446, 447, ⁴⁴⁸451, 452, 453, 464 and 465 appear to relate to these matters. In addition, items of unrecorded material which may be relevant were marked by slips of paper for convenient reference.

Mr. Tolson's leave records were reviewed and appropriate notations were made on slips of paper attached to the record cards for convenience in locating references to his retirement in 1970 and sick leave entries. The leave records made available begin with the date January 19, 1964. The subpoena requested such records from January 1, 1964; therefore, additional records from January 1 through January 18, 1964 must be secured. *(Done)*

There is no record in the files reviewed of Mr. Tolson's daily logs. Such records may have been included in personal files and not recorded in official FBI files.

RECOMMENDATION:

In accordance with the requirements of the Code of Federal Regulations 28. CFR, Section 16.21 through Section 16.26, the Director approve Mr. Callahan's appearance in response to the subpoena and the production of the requested file materials* as indicated.

* *Copies attached.*

*det per Mr. J. B. Callahan
to J. B. Callahan 12/27/72*

OK *Done*

JM

LAW OFFICES
ROLLAND G. LAMENSDORF
408 FEDERAL BAR BUILDING
1815 H STREET, N.W.
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20006
TELEPHONE (202) 393-1565

November 19, 1975

Mr. Nicholas P. Callahan
Associate Director, F.B.I.
FBI Building
Pennsylvania Avenue between 9th and
10th Streets, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20535

In Re: Estate of Clyde A. Tolson, deceased.
Superior Court Adm. #868-75

Dear Mr. Callahan:

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In accordance with Rule 45(c) of the Rules of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia I am sending you herewith by Certified Mail the attached subpoena for your attendance in my office on Thursday, December 11, 1975 at 10:00 a.m. for the purpose of taking your deposition. You will note that the subpoena directs you to bring with you certain records and other matters pertaining to Clyde A. Tolson.

*Done
11/19/75*

There is also attached to the subpoena my personal check payable to your order in the sum of \$20.80, as prescribed by the Rules of Court, to cover subpoena fee and mileage allowance.

*To Oliver
Director
11/19/75*

Sincerely yours,

*Check detached
for deposit
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Rolland G. Lamensdorf

Rolland G. Lamensdorf
Check for \$20.80 detached and sent to the Federal Reserve Bank, Richmond, VA. See Certificate of Deposit and Schedule of Collection # 180, dated 12/19/75.

RGL:kjr
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CERTIFIED MAIL NO. 472351

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CIVIL SUBPOENA

Superior Court of the District of Columbia

PROBATE DIVISION

In Re Estate of Clyde A. Tolson
(Deceased)

Administration No. 868-75

HILLORY A. TOLSON
Plaintiff.

VS
JOHN P. MOHR
Defendant.

To: Nicholas P. Callahan, Associate Director, F.B.I., FBI Building,
Pennsylvania Avenue between 9th & 10th Streets, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20535

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear in ~~XXXXXX~~ (the office of Rolland G. Lamensdorf, Suite 408, 1815 H Street, N.W., Washington, D.C.) to give testimony in the above-entitled cause on the 11th day of December, 1975, at 10:00 o'clock a.m. (and bring with you) (1) All medical records, leave records and daily logs pertaining to Clyde A. Tolson, former Associate Director of the FBI, from January 1, 1964 through the date of the final retirement of Clyde A. Tolson. (2) All correspondence pertaining to the retirement and/or resignation of Clyde A. Tolson when he reached the age of 70 and his final resignation and/or retirement in 1972. and do not depart without leave.

PETER J. McLAUGHLIN
Register of Wills,
Clerk of the Probate Division.

By *Peter J. McLaughlin*
Deputy Register

Date November 19, 1975

Rolland G. Lamensdorf
(Attorney for Plaintiff.
~~XXXXXXXXXX~~)

RETURN OF SERVICE

Summoned the above-named witness by delivering a copy to h and tendering to h the fees for one day's attendance and mileage allowed by laws, on the _____ day of _____, 19____, at _____

Dated _____

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a _____ this _____ day _____, 19____

Note. Affidavit required only if service is made by a person other than a U. S. Marshall or his deputy.

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Tolson Brother Challenges Will

Says Hoover's FBI Aide Was Duped

By Winston Groom

Washington Star Staff Writer

Clyde A. Tolson, who served as J. Edgar Hoover's No. 2 man at the FBI, was mentally ill for years before his death last April and was duped by another high FBI official and "others" into willing them vast sums of money which he had received from Hoover's estate, Tolson's oldest brother has charged.

In a petition contesting Tolson's will, Hillary A. Tolson accused the former No. 3 man at the FBI, John P. Mohr, of conspiring with others to extract a will from Tolson shortly before his death. The will leaves Mohr and other friends of Tolson sums of money ranging up to \$30,000.

IN THE PETITION, filed in the probate office of D.C. Superior Court, Hillary Tolson claimed that Mohr and "others" employed "fraud, duress, coercion and undue influence" on the ailing Tolson in order to become heirs to an estate valued at more than \$600,000 — most of which was left to Tolson by his close friend, Hoover.

Mohr, 63, the executor of the estate, was the No. 3 man at the FBI under Hoover and Tolson. He retired two years ago. He lives in Arlington.

Under terms of the will, Hillary Tolson, currently executive director of the White House Historical Association and Clyde Tolson's only next-of-kin, was disinherited.

The will leaves Tolson's holdings — which include \$430,000 in cash and stocks, \$70,000 in oil and mineral leases and Hoover's house on 30th Place NW, bequeathed to Tolson by Hoover — to 15 heirs, most of whom were old friends or retainers of Tolson and Hoover.

"TO MY BROTHER, Hillary A. Tolson, and his children, James Walter Tolson and Pamela Tolson Holst, I leave nothing by this will," Tolson wrote in the contested document.

"The purported will and testament was procured from (Tolson) by fraud and deceit exercised upon him by (Mohr) and other persons unknown," the petition claims.

It asks that the court set aside the will and appoint Hillary Tolson as executor in place of Mohr to administer the assets of the estate. It asks for a trial before jury.

"As far as I know, they were on the best of terms. There were no problems between the brothers," Hillary Tolson's attorney, Rolland G. Lamensdorf, said last night.

Named most prominently in the will were Mohr, who is to receive \$26,000; Annie Fields, Hoover's — then Tolson's — housekeeper, who would receive \$32,000 plus the home furnishings; James E. Crawford, Hoover's and Tolson's chauffeur, \$32,000, and Dorothy Skillman, Tolson's secretary, \$27,000.

Also named as legatees in the will are Tolson's three physicians, Drs. Joseph V. Kennedy, William Wardrop and Robert Choissers. Each is due to receive \$15,000 in cash under terms of amendments to the will signed only months before Tolson's death.

Other major heirs in the will include the Boys Clubs of America and The Damon Runyon Foundation for Cancer Research.

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IN HIS PETITION Hillary Tolson said his brother was extremely ill, both mentally and physically, for "many years" before he allegedly signed the document and that he was not "in any way capable of making a will."

Moreover, the petition charges that "none of the purported writing in the (will) is the codicil of (Tolson)" and that the "witnesses did not sign their names in the presence or at the request of (Tolson)."

The petition says Tolson suffered two severe strokes, high blood pressure, hypertension, a cerebral vascular disease, advanced arteriosclerosis during the eight years before his death at 74. Tolson retired from the FBI after Hoover died in 1972.

"He was unable to maintain his equilibrium while standing and had difficulty in the movement of his extremities. He was actually unable to

care for his own needs," the petition says.

"AS A RESULT of (Tolson's) weakened condition," the petition says, "(Mohr) and those in collaboration with him, prevented others, including (Hillary Tolson) from seeing him."

In his last days, according to the petition, Tolson "became a virtual recluse," and "his speech became slurred and he was often incoherent and confused."

He was "easy prey for the undue influence and coercion exhibited upon him by (Mohr) and those in concert with (Mohr)," the petition says.



CLYDE TOLSON
Will Contested

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August 21, 1975

1 - Mrs. Metzalf
1 - Mr. Mintz

Rolland G. Lamensdorf, Esq.
1815 H Street, Northwest
Washington, D. C. 20006

Dear Mr. Lamensdorf:

Your letter of August 6, 1975, repeated your request to discuss with me my contacts with the late Clyde A. Tolson. As I indicated previously, it would be more convenient if you would pose written questions. That procedure has been followed in regard to similar inquiries from other counsel interested in the estate of Mr. Tolson and it has proven to be satisfactory.

I hope you will agree that fairness requires me to respond to your inquiries in a form consistent with the responses given others similarly situated.

Sincerely yours,

C. M. Kelley

Clarence M. Kelley
Director

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NOTE: Based on incoming letter from Mr. Lamensdorf, 8/6/75.

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 408 FEDERAL BAR BUILDING
 1815 H STREET, N. W.
 WASHINGTON, D. C. 20006
 TELEPHONE (802) 393-1565

August 6, 1975

Mr. Clarence M. Kelley
 Director
 United States Department of Justice
 Federal Bureau of Investigation
 Washington, D.C. 20535

Dear Mr. Kelley:

I wish to acknowledge receipt of and thank you for your letter of July 16, 1975 in response to my desire to meet with you at your convenience for a very short period of time in regard to your contacts with the late Clyde A. Tolson during the last three years of his life.

Unfortunately, I believe it would be necessary for me to meet in person with you in this regard rather than pose written questions as you suggested. I could, however, speak with you over the telephone if that is more convenient.

If you find you do have time for me to come to your office, or to speak with me over the telephone, please inform me accordingly.

Sincerely,

Rolland G. Lamensdorf
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August 21, 1975

- 1 - Mrs. Metcalf
- 1 - Mr. Mintz
- 1 - Mr. Herington

Robert J. Elliott, Esq.
 815 Connecticut Avenue, Northwest
 Washington, D.C. 20006

Dear Mr. Elliott:

In response to your letter of August 7, 1975, concerning the estate of the late Clyde A. Tolson, the following is being furnished in response to your specific questions.

(1) When did you first become acquainted with Mr. Clyde A. Tolson and under what circumstances?

I do not recall the specific date when I first met Mr. Tolson. I served in the FBI as a Special Agent from October 7, 1949, until my retirement on October 24, 1961, at which time I was Special Agent in Charge of one of the offices of the FBI. I first met Mr. Tolson during the course of that employment and my relationship with him was limited to matters of official business.

(2) How many times, approximately, did you see and talk with Mr. Clyde A. Tolson between May 3, 1972 (his date of retirement from the FBI) and April 14, 1975 (date of his death)?

Twice.

(3) When and where were the visit or visits described in (2) above, and who else, if anyone, was present besides Mr. Tolson and you?

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Robert J. Elliott, Esq.

I saw Mr. Tolson on August 24, 1973, and March 21, 1974. On both occasions I saw him in his residence, the visits lasted for approximately 30 to 45 minutes, and I was accompanied by Associate Director Nicholas P. Callahan.

(4) In your opinion was Mr. Clyde A. Tolson of sound mind and capable of executing a will or a deed on the occasion or occasions you visited him (described in reply to (2) above)?

Yes.

(5) Please give particulars, or basis for your conclusion, in responding to (4) above.

During both visits with Mr. Tolson, he appeared alert, rational, and in possession of his mental faculties. We discussed past and current matters of topical interest and I observed nothing which would indicate to me that he was of other than sound mind, and capable of making decisions.

I trust the foregoing will be of assistance to you.

Sincerely yours,

Q. M. Kelley

**Clarence M. Kelley
Director**

NOTE: Mr. Elliott previously desired to interview Mr. Kelley personally, but by letter dated July 30, 1975, he was advised that the Director would be happy to answer written questions. This firm represents Mr. John P. Mohr in connection with the litigation concerning Mr. Tolson's estate.

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August 7, 1975

Hon. Clarence M. Kelley
Director
United States Department
of Justice
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C. 20635

Dear Mr. Kelley:

Thank you very much for your letter of July 30, 1975, concerning the estate of the late Clyde A. Tolson, and your offer to respond to questions we submit to you in writing.

We will be grateful if you would answer the following:

(1) When did you first become acquainted with Mr. Clyde A. Tolson and under what circumstances?

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(2) How many times, approximately, did you see and talk with Mr. Clyde A. Tolson between May 3, 1972 (his date of retirement from the FBI) and April 14, 1975 (date of his death)?

(3) When and where were the visit or visits described in (2) above, and who else, if anyone, was present besides Mr. Tolson and you?

(4) In your opinion was Mr. Clyde A. Tolson of sound mind and capable of executing a will or a deed on the occasion or occasions you visited him (described in reply to (2) above)?

(5) Please give particulars, or basis for your conclusion, in responding to (4) above.

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If you have any question concerning the foregoing matters, Mr. Frank Roberson or I will be happy to discuss them with you or a member or members of your office as you find convenient.

Sincerely,



Robert J. Elliott

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. J. B. Adams *[Signature]*

FROM : Legal Counsel *[Signature]*

SUBJECT: CLYDE A. TOLSON
FORMER ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR

DATE: 7/15/75

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Memorandum Legal Counsel to Mr. Adams dated 7/10/75, captioned as above, advised that Mr. Rolland G. Lamensdorf, representing Hillary Tolson, brother of the late Clyde A. Tolson, requested to see or talk with the Director concerning Mr. Tolson's will. Mr. Kelley noted: "What is the purpose of the visit. Check to see if it is for a deposition."

At 2:50 p.m. on 7/14/75, Mr. Lamensdorf was contacted by SA Robert F. Olmert concerning the Director's notation. He advised that he estimated his interview with the Director would last approximately 15 minutes. He said that he specifically desired to know when and where Mr. Kelley last saw Mr. Tolson and whether or not any extensive conversation took place. In the event there was extensive conversation between Mr. Kelley and Mr. Tolson, Mr. Lamensdorf desires to obtain Mr. Kelley's observations and opinion as to the physical and mental capacity of Mr. Tolson at that time. Mr. Lamensdorf further advised that depending upon Mr. Kelley's answers, he would desire to obtain a written statement from him.

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It is recommended that the Director advise Mr. Lamensdorf that his schedule precludes a personal meeting, but he will respond to written questions.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the attached letter to Mr. Lamensdorf in line with the above be approved and sent.

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- 1 - Mrs. Metcall
- 1 - Mr. Mintz
- 1 - Mr. Olmert

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TO : Mr. J. B. Adams

FROM : Legal Counsel *Jaw*

SUBJECT: **CLYDE A. TOLSON**
FORMER ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR

DATE: 7/10/75

At 12:15 p.m. July 10, 1975, Mr. Rolland G. Lamensdorf *attorney* contacted Legal Counsel and advised he is the attorney representing Hillary Tolson, brother of the late Clyde A. Tolson. Mr. Lamensdorf said he desires to either visit or talk with Mr. Kelley in order to ascertain if Mr. Kelley visited or conversed with Mr. Tolson from the time of his retirement from the Bureau until his death. In the event the Director did not see or visit Mr. Tolson, he has no further questions, however if the Director did talk to Mr. Tolson, Mr. Lamensdorf stated he had several additional questions, the nature of which he did not reveal.

Mr. Lamensdorf advised that he is located at 1815 H Street, N.W., and his telephone number is 393-1565. *W. Tolson*

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That the Director advise whether or not he desires to meet or talk with Mr. Lamensdorf.

- 1 - Mrs. Metcalf
- 1 - Mr. Mintz
- 1 - Mr. Olmert

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Memorandum to Mr. Adams
Re: CLYDE A. TOLSON

ADDENDUM BY LEGAL COUNSEL, 7/11/75, JAM:mfd

Mr. Callahan advised me on the evening of 7/10/75,
that Mr. Kelley saw Mr. Tolson only on 8/24/73 and 3/21/74, and only
in Mr. Callahan's presence.

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July 16, 1975

- 1 - Mrs. Metcalf
- 1 - Mr. Mintz
- 1 - Mr. Olmert

Rolland G. Lamensdorf, Esq.
 1815 H Street, Northwest
 Washington, D.C. 20006

Dear Mr. Lamensdorf:

I have been advised by Special Agent Robert F. Olmert, of our Legal Counsel Division, of your desire to meet me for the purpose of ascertaining whether or not I met the late Clyde A. Tolson since I became Director of the FBI.

While I appreciate your interest and concern, the pressure of my official schedule, as well as the many numerous matters which arise daily demanding my immediate attention, precludes my meeting you. In an effort to be of assistance, I will be happy to respond to any written questions you may desire to submit.

Sincerely yours,

C. M. Kelley
Clarence M. Kelley
 Director

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NOTE: Based on memo Legal Counsel to Adams, 7/15/75, captioned "Clyde A. Tolson, Former Associate Director,"
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Memorandum for File

RE: CLYDE A. TOLSON
Former Associate Director
FBI (Deceased)

In connection with the handling of the estate matters of the late Associate Director, an inquiry was made ^{BY MR. J. P. MOHR} concerning the amount of Federal Employees Group Life Insurance (FEGLI) remaining in effect to his credit at the time of death. Mr. Tolson had \$42,000 of FEGLI insurance at the time of separation, 5/16/72, and this decreased at the rate of 2% per month until his death 4/14/75.

Joseph Burns of FEGLI, New York City, was telephonically contacted regarding the amount of insurance still applicable and he furnished the figure of \$13,440.

Mr. John P. Mohr, who is concerned with the Tolson estate, was advised of the results of our inquiry of FEGLI, New York City.

RECOMMENDATION:

None. Submitted for record purposes.

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July 30, 1975

- 1 - Mrs. Metcalf
- 1 - Mr. Mintz
- 1 - Mr. Olmert

Robert J. Elliott, Esq.
 815 Connecticut Avenue
 Washington, D.C. 20006

Dear Mr. Elliott:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of July 24, 1975, in which you request a meeting to discuss the lawsuit initiated by the brother of the late Clyde A. Tolson against your client John P. ~~X~~ Mohr.

Your interest and concern is certainly understandable, however, my official schedule, coupled with the numerous matters that arise daily demanding my immediate attention, precludes my meeting with you. In order to be of assistance, I will be happy to answer any written questions you may desire to submit.

Sincerely yours,

D. M. Kelley

Clarence M. Kelley
 Director

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NOTE:

Captioned attorney represents John P. Mohr in a suit against him initiated by Mr. Tolson's brother contesting Mr. Tolson's will. Mr. Kelley noted: "Prepare same response as given to attached. Ky." This refers to a previous request by attorney for Mr. Tolson's brother to meet with the Director. Mr. Kelley declined to meet with this attorney but agreed to answer written questions. This letter is in accord with the Director's instructions.

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July 24, 1975

The Honorable Clarence M. Kelley
Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C. 20535

Re: Estate of Clyde A. Tolson

Dear Mr. Director:

We represent John P. Mohr, the nominated executor of the estate of the late Clyde A. Tolson. As you may know, Mr. Tolson's brother has filed suit against Mr. Mohr in the Superior Court of the District of Columbia challenging the validity of the last will and codicils left by Clyde A. Tolson on the grounds that he was incompetent and the victim of undue influence and fraud.

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The will involved in the litigation was executed on August 14, 1972 shortly after Mr. Tolson retired. The codicils were executed between July 5, 1973 and January 29, 1975.

We are advised that you visited Mr. Tolson following his retirement and, therefore, you may be a potential witness in this matter. You may, for example, be able to furnish useful information as to his appearance or condition at the time of your visit or visits. For this reason, my partner, Mr. Frank Roberson, and I desire to meet with you briefly to learn any information you may have in this regard.

Let to Robert Elliott

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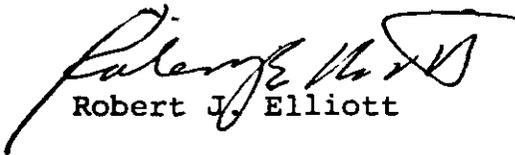
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The Honorable Clarence M. Kelley
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If you are willing to meet with us for this purpose, we will be most grateful if you would have your secretary call me so that we can arrange a mutually convenient time, preferably within the next two or three weeks. We would be pleased to visit with you at your office if that is more convenient.

Sincerely,



Robert J. Elliott

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Tolson Will Is Challenged By Brother

By Leon Dash and Douglas B. Feaver
Washington Post Staff Writers

Clyde A. Tolson, who was J. Edgar Hoover's closest friend and deputy for decades at the FBI, disinherited his own brother to the benefit and at the suggestion of yet another long-time FBI official, the brother has charged.

In a petition challenging Clyde Tolson's will, brother Hillory Tolson accused John P. Mohr of using "fraud and deceit" to exclude Hillory Tolson from the \$500,000 estate. Mohr, generally described as the No. 3 man at the FBI, retired from the bureau June 30, 1972, about two months after Hoover died and Clyde Tolson resigned.

"Before June, 1972, and many years prior to then," Hillory Tolson's petition states, "Tolson suffered physical and mental debility." Tolson, according to the petition, was often incoherent and confused and was unable to walk without aid.

"As a result of (Tolson's) weakened condition, physically and mentally, (Mohr) and those in collaboration with him prevented others, including (Hillory Tolson)," the petition said, "from seeing (Clyde Tolson), who became a virtual recluse."

Hillory Tolson and his two children are Clyde Tolson's only living relatives. The contested will says, "To my brother, Hillory A. Tolson, and his children, James Walter Tolson and Pamela Tolson Holst, I leave nothing by this will."

Tolson's holdings—\$430,000 in cash and stocks, \$70,000 in oil and mineral leases in the Southwest and Hoover's house on 30th Place NW—are left to 13 beneficiaries and two nonprofit associations.

Much of the estate presumably came from Hoover, who left Tolson almost all of his holdings, estimated at \$551,500 when he died on May 2, 1972.

Hillory Tolson, a one-time FBI agent himself, a former official with the National Park Service and now the executive director of the White House Historical Association, referred all ques-

tions to his attorney, Rolland Lamensdorf.

Lamensdorf said he knew of no specific event or long-standing grievance that would have caused Clyde Tolson to disinherit his brother. "It's surprising to me that what occurred did occur," Lamensdorf said.

Only Mohr is named in the petition as having "exercised undue, duress and coercion" on Clyde Tolson, although there is the suggestion in the petition that other unnamed individuals participated. Lamensdorf would not list other names.

There are two Tolson wills that Lamensdorf knows of, he said, one dated in June, 1972, and the other the following August. Clyde Tolson died in April of this year. Both specifically exclude Hillory Tolson.

Lamensdorf said that the Tolson brothers had not been close in recent years. "Frankly," he said, "I think Clyde Tolson was an extremely dedicated man to the FBI. He restricted himself during and after hours to the FBI... He was a very sick man over the last three years of his life."

Mohr would receive \$26,000 in the Tolson will. He had no comment on the allegations in the petition, but indicated that his attorneys would be responding in court.

The other beneficiaries include:
 • Annie Fields, who was Hoover's housekeeper for years at 4936 30th Pl. NW, would receive \$32,000 plus the house furnishings. When Tolson inherited Hoover's home, he moved in and the housekeeper remained.

• James E. Crawford, both Hoover's and Tolson's chauffeur, \$32,000. He drove Hoover and Tolson, who lived in a nearby apartment before Hoover's death, to work together almost every day.

• Dorothy Skillman, Tolson's long-time secretary, who would receive \$27,000. "She was very devoted to Mr. Tolson," a source recalled. "She was in the truest sense an executive secretary and should have been included in any will."

• Three Washington physicians,

Dr. Joseph V. Kennedy, William Wardrop and Robert Chüsser, who would receive \$15,000 each. Dr. Wardrop said yesterday that the three of them attended Clyde Tolson, but refused to discuss his ailments or his mental capacity. He said he had not expected to be included in the will.

Tolson's condition in his later years, the petition said, was brought on by severe hypertension, cerebral vascular disease, arteriosclerosis and severe hemorrhaging in the right eye. He had suffered two strokes, the petition said.

Hillory Tolson's petition seeks a jury trial. The petition asks that Tolson replace Mohr as executor of the estate and the disbursement of the estate could be changed in further litigation.

J. Edgar Hoover's FBI was also Clyde Tolson's FBI, according to many who were familiar with its operations. The two men were the closest of friends and worked very well together.

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Tolson was the man who got things done," a source said yesterday. "He was the detail man. He had a photographic memory and was a meticulous administrator."

But Tolson's health began to fail in the late 1960s, and he reportedly suffered a stroke at that time. However, his speech and mental acuity were unimpaired, although he was forced on occasion to remain home, where he insisted on being kept abreast of matters.

"The only guy he would listen to was his doctor or Hoover himself," a source said.

Tolson's health continued to deteriorate and, by the time he retired in 1972 on the date of Hoover's funeral, he was no longer very active in day-to-day operations of the bureau, according to W. Mark Felt, former acting associate director of the bureau.

Cartha D. DeLoach, former assistant to the director and who left the bureau in 1970, said yesterday that he had lunch in New York with both Hoover and Tolson about a week before Hoover's death, and that Tolson's "mind was clear. We talked at great length."

Mohr, who had been largely responsible for the administrative functions of the bureau — from supporting Hoover and Tolson in congressional budget hearings to making sure a car was available for the director—reportedly took over much of the day-to-day concern and care for Tolson after Hoover's death.



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CLYDE A. TOLSON

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Clyde A. Tolson

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Mr. LAMENSDORF, who identified himself as an attorney representing Mr. Hillory Tolson, called and asked to speak to the Director.

Mr. Lamensdorf was advised that the Director was not available to speak with him and he was asked if someone else could be of assistance to him.

He said that he wants to speak to the Director personally, but agreed to speak with Mr. Olmert in the office of Legal Counsel and the call was transferred to Mr. Olmert.

Mr. Olmert advised that Mr. Lamensdorf wants to know if the Director saw or had conversation with Mr. Clyde Tolson from the time of his retirement to the time of his death. A memorandum will be coming through setting forth Mr. Lamensdorf's inquiry.

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On Resolving the Estate of the FBI's Clyde Tolson

By Maxine Cheshire

There may be a legal battle shaping up over the \$600,000 estate of the late J. Edgar Hoover, which was willed three years ago to his longtime friend and law enforcement associate, Clyde Tolson.

Tolson, who died here two months ago at the age of 74, left an estate of approximately \$540,520. Presumably, most of that figure represents the Hoover bequest, minus taxes.

Tolson disinherited his own relatives in a will filed recently in the Superior Court of the District of Columbia. Instead, he passed some \$200,000 of his legacy along to former servants, secretaries and friends of his and Hoover's.

The other \$340,000 was to be divided equally between the Boys Club of America and the Damon Runyon Memorial Fund for Cancer Research Inc., which were Hoover's chosen beneficiaries if Tolson had preceded him in death.

Tolson's brother, Hillory, executive director of the White House Historical Association, said here last week that he and his family, who would be Tolson's legal heirs if the will were broken, are consulting a lawyer.

If the will is not contested, the beneficiaries are:

John Mohr, the No. 3 man in the FBI who resigned "for personal reasons" after Hoover's death, was named executor by Clyde Tolson. He receives \$28,000.

Mohr's daughter, Mrs. Joseph Henry Scott Jr., \$1,500.

Albert Paul Gunsser, who is remembered by FBI colleagues as the agent "who always did Hoover and Tolson's income tax returns," \$27,000.

Hoover's housekeeper, Annie Fields, and his chauffeur, James Crawford, \$32,000 each.

Three Washington physicians: Dr. Joseph Kennedy, Dr. Robert Choisser and Dr. William Waldrop, \$15,000 each.

Tolson's former secretary, Dorothy Skillman, \$27,000. His former assistant secretary, Lilian Brown, was left \$4,000. So was Hoover's former secretary, Helen Gandy, who had already received \$5,000 from Hoover himself.

Bequests of \$1,000 each were also left to Mrs. John Kelly, a friend of Tolson's mother, and a former maid, Rachel Gill.

No matter who ultimately inherits the estate, the executor is going to have another legal problem to resolve.

Tolson, Hoover's deputy and closest companion for 44 years, bequeathed to his executor "any and all memorabilia, medals, plaques, photographs, or any and all other personal property which can be easily identified with the late J. Edgar Hoover."

"The purpose of this bequest," the will states, "shall be to install ... (these items) ... in the J. Edgar Hoover Room in the new FBI building."

FBI press spokesman Homer Boynton said last week that there are currently no plans for such a room. Some photographs and awards already on deposit with the FBI will be prominently displayed, along with Hoover's desk, on the public tour route which is expected to be open in August, he added. But no other space has been allocated. It is unclear what would happen to the other memorabilia in the event that the FBI does not want it.

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Tolson, left, with J. Edgar Hoover, 1941.

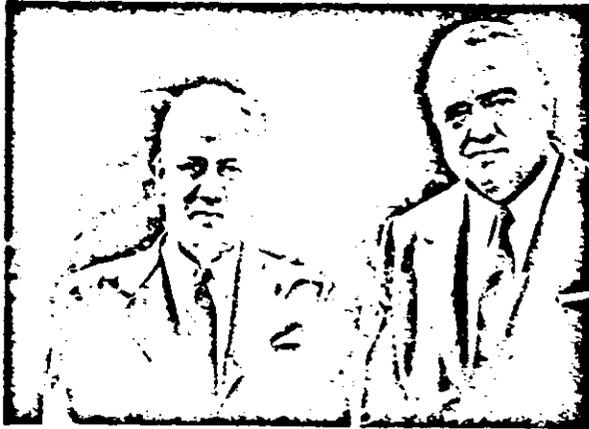
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Q. Now that Clyde Tolson is dead, will the nation ever know the truth about his relationship with the late J. Edgar Hoover? Why really did Hoover bequeath Tolson his \$500,000 estate?—Ellen Patten, New York City.

A. Clyde Tolson, a bachelor like Hoover, was Hoover's most intimate friend. Through most of his 44-year career in the FBI, Tolson was Hoover's second in command. He and Hoover socialized, traveled, and worked together. They were virtually inseparable. After Hoover died on May 2, 1974, Tolson was importuned to write about and disclose the history of their relationship. Tolson refused. He did not, however, refuse to accept as principal beneficiary the \$550,000 estate Hoover left him. Many FBI veterans regarded Tolson as the single most knowledgeable man concerning the secret life of J. Edgar Hoover.



Clyde Tolson (l) and J. Edgar Hoover in 1954

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REQUEST OF SUBCOMMITTEE ON CIVIL AND CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS, COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Clyde A. Tolson

Reference is made to the letter from captioned Committee dated April 25, 1975, directed to Honorable Edward H. Levi, Attorney General, requesting information concerning the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Attached for your approval and forwarding to the Committee is the original of a memorandum which constitutes this Bureau's response to the request contained in the aforementioned letter. A copy of this memorandum is enclosed for your records.

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For your information, we did furnish empty boxes for the use of former Assistant to the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, John P. Mohr, at the residence of the late Director, J. Edgar Hoover, subsequent to the death of Mr. Tolson. This material was brought to the residence by a clerical employee who merely deposited the material and left the residence. While we have no direct knowledge as to what material was removed from the residence, Mr. Mohr was contacted to determine the source and accuracy of the story contained in "Periscope" section of the April 28, 1975, issue of Newsweek, at which time he advised us that "furnishings" at the home had been removed by members of the family and the housekeeper.

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Letter from Director to the Attorney General
REQUEST OF SUBCOMMITTEE ON CIVIL AND CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS

NOTE: By memorandum dated May 2, 1975, from Legal Counsel to J. B. Adams, each Assistant Director was requested to advise whether they or personnel in their divisions had any knowledge relating to the allegation that the FBI directed or participated in the removal of documents from the late Director's residence. The Alexandria and Washington field offices were separately requested to respond to this allegation. The responses were negative. External Affairs, by memo from D. W. Moore to Mr. Jenkins dated May 5, 1975, captioned, Clyde A. Tolson, former Associate Director; advised that a clerk brought packaging material to the residence at the request of former Assistant to the Director, John P. Mohr. This memo indicated that the clerk deposited the material and left. He did not participate in the packing, etc. of documents.

May 8, 1975

REQUEST OF SUBCOMMITTEE ON CIVIL AND CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS,
COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY
UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

This is in response to letter dated April 25, 1975, addressed to Honorable Edward H. Levi, Attorney General, United States Department of Justice, signed Don Edwards, Chairman, Subcommittee on Civil and Constitutional Rights.

There were no documents or material removed from the home of the late Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, J. Edgar Hoover, by or at the direction of the Federal Bureau of Investigation after the death of Mr. Clyde Tolson.

- 1-Mr. T. J. Jenkins (Detached)
- 1-Mr. J. B. Adams (Detached)
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TO : MR. JENKINS

DATE: 5/5/75

FROM : D.W. MOORE, JR.

SUBJECT: CLYDE A. TOLSON
FORMER ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR

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The April 28, 1975, issue of "Newsweek" magazine on page 15 under its "Periscope" section, referred to Mr. Tolson's death and claimed that 2 Agents reportedly removed documents from Hoover's residence where Tolson had been living. The article, captioned "Hoover's Secrets," carried the FBI's denial of such action and also stated that a friend of Tolson's said the only Hoover documents Tolson had were old cancelled checks and tax returns. However, the article added that "Newsweek" had reported earlier that some of Hoover's private dossiers, including information "very, very damaging" to persons in the Nixon White House, were left in Tolson's custody. "Newsweek" further claimed that a source advised that the materials were carted away in a truck.

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Mr. Kelley has asked of Messrs. Callahan, Jenkins, Adams and Moore, "Do you have any idea where such a story got started? Ky."

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My memorandum to you of 4/17/75 captioned as above (copy attached) pointed out that Tony Marro, "Newsweek" reporter, contacted my office that date advising he had heard from a source to the effect that 2 Agents were sent to Tolson's residence the day of his death with a truck and carted away some files which were subsequently brought to the home of Mr. John P. Mohr, former Assistant to the Director. Upon checking with Mr. Mohr, Marro was advised there was absolutely no truth to the story. It should be noted that Mr. Mohr also advised at that time that most of the furnishings at Mr. Tolson's home have been removed over the past several months and that there were some associates of the family and Annie, the housekeeper, who had stopped by the house on the day of the death with some empty boxes to help remove additional furnishings.

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Moore to Jenkins Memo (cont'd.)
Re: CLYDE A. TOLSON

Based upon a request from Mr. Mohr to Mr. Callahan, a Bureau clerk did go to the residence of Mr. Tolson on the day of his death whereupon he delivered some 24 boxes and 6 rolls of tape. The clerk merely delivered the boxes and tape and then left the residence. We have no idea what was placed in the boxes nor how this story started in the first place.

RECOMMENDATION:

For information

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OFFICE OF DIRECTOR
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

April 29, 1975

Clyde H. Tolson

The attached acknowledgment of sympathy, postmarked Washington, D. C., was sent to the Director and Associates by an unidentified source.

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W. J. ...

- MR. CALLAHAN
- MR. JENKINS
- MR. ADAMS
- MR. ASH
- MR. BASSETT
- MR. CLEVELAND
- MR. DECKER
- MR. GALLAGHER
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*The family of
Clyde Anderson Tolson
and his close associates
wish to express deep appreciation
and sincere thanks
for your kind expression
of sympathy*

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April 25, 1975

Mr. Hillory A. Tolson
5200 Sangamore Road
Washington, D. C. 20016

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Dear Mr. Tolson:

CLYDE A. Tolson

Enclosed are several sealed messages thoughtful people have sent to me for forwarding to Mr. Tolson's family. Also enclosed is a copy of a letter I received from Mr. Woodruff who asked that I extend his condolences and sympathy to you. I have advised him that I would do so immediately.

With kindest personal regards,

Sincerely,

Clarence Kelley

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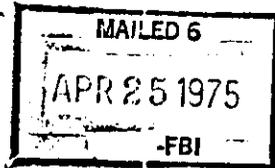
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CLYDE A. TOLSON⁰

Mr. W. J. Woodruff
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Spartanburg, South Carolina 29301

Dear Mr. Woodruff:

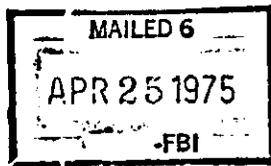
It was certainly thoughtful of you to write on April 15th and comment as you did concerning Mr. Tolson and Mr. Hoover. I have forwarded your correspondence to Mr. Tolson's brother as you requested.

Sincerely,

Clarence Kelley

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SPARTANBURG, S. C. 29301

April 15, 1975

C. B. RADIO STA. KET 8676

PHONE 803-583-8970

Mr. Clarence Kelley, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C. 20535

Dear Mr. Kelley:

Would you please extend my condolences and sympathy to the brother of Mr. Clyde A. Tolson. Mr. Tolson was the closest friend of Mr. J. Edgar Hoover and served the Bureau and his country with great distinction. Our country has lost two of it's GREATS in the passing of Mr. Tolson and Mr. Hoover. May their dear souls rest in Peace With God.

Sincerely,

W. J. Woodruff

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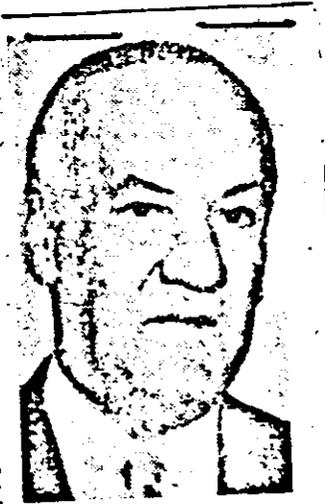
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CLYDE A. TOLSON

Correction

A picture accompanying a story in yesterday's editions of The Washington Post on the death of Clyde Anderson Tolson, former No. 2 man in the FBI, was not one of Mr. Tolson.

The photograph was of Louis B. Nichols, who ranked third in the FBI at the time of his retirement in 1957 and who now lives in Virginia.

A correct picture of Mr. Tolson is shown here. The Post regrets the error.

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SA T. J. Harrington,
External Affairs Division, personally
delivered to the "Washington Star-
News" and the "Washington Post" on
the early afternoon of 4/14/75 an
8x10 photograph of Mr. Tolson along
with the approved obituary.

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While at the "Washington
Post" he first contacted Larry
Meyer (assigned to the Department of
Justice) who introduced him to Richard Cohen,
who was assigned to do the obituary on Mr. Tolson.
Harrington then went through the obituary with
Cohen and at this time furnished him with the
attached photograph of Mr. Tolson. It was at this
time that Harrington observed Cohen on the
reverse side of the photograph write Clyde Tolson
across the photograph.

A copy of the photograph furnished both
papers is attached.

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Lou Nichols was contacted this morning
and was advised of the steps we had taken to insure
accuracy of the photograph and expressed appre-
ciation for the call. He stated he would be contacting
the "Post" later on this morning to register an
official request for a correction in tomorrow's
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J. Edgar Hoover's Friend, Aide

FBI's Clyde A. Tolson,

74, Dies

By Richard M. Cohen

Washington Post Staff Writer

Clyde Anderson Tolson, for years both the number two man in the FBI and J. Edgar Hoover's alter ego, died yesterday of heart failure—until the last a steadfast defender of the FBI he had helped build and its director who once called him "my strong right arm."

The former associate director, 74, had been in ill-health for about the last 10 years since suffering a stroke in 1964. He was admitted to Doctors Hospital here last Thursday and died at the hospital yesterday morning.

For nearly 20 years, Mr. Tolson and Hoover were inseparable friends. They took turns dining at each others' homes, went to the race track together and even vacationed together—usually near a race track. In the morning's, Hoover's bullet-proof limousine would stop at Tolson's apartment to pick him up, and often the two men would get out on Constitution Avenue NW to walk part of the way to the Justice Department together.

So close were the two that the grief-stricken Mr. Tolson submitted his resignation May 3, 1972, the day after Hoover died, and refused to accept a condolence call from the man appointed as Hoover's temporary replacement, then Assistant Attorney General L. Patrick Gray III. Gray later was appointed acting director of the FBI.

Mr. Tolson lived out his retirement in the house Hoover had willed to him at 4936 30th

Pl. NW, among the antiques and paintings Hoover had collected. In all, he was willed the bulk of Hoover's \$351,500 estate—yet another reflection of the relationship between the two men.

But while Hoover was the out-front—and frequently outspoken—FBI director, Mr. Tolson was the seldom-seen and nearly anonymous alter-ego. His name surfaced in the press only rarely, and then frequently in letters to the editor in which he defended either Hoover or the bureau. He kept at it even after the death of Hoover and his own retirement. In 1973, for instance, he wrote The Washington Post saying there was "not the slightest truth" to a statement by former FBI Assistant Director William Sullivan that Hoover "was not of sound mind" in his later years.

In some of his letters, Mr. Tolson reflected his and Hoover's deep-seated views on what they said were the dangers of the international Communist conspiracy and the threat it posed to American institutions.

Mr. Tolson's contemporaries in the bureau credit him with an acute sense of "public relations timing," as former FBI assistant director Cartha DeLoach put it yesterday.

DeLoach recalled that Mr. Tolson possessed a photographic memory, and was able to read a memorandum in a flash and virtually recall its contents word for word.

As a result of his ability to speed-read and remember

everything he read, DeLoach said. Mr. Tolson's desk was always clean—never a paper on it.

But while Mr. Tolson and Hoover were close friends and alike in many ways, a close friend of both said they had strikingly different personalities.

"He had more warmth than Mr. Hoover," said an old associate of both men. "I think he enjoyed life a great deal more. He had a twinkle in his eye for the girls and Mr. Hoover never condescended to that."

But essentially, Tolson was a shy man—in many

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ways the perfect civil servant. He was born in Missouri and grew up in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. At the age of 18, he accepted a position in the old War Department where he eventually used his stenographic skills to become confidential secretary to Secretary of War Newton D. Baker.

Mr. Tolson remained to serve two other secretaries of War, but in the meantime put himself through college and law school at night. He received both degrees from George Washington University.

It was about that time that he met Hoover, a native Washingtonian, and struck up what became a life-long friendship. In 1928—four years after Hoover became FBI director—Mr. Tolson joined the Bureau, and was assigned to the Boston field office where his work caught Hoover's attention. With that came a transfer to Washington and a close association with Hoover.

Although later a pre-eminent Washington bureaucrat and Bureau in-fighter who retained his shorthand skills, Mr. Tolson was no slouch with a gun. In 1936 he accompanied Hoover when he personally arrested Alvin "Creepy" Karpis, a murderer and bank robber. The case made headlines coast to coast and did much to enhance the G-Man image of the FBI.

Later that same year, Mr. Tolson shot it out in New York City with Harry Brunette, a gangster and bank robber. In addition, Mr. Tolson played what the FBI later called "a prominent part" in the investigation and apprehension of eight Nazi saboteurs who landed in 1942 on Long Island and Florida.

It was on such exploits—later grist for countless radio and television shows—that the FBI built its image and Mr. Tolson his career. By 1947, Hoover created a special title for Mr. Tolson—associate director.

In that capacity, he was number two to one of the most powerful men in Washington—the keeper of the files. Yet Mr. Tolson's associates found him soft-spoken and self-effacing, a man, they recall, who never lost his temper. And for all his closeness to Hoover, it was understood that Mr. Tolson

could never succeed him. He was too old.

In 1970, Mr. Tolson reached the mandatory retirement age of 70, in too poor health to remain with the Bureau and get an exception to the retirement policy. Hoover retired his friend—and then rehired him, saying he was needed to complete work already under way.

In the end, Mr. Tolson became Hoover's principal heir, receiving the house stocks, bonds and Hoover's personal belongings. But according to John P. Mohr, the now retired assistant to Hoover, Mr. Tolson received none of the celebrated personal files that Hoover reportedly kept.

"He had no files from the Bureau," Mohr said. "I can't think of anyone who was less inclined to have Bureau files than Mr. Tolson."

While his associates describe Mr. Tolson as a man dedicated to the FBI, he somehow found time to tinker with inventing. He sought and received a patent, for instance, on a bottle cap after he cut his finger on one. In addition, he invented—and had installed—electrically operated windows, one of which was used by Lyndon Johnson in the White House and one by Hoover himself. The device automatically shut the window at a certain time so a person could go to sleep in a cool room but wake up in warm comfort.

Mr. Tolson, who like Hoover never married, is survived by his brother, Hilory, the executive director of the White House Historical Association. A friend said yesterday it is likely

that Hoover's former house would be put up for sale.

In a statement, FBI Director Clarence M. Kelley, said the death of Mr. Tolson left a "great void in the law enforcement field . . .

"As the close associate and confidant of former FBI director J. Edgar Hoover, Mr. Tolson devoted his life to the service of the American people and to effective law enforcement throughout the country."

The FBI announced that services will be conducted Wednesday at the Joseph Gawler's Sons Funeral Home, 5130 Wisconsin Ave. NW, with burial later at the Congressional Cemetery.



CLYDE TOLSON

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TO : Mr. ~~Moore~~

FROM : Mr. Heim
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SUBJECT: CLYDE ANDERSON TOLSON
FORMER FBI ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR

DATE: 4-14-75

On April 10, 1975, Mr. Tolson was hospitalized and on this date died after a long illness. In view of his long stature as an executive in the Bureau and close personal relationship with former FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover, this Division has prepared the attached obituary and will furnish it to pertinent news media outlets.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the External Affairs Division make available the attached news release on Mr. Clyde Anderson Tolson to the news media and to our Field Offices.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
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of Associate Director for Mr. Tolson in February, 1947, and he served in this capacity until his retirement from the FBI in May, 1972, upon the sudden death of Mr. Hoover.

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In addition to being his chief executive officer, Mr. Tolson, was the confidant and personal friend of Mr. Hoover. Mr. Tolson was admitted to the District of Columbia Bar in 1928 and to the Supreme Court Bar in 1935. He was a member of Sigma Nu and Phi Delta Phi. On the basis of his career contributions in Government service, Mr. Tolson, on June 2, 1965, received from the President of the United States, the President's Award for Distinguished Civilian Service.

Mr. Tolson participated in many prominent investigative cases. He was alongside Mr. Hoover when he personally arrested the notorious Alvin "Creepy" Karpis in New Orleans, Louisiana, on May 1, 1936. He was also in the gun fight in New York City on December 15, 1936, which climaxed the apprehension of Harry Brunette, gangster and bank robber, and Mr. Tolson took this desperado off to the New York City FBI Office

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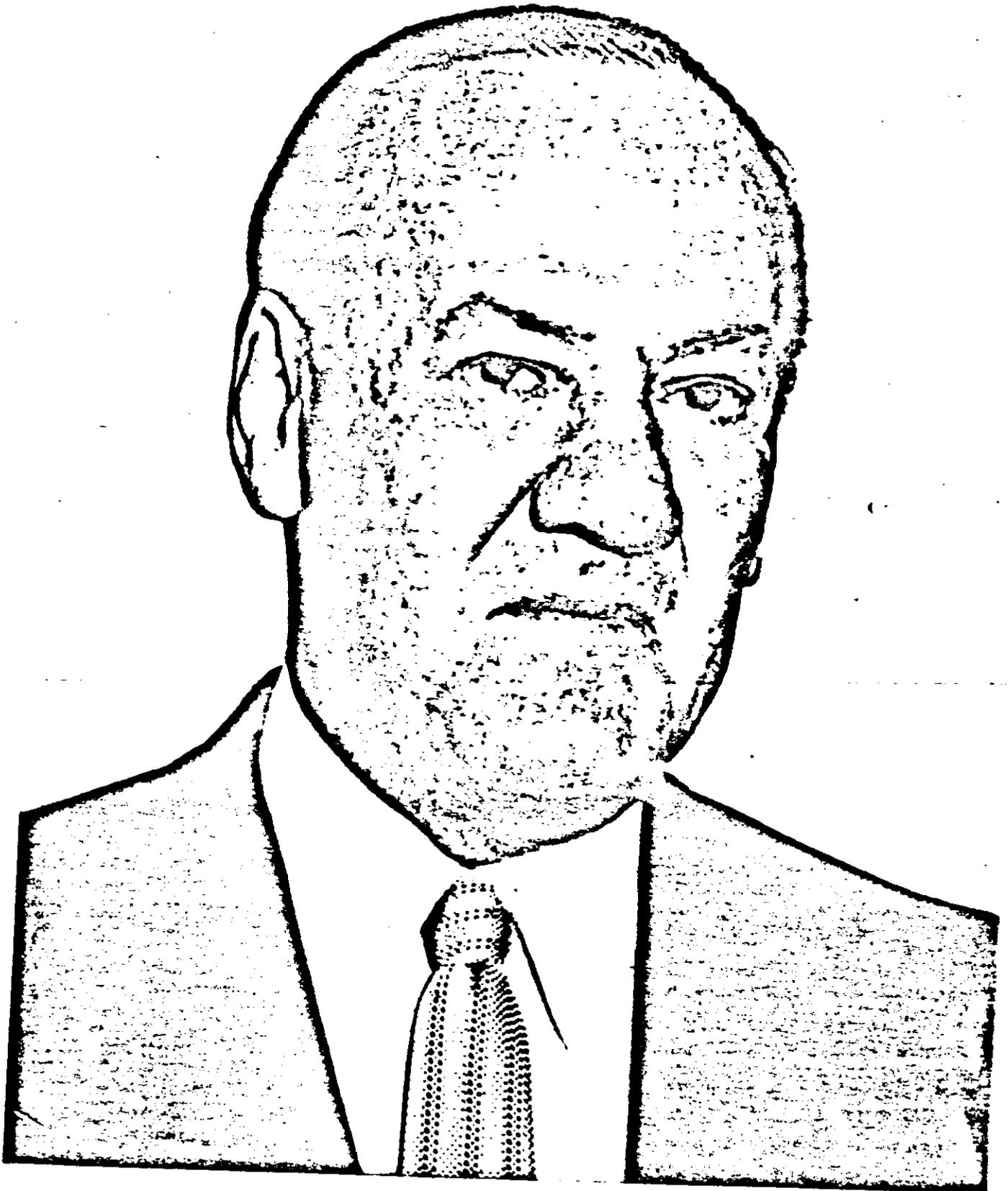
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April 21, 1975

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Mr. Clarence M. Kelley
Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D.C. 20535

Dear Mr. Kelley:

Thank you for your kind expression of sympathy.

Clyde's distinguished record of dedicated service in the field of law enforcement sustains me now.

Sincerely,

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TO : MR. JENKINS

FROM : D.W. MOORE JR.

SUBJECT: CLYDE A. TOLSON
FORMER FBI ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR

DATE: 4/17/75

Tony Murro, "Newsweek" magazine, Washington, D.C., called this morning advising that he had heard from a source who has been reliable in the past, to the effect that two Agents were sent to the home of Clyde Tolson Monday evening, 4/14/75, the day of his death, with a truck and carted away some files which were subsequently brought to the home of Mr. John P. Mohr, former Assistant to the Director.

Upon checking with Mr. Mohr, Mr. Murro was advised that there was absolutely no truth to his story. It should be noted that Mr. Mohr advised that most of the furnishings at Mr. Tolson's home have been removed over the past several months and that there were some associates of the family and Annie, the housekeeper, who had stopped by the house sometime Monday with some empty boxes to help remove additional furnishings. As you know, Mr. Mohr is the Administrator of Mr. Tolson's estate and stated that there was simply no truth to the allegation that any Agents had gone to the home in a truck to transfer any files to his residence, as alleged.

RECOMMENDATION:

For information.

- 1 - Mr. Callahan
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Clyde A. Tolson of FBI, Aide to J. Edgar Hoover

Clyde A. Tolson, 74, for many years the No. 2 man in the Federal Bureau of Investigation and a long-time confidante of the late FBI director J. Edgar Hoover, died in Doctors Hospital yesterday after a long illness.

Tolson had a plastic valve inserted in his heart following a blood clot in 1964. He resumed his FBI duties but never seemed to regain his health completely. He entered Doctors Hospital last Thursday.

Tolson was a member of Hoover's FBI staff from 1931 until he retired in 1972 the day after Hoover's death. Hoover had kept his top adviser and right-hand man on the job with him after Tolson reached the mandatory retirement age of 70.

HOOPER LEFT the majority of his estate of \$551,500 to Tolson, according to his will filed for probate in U.S. District Court here. In addition to Hoover's home on 30th Place NW, where Tolson moved after Hoover's death, Tolson was left about 40 oil, gas and mineral leases in Texas and Louisiana. Hoover asked in his will that Tolson provide for his two dogs.

Hoover and Tolson often were seen together in restaurants here and at race tracks. Hoover's limousine also picked up Tolson in the morning and they would either ride to work or walk several blocks along Constitution Avenue in good weather.

Tolson, a native of Grundy County, Mo., was a graduate of a Cedar Rapids, Iowa, business college. While working for the federal government, he received A.B. and LL.B. degrees from George Washington University.

AT THE AGE of 18 Tolson began working for the old War Department, where he later became a confidential secretary to Secretaries of War Newton D. Baker, John W. Weeks and Dwight F. Davis, before he applied for an FBI job in 1928.

After field investigative service in the Boston and Washington offices, Tolson was appointed assistant director of the FBI in 1931. In 1947 he was named associate director, a post Hoover created to reflect more accurately Tolson's status as the second in command.

TOLSON PARTICIPATED in many important investigative cases: He was with Hoover when he arrested the notorious Alvin (Creepy) Karpis in New Orleans in 1936, and later that year he was in the gunfight in New York City that climaxed with the apprehension of gangster and bank robber Harry Brunette.

Tolson was an inventor and received patents for equipment to operate emergency windows and exits in aircraft and space vehicles, for a window closer for bedside operation by pushbutton and clock and for a bottle cap that does not require an opener and can be resealed to keep the carbonation from escaping.

He leaves his brother, Hillory A., also of the District, and now executive director of the White House Historical Association.

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TO : Mr. Jenkins

DATE: 4/15/75

FROM : D. W. Moore, Jr.

SUBJECT: OBITUARY OF CLYDE A. TOLSON
WASHINGTON POST 4/15/75
INFORMATION CONCERNING

The "Washington Post" edition of 4/15/75 has the obituary of Clyde A. Tolson which carries a photograph of former Assistant to the Director Louis B. Nichols instead of Mr. Tolson.

On 4/14/75 SA T. J. Harrington of the External Affairs Division personally delivered to the "Washington Post" an 8x10" photograph of Mr. Tolson along with an approved obituary. At this time SA Harrington was introduced to Richard Cohen, who was to prepare the obituary on Mr. Tolson, and reviewed this matter with him. SA Harrington, in addition to the material prepared for Cohen by this Division, also answered additional questions concerning Mr. Tolson and in response to Cohen's specific question advised him that the photograph of Mr. Tolson was the best available we had concerning him, whereupon Cohen on the reverse side of the photograph wrote Mr. Tolson's name so there would be no question concerning the identity of the photograph.

On 4/15/75 SA Harrington contacted Harry Rosenfeld, Editor, National Desk, "Washington Post," and brought to his attention the obituary of Mr. Tolson and the mistaken photograph. He was also advised at this time that a proper photograph was delivered to the "Post" on the previous day. Mr. Rosenfeld was totally unaware of this mistake and seemed very upset and remarked that it was a "dumb ass" mistake by the "Post." He then called in Leonard Downie and Richard Cohen and they both remarked that they could not understand how Mr. Nichols' photograph appeared in Mr. Tolson's obituary. There was no question that all of the above individuals involved were deeply embarrassed over the incorrect photograph being carried with the story.

Mr. Rosenfeld further stated he was sorry for this mistake and advised that the paper would print a retraction. It was suggested that the "Post" might wish to send letters to Mr. Nichols and Mr. Tolson's brother. Mr. Rosenfeld said that he would personally handle these letters.

- 1 - Mr. Moore
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- 1 - Mr. Malmfeldt

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Moore to Jenkins memorandum
Re: Obituary of Clyde A. Tolson

The "Washington Post" has contacted the External Affairs Division and requested the address of Mr. Nichols, which was furnished to them.

It should be noted that Mr. Nichols was contacted by my office this morning whereupon he advised he had already learned of his photograph appearing in the obituary and stated he would personally contact the paper later this morning in order to set the record straight. Mr. Nichols was advised to the extent the Bureau went in personally delivering the obituary material to the "Post" along with the most recent photograph of Mr. Tolson we had available and he agreed that we had done everything possible to insure accuracy in this matter.

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For information.

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Clyde A. Tolson

Clyde A. Tolson Dies at 74; Hoover's Closest Friend

Associated Press

WASHINGTON, April 14 — Clyde A. Tolson, 74, who was the closest friend and associate of J. Edgar Hoover for more than 30 years, died today after a long illness.

Mr. Tolson became associate director of the FBI under Mr.

Hoover in 1947 and remained in that position until shortly after Mr. Hoover's death in 1972.

Further details about the death were not immediately available. Mr. Tolson had lived in Mr. Hoover's home after inheriting it from the legendary FBI director. The two-story brick home is in northwest Washington.

Mr. Tolson, a Missouri Native, joined the FBI in 1928. Throughout his long association with Mr. Hoover, he avoided publicity. But FBI officials say he was perhaps the only person who knew all the details of Mr. Hoover's activities.

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TO: ALL SPECIAL AGENTS IN CHARGE

FROM: DIRECTOR, FBI

CLYDE A. TOLSON, FORMER ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR,
FBI HEADQUARTERS

4/14/75
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I REGRET TO ADVISE YOU THAT MR. TOLSON DIED OF
NATURAL CAUSES ON APRIL 14, 1975. HE WAS 74 YEARS OF AGE
AND IS SURVIVED BY HIS BROTHER, MR. HILLORY A. TOLSON,
5200 SANGAMORE ROAD, WASHINGTON, D. C. FRIENDS MAY CALL
AT JOSEPH GAWLER'S SONS FUNERAL HOME, 5130 WISCONSIN
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FBI Director Clarence M. Kelley issued the following statement in connection with the death of Clyde A. Tolson, former Associate Director of the FBI. "All of us in the FBI were deeply saddened to learn of the death of Clyde Tolson this morning. Those of us who had the privilege of being associated with him during his 44 years in the FBI greatly admired his many talents and contributions. His passing will leave a void in the law enforcement community. As the close associate and confidant of former FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover, Mr. Tolson devoted his life to the service of the American people and to effective law enforcement throughout the country. All of us mourn the passing of this great public servant."

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April 14, 1975

Mr. Hillory A. Tolson
5200 Sangamore Road
Washington, D. C. 20016

Dear Mr. Tolson:

It is with deep regret that I have just learned of the death of former Associate Director Clyde A. Tolson and I want you to know that all of us in the FBI are greatly saddened at his passing. We offer our heartfelt sympathy to you on the death of your brother. We know that words alone cannot ease your sorrow, but we hope you will derive some comfort in knowing that others share your grief. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

May God bless you at this time of
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Sincerely,

Clarence Kelley

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NOTE: Former Associate Director Clyde A. Tolson died on April 14th after a long illness. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, April 16th, at the Joseph Gawler's Sons, Inc. Funeral Home, 5130 Wisconsin Avenue, N. W., Washington, D. C. Burial will follow at Congressional Cemetery. Address of Hillory A. Tolson per mailing list.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

April 14, 1975

MEMORANDUM TO ALL BUREAU OFFICIALS AND SUPERVISORS

RE: CLYDE A. TOLSON
Former Associate Director
FBI Headquarters

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Clarence M. Kelley
Director

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Clarence M. Kelley
Clarence M. Kelley
Director

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Clarence M. Kelley
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CLYDE TOLSON

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Honorable Clarence M. Kelley
Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Kelley:

I want to thank you and, through you, my friends in the FBI, for the flowers sent me at the hospital.

They are beautiful and are lending a cheerful atmosphere to my room.

Knowing that my friends are thinking of me makes my confinement to the hospital less depressing and I want each and every one of you to know I am grateful for your thoughtfulness.

With kind regards to all,

Sincerely,

Clyde Tolson

Clyde Tolson

CLYDE TOLSON
4936 30th PLACE, N.W.
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20008

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June 25, 1974

Mr. Clyde A. Tolson
4936 30th Place, Northwest
Washington, D. C. 20008

Dear Mr. Tolson:

I am very pleased to inform you that Public Law 93-309 authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to prepare commemorative medals in honor of Mr. Hoover was signed into law by the President on June 8th. I am enclosing a copy of this legislation for your information. All of us in the FBI are extremely gratified at this well-deserved tribute to Mr. Hoover. It certainly demonstrates the unique position he holds in the hearts of his countrymen.

With warmest best wishes,

Sincerely,

Clarence

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CLYDE TOLSON

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Honorable Clarence M. Kelley
 Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation
 U. S. Department of Justice
 Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Kelley:

I want to again express my gratitude to you for the book of memorial tributes to Mr. Hoover which you presented to me today. I am deeply appreciative of your thoughtfulness in making it available to me.

This book will be a treasured memento of my long close personal and official association with him and I am very pleased to have it.

I also want you to know that I enjoyed your visit with me and I hope to see you again soon.

With kind personal regards,

Sincerely,

Clyde Tolson

Clyde Tolson

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 4936 30th PLACE, N.W.
 WASHINGTON, D.C. 20008

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Mr. Clyde A. Tolson
4936 30th Place, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20008

Dear Mr. Tolson:

As I promised you earlier, enclosed is a copy of the memorial book concerning Mr. Hoover which was authorized to be printed and bound by Congress. You may wish to know that this book sets a precedent inasmuch as none like it have been published unless the person being paid the tribute had previously been a member of Congress or a President of the United States. This certainly speaks highly of Mr. Hoover and his lifelong devotion to the betterment of our great Nation. I am privileged and happy to make this copy available to you.

With my warmest best wishes,

Sincerely,

Clarence Kelley

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CLYDE TOLSON
February 13, 1974

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Honorable Clarence M. Kelley
Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Kelley:

Thank you very much for your letter of February 6, 1974 and for sending me a copy of a Senate report reflecting the authorization to print congressional eulogies and other tributes to Mr. Hoover.

It was indeed kind of you to make this report available to me and I am grateful for your thoughtfulness. I also appreciate your intention of arranging for me to receive a copy of this document in book form and shall certainly look forward to receiving it.

With best wishes and kind regards,

Sincerely,

Clyde Tolson

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February 6, 1974

Mr. Clyde A. Tolson
4936 36th Place, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20008

Dear Mr. Tolson:

Enclosed is a copy of a Senate report reflecting the authorization to print congressional eulogies and other tributes to Mr. Hoover which I thought you might like to have. I have written Senators Eastland and Hruska and expressed the gratitude of all of us in the FBI for their actions in doing this. Arrangements have been made through the FBI Recreation Association to purchase 1,000 copies of this document which will be in book form. It is anticipated it will be distributed to libraries as well as to members of Congress and I will see to it that you receive a copy once the book has been printed.

With warmest personal regards,

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Sincerely,

Clarence

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CLYDE TOLSON

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Also, I want you to know how appreciative I am of your visiting me recently. It was an enjoyable occasion and I do hope you will be able to do so again.

With best wishes and kind regards to you and to all of my friends in the Bureau, I am

Sincerely,

Clyde Tolson
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CLYDE TOLSON
 4936 30th PLACE, N.W.
 WASHINGTON, D.C. 20003

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

(Typed September 13, 1973)

Letter to All Special Agents in Charge:

RE: CLYDE A. TOLSON
Former Associate Director
Illness

Dear Sir:

I thought you may want to know that former Associate Director Clyde A. Tolson fell in his home on September 7, 1973. As a result, he was taken to Doctors Hospital, 1815 I Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. 20006, and is in Room 618.

There has not been any information released as to Mr. Tolson's condition nor the cause of his fall. The only information I have is that he seems to be getting along well, but I know he would appreciate hearing from friends with whom he has been formerly associated.

Very truly yours,

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Clarence M. Kelley
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Director

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*Sent to A. J. Sullivan
Mr. O'Neil
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(Typed September 13, 1973)

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MEMORANDUM 38-73

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

September 13, 1973

MEMORANDUM TO ALL SPECIAL AGENTS IN CHARGE:

RE: CLYDE A. TOLSON
Former Associate Director
Illness

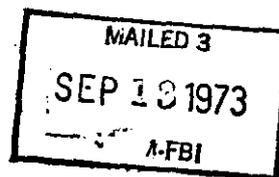
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Very truly yours,


Clarence M. Kelley
Director

9-13-73
MEMORANDUM 38-73



ENCLOSURE

September 4, 1973

Mr. Clyde A. Tolson
4936 30th Place, Northwest
Washington, D. C. 20008

Dear Mr. Tolson:

I certainly enjoyed my visit with you on August 24, 1973, and wanted to drop you this note to say that I hope I can meet with you in the future.

I was particularly pleased at your receptiveness to making available some of the mementos received by Mr. Hoover in the form of awards and plaques for display in the Memorial Room which will be established in Mr. Hoover's honor in the new FBI Building. I await your pleasure in working out whatever arrangements you wish with regard to handing these items over to the Bureau at your convenience.

I sincerely hope you will be able to overcome the eye difficulty you are having and that the therapy you are taking will enable you to get about more handily in the future. If there is anything I can do for you I hope you will not hesitate to call or let me know.

Sincerely,
Clarence

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
(ATTN: OFFICE OF LEGAL COUNSEL)

FROM: SAC, WFO

CLYDE TOLSON, FORMER ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR
PATRICK E. GRAY, FORMER DIRECTOR, ACTING
AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION
INFORMATION CONCERNING

On August 4, 1973, FRED THOMPSON^{Thompson}, Counsel for the
Minority, Senate Select Committee to Investigate Watergate,
was guest speaker before a luncheon meeting of General
Practitioner^s, American Bar Association Convention, at Grand
Ballroom, Mayflower Hotel, Washington, D. C.

THOMPSON^{Thompson} spoke about Committee activities and in answer
to questions from the audience stated: The Committee in
executive session has voted not to request CLYDE TOLSON, former
Associate Director, FBI, to be a witness during the first
phase of the hearings which are to end the week of August 5, 1973;
THOMPSON^{Thompson} indicated TOLSON may be called as a witness in the
next session to begin in the Fall. The question was asked
if consideration was being given to bring criminal charges
against PATRICK E. GRAY, former Director, FBI. THOMPSON^{Thompson}
answered that matter has not yet been resolved.

No other questions referred to the FBI
either directly or by inference. THOMPSON^{Thompson} in his speech did
not refer to the FBI.

Above furnished for information.

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Special Agent in Charge

Office of Legal Counsel

8/6/73

The American Bar Association's annual meeting, currently underway in Washington, D. C., is being covered by our Liaison representatives. On Saturday, August 4, 1973, Fred Thompson, Minority Counsel of Senate Select Committee on Watergate, spoke and stated that Clyde Tolson, former Associate Director, FBI, may be called as a witness before the Select Committee in the Fall, 1973. Thompson also stated that the question whether criminal charges would be brought against L. Patrick Gray had not yet been resolved.

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- Mr. Felt
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR:

Hoover's Last Years

There is not the slightest truth to the news account published May 15 in The Washington Post quoting former Assistant to the Director of the FBI, William C. Sullivan, as describing the late J. Edgar Hoover as "not of sound mind" in his last years.

This is simply the statement of a disgruntled former employee, William C. Sullivan, who was forced to retire from the FBI by Mr. Hoover in October, 1971.

CLYDE A. TOLSON,
Former Associate Director of the FBI,
Washington.

- The Washington Post Times Herald A-31
- The Evening Star (Washington)
- The Sunday Star (Washington)
- Daily News (New York)
- Sunday News (New York)
- New York Post
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- The Daily World
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Mr. ~~BAKER~~
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CLYDE TOLSON

May 17, 1973

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Mr. Benjamin C. Bradley
Executive Editor
The Washington Post
1150 15th Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20005

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Sincerely,
Clyde A. Tolson
Former Associate Director
of the FBI

cc Hon. Elliot Lee Richardson
Attorney General Designate

Hon. William D. Ruckelshaus
Acting Director, FBI

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March 8, 1973

Mr. Clyde A. Tolson
4936 30th Place, Northwest
Washington, D. C. 20008

Dear Mr. Tolson:

It occurred to me that you may wish to have the enclosed copies of my prepared testimony before the Judiciary Committee of the United States Senate.

I send these to you because you devoted so many years of your life to making the FBI the institution that it is in our country.

With my best wishes and warm regards,

Sincerely,

L. Patrick Gray III
L. Patrick Gray, III
Acting Director

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Enclosures (2)
LPG's Statement before Committee on the Judiciary, U. S. Senate,
Washington, D. C., 2-28-73.
LPG's Statement before Committee on the Judiciary, U. S. Senate,
Washington, D. C., 3-6-73.

Mr. Felt _____ NOTE: Mr. Tolson is the former Associate Director of the FBI.
Mr. Baker _____ Address per mailing list.
Mr. Callahan _____
Mr. Cleveland _____
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September 22, 1972

Mr. Clyde A. Tolson
4936 Thirtieth Place, Northwest
Washington, D. C. 20008

Dear Mr. Tolson:

On September 21st, it was my pleasure to accept from General Harold K. Johnson, President of Freedoms Foundation, awards honoring Mr. Hoover and the FBI.

There were three awards consisting of a George Washington Honor Medal for the FBI television program titled "The Target," originally shown December 6, 1970; a Distinguished Service Award for the February, 1971, FBI Law Enforcement Bulletin Introduction; and a Distinguished Service Award, plus \$100, for Mr. Hoover's address on October 22, 1971, before the Society of Former Special Agents of the FBI.

The check for \$100 was made payable to you as the executor of Mr. Hoover's estate and is enclosed herewith. The medals are being retained and will be appropriately displayed here.

Sincerely,
Pat Gray

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TO : Mr. Callahan *W*

DATE: July 3, 1972

FROM : H. N. Bassett *HNB*

SUBJECT: JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
CLYDE A. TOLSON
Federal Employees Group
Life Insurance

[Handwritten signature]

During the morning of Saturday, 7/1/72, Mr. Tolson telephonically contacted SA Hunsinger who was on duty in Mr. Callahan's office inquiring concerning (1) the status of disposition of Mr. Hoover's Federal Employees Group Life Insurance (FEGLI) and (2) the amount of Mr. Tolson's FEGLI. At that time Mr. Tolson was advised that the matter had been brought to the attention of FEGLI in New York and Mr. Brewer, who is handling Mr. Hoover's estate for Riggs National Bank, and that we would be glad to determine the status of Mr. Hoover's insurance. Mr. Tolson advised that would be satisfactory and to please call him Monday morning 7/3/72.

After checking, Mr. Tolson was telephonically contacted in the morning on 7/3/72, and advised that the claim form that he has executed for the FEGLI insurance rests with Riggs National Bank and that the bank will forward the claim to FEGLI in New York when the Probate Court officially designates Mr. Tolson executor of the estate. The same applies to unpaid compensation and money in Mr. Hoover's retirement account. He was informed that Mr. Hoover had regular life insurance in the amount of \$45,000.

With respect to his own insurance, Mr. Tolson was advised he has regular FEGLI life insurance in the amount of \$42,000, which will reduce by 2% each month beginning July, 1972, until it reaches 25% of the amount in effect before the first reduction, or \$10,500. This amount, \$10,500, will continue cost free to Mr. Tolson for the remainder of his life. Mr. Tolson was appreciative of receiving this information. He stated that he understands from Riggs that he is to be designated executor by the Probate Court sometime this week.

RECOMMENDATION:

None, this is for information.

RGH:ccb

1 - Mr. Adams
1 - Mr. Walsh
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1 - Mr. Row

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June 15, 1972

Mr. Clyde A. Tolson
4936 30th Place, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20008

Dear Mr. Tolson:

Enclosed is a copy of the June, 1972, issue of "The Investigator," which carries your photograph and an article concerning your retirement on page 16.

I express the thanks and appreciation of all FBI employees for the dedicated leadership which you so unselfishly gave to the Bureau. We wish you, as you so richly deserve, God's blessings and happiness in your retirement years.

Sincerely yours,

L. Patrick Gray III

L. Patrick Gray, III
Acting Director

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NOTIFICATION OF PERSONNEL ACTION

(FOR AGENCY USE)

1. NAME (CAPS) LAST-FIRST-MIDDLE TOLSON, CLYDE A. (MR.)		MR.-MISS-MRS.	2. (FOR AGENCY USE)	3. BIRTH DATE (Mo., Day, Year) 5-22-1900	4. SOCIAL SECURITY NO. 577-60-2204
5. VETERAN PREFERENCE 1 1-NO 3-10 PT DISAB 5-10 PT OTHER 2-5 PT 4-10 PT COMP.			6. TENURE GROUP	7. SERVICE COMP. DATE	
9. FEGLI 1 1-COVERED (Regular only - declined Optional) 2-INELIGIBLE 3-WAIVED 4-COVERED (Reg & Opt)			10. RETIREMENT 1 1-CS 3-FS 5-OTHER 2-FICA 4-NONE		11. (FOR CSC USE)
12. CODE NATURE OF ACTION SEPARATION OF RE-EMPLOYED ANNUITANT			13. EFFECTIVE DATE (Mo., Day, Year) cb 5-16-72		14. CIVIL SERVICE OR OTHER LEGAL AUTHORITY
15. FROM: POSITION TITLE AND NUMBER Associate Director 020			16. PAY PLAN AND OCCUPATION CODE	17. (a) GRADE OR LEVEL Level III	(b) STEP OR RATE \$40,000pa
19. NAME AND LOCATION OF EMPLOYING OFFICE Associate Director's Office Washington, D. C.					

20. TO: POSITION TITLE AND NUMBER		21. PAY PLAN AND OCCUPATION CODE	22. (a) GRADE OR LEVEL	(b) STEP OR RATE	23. SALARY
24. NAME AND LOCATION OF EMPLOYING OFFICE					

25. DUTY STATION (City-county-State)				26. LOCATION CODE	
27. APPROPRIATION S. & E., FBI		28. POSITION OCCUPIED 1-COMPETITIVE SERVICE 2 2-EXCEPTED SERVICE	29. APPORTIONED POSITION FROM: 1-PROVED-1 2-WAIVED-2		STATE

30. REMARKS: A SUBJECT TO COMPLETION OF 1 YEAR PROBATIONARY (OR TRIAL) PERIOD COMMENCING
 B SERVICE COUNTING TOWARD CAREER (OR PERMANENT) TENURE FROM
 C. DURING PROBATION

**Mr. Tolson was automatically retired on 5-31-70 and reappointed 6-1-70.
 Forwarding Address: Apartment 1316
 4000 Massachusetts Avenue, Northwest
 Washington, D. C. 20016**

Mr. Tolson resigned due to ill health.

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Paid hereon for the period 5/14/72 thru cb 5/16/72. Lump-sum payment to cover 744 hrs. ending cb 9/22/72, 3 holidays included.

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31. DATE OF APPOINTMENT AFFIDAVIT (Accountants only)		34. SIGNATURE (Or other authentication) AND TITLE <i>L. Patrick Gray III</i>	
32. OFFICE MAINTAINING PERSONNEL FOLDER (If different from employing office)		35. DATE 5-4-72 Acting Director	
33. CODE EMPLOYING DEPARTMENT OR AGENCY DJ 02 FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON D. C. 20535			

APPLICATION FOR RETIREMENT
CIVIL SERVICE RETIREMENT SYSTEM

(USE ONLY IF SEPARATED ON OR AFTER
OCTOBER 20, 1969)

To Avoid Delay--1. Read Information Carefully; 2. Complete Application in Full; 3. Type in Ink

A. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION

1. NAME (Last) (First) (Middle) TOLSON CLYDE A			2. LIST ALL OTHER NAMES YOU HAVE USED -----		
3. ADDRESS (Including ZIP code) 4936 30th Place, Northwest Washington, D. C. 20008			4. PHONE NUMBER (Including Area Code)	5. DATE OF BIRTH (Month) (Day) (Year) May 22, 1900	6. SOCIAL SECURITY ACCOUNT NUMBER 577 60 2204
8A. ARE YOU MARRIED <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO			7A. ARE YOU A CITIZEN OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO		7B. IF "NO", OF WHAT COUNTRY ARE YOU A CITIZEN?
WIFE'S OR HUSBAND'S NAME (First) (Middle)		HIS (OR HIS) BIRTH DATE (Month) (Day) (Year)	HER (OR HIS) SOCIAL SECURITY ACCOUNT NUMBER	DATE OF MARRIAGE (Month) (Day) (Year)	PLACE OF MARRIAGE (City) (State)
MARRIAGE PERFORMED BY: <input type="checkbox"/> CLERGYMAN OR JUSTICE OF THE PEACE <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (Specify)		9A. DO YOU HAVE ANY UNMARRIED CHILDREN UNDER AGE 22 (Or over age 22 and incapable of self support because of a disability incurred before age 18)? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO			
9B. IF "YES" LIST NAME AND DATE OF BIRTH OF EACH CHILD. WRITE THE WORD "DISABLED" AFTER CHILD'S NAME WHERE APPLICABLE					
CHILD'S NAME (First) (Middle) (Last)		DATE OF BIRTH (Mo.) (Day) (Yr.)		CHILD'S NAME (First) (Middle) (Last)	

B. CIVILIAN AND MILITARY SERVICE

1. DEPARTMENT OR AGENCY IN WHICH PRESENTLY OR LAST EMPLOYED, INCLUDING BUREAU OR DIVISION, AND ADDRESS, INCLUDING ZIP CODE United States Department of Justice Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington, D. C. 20535		2. DATE OF FINAL SEPARATION (Month) (Day) (Year) May 16, 1972	3. APPROXIMATE YEARS OF FEDERAL SERVICE CIVILIAN MILITARY 53 yrs.
5. DO YOU HAVE FEDERAL EMPLOYEES GROUP LIFE INSURANCE? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO		6. IF YOU HAVE REGULAR LIFE INSURANCE, DO YOU ALSO HAVE OPTIONAL LIFE INSURANCE? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	7A. HAVE YOU BEEN ENROLLED IN A PLAN UNDER THE FEDERAL EMPLOYEES HEALTH BENEFITS PROGRAM SINCE YOUR FIRST OPPORTUNITY TO ENROLL OR FOR AT LEAST FIVE YEARS IMMEDIATELY BEFORE YOUR RETIREMENT? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
8. COMPLETE THE SCHEDULE BELOW IF YOU HAVE PERFORMED ACTIVE DUTY THAT TERMINATED UNDER HONORABLE CONDITIONS IN ANY OF THE FOLLOWING SERVICES: (A) ARMY, NAVY, MARINE CORPS, AIR FORCE, OR COAST GUARD OF THE UNITED STATES; OR (B) REGULAR CORPS OF RESERVE CORPS OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE AFTER JUNE 30, 1960; OR (C) AS A COMMISSIONED OFFICER OF THE COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY AFTER JUNE 30, 1961; OR (D) AS A COMMISSIONED OFFICER OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE SERVICES ADMINISTRATION. ATTACH A COPY OF YOUR DISCHARGE CERTIFICATE OR OTHER CERTIFICATE OF ACTIVE MILITARY SERVICE, IF AVAILABLE.		7B. IF "YES" PLEASE LIST YOUR CURRENT: CARRIER CONTROL NUMBER ENROLLMENT CODE NUMBER	
4. TITLE OF LAST POSITION Associate Director		10 mos.	
BRANCH OF SERVICE	SERIAL NUMBER	DATE OF ENTRANCE ON ACTIVE DUTY	DATE OF SEPARATION FROM ACTIVE DUTY
9A. ARE YOU A MILITARY RESERVIST (Either Active or Inactive)? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO		9B. ARE YOU IN RECEIPT OF OR HAVE YOU EVER APPLIED FOR MILITARY RETIRED PAY? (Retired pay does not include V.A. pension or compensation.) <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	
		9C. IF "YES" WERE YOU RETIRED FROM A RESERVE COMPONENT UNDER CHAPTER 67, TITLE 10, USC? (Formerly Title III, Public Law 80-810) <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	

C. DISABILITY INFORMATION (Only Applicants for Total Disability Retirement Will Complete This Part)

1. BRIEFLY DESCRIBE YOUR DISABILITIES, STATE WHEN OCCURRED, AND HOW THEY INTERFERE WITH PERFORMANCE OF THE DUTIES OF YOUR POSITION. (ATTACH ADDITIONAL COMMENTS ON PLAIN SHEET OF PAPER, IF NECESSARY.) ALSO, STATE MONTH AND YEAR IN WHICH YOU BECAME TOTALLY DISABLED.
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D. OTHER CLAIM INFORMATION

1A. HAVE YOU EVER RECEIVED OR MADE APPLICATION FOR COMPENSATION UNDER THE FEDERAL EMPLOYEES' COMPENSATION ACT? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	1B. IF "YES" STATE THE NUMBER OF YOUR COMPENSATION CLAIM AND THE PERIOD FOR WHICH YOU RECEIVED COMPENSATION: CLAIM NUMBER: FROM (Mo.) (Day) (Year) TO (Mo.) (Day) (Year)
2A. HAVE YOU PREVIOUSLY FILED ANY APPLICATION UNDER THE CIVIL SERVICE RETIREMENT SYSTEM, INCLUDING APPLICATION FOR RETIREMENT, REFUND, DEPOSIT OR REDEPOSIT, OR VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO REMOVED BY SRD	2B. IF "YES" INDICATE THE TYPE(S) OF APPLICATION AND GIVE THE CLAIM NUMBER(S) IF KNOWN: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RETIREMENT <input type="checkbox"/> DEPOSIT OR REDEPOSIT <input type="checkbox"/> REFUND <input type="checkbox"/> VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS CLAIM NUMBER(S): 1220988
3A. DO YOU HAVE LIFE INSURANCE THROUGH YOUR EMPLOYEE BENEFICIAL ASSOCIATION FOR WHICH YOU NOW PAY PREMIUMS TO THE ASSOCIATION? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	3B. IF "YES" GIVE YOUR ACCOUNT NUMBER
4A. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN EMPLOYED UNDER ANOTHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM FOR FEDERAL OR DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA EMPLOYEES? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	4B. IF "YES" GIVE THE NAME OF THE OTHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM

INDICATE, BY SIGNING YOUR INITIALS IN THE APPROPRIATE BOX BELOW, THE TYPE OF ANNUITY YOU WANT TO RECEIVE. READ THE EXPLANATIONS AND CONSIDER THE MATTER CAREFULLY. NO CHANGE WILL BE PERMITTED AFTER AN ANNUITY HAS BEEN STARTED. IF YOU WANT AN ANNUITY WITH A SURVIVOR BENEFIT, BE SURE TO GIVE THE OTHER INFORMATION CALLED FOR.

F. TYPES OF ANNUITY: MARRIED APPLICANTS ONLY

1. INITIALS ANNUITY WITH SURVIVOR BENEFIT TO WIDOW OR WIDOWER

INITIALS ANNUITY WITHOUT SURVIVOR BENEFIT

(I do not desire my wife (or husband) to receive a survivor annuity benefit after my death.)

2. INITIALS ANNUITY WITHOUT SURVIVOR BENEFIT

1. INITIALS ANNUITY WITHOUT SURVIVOR BENEFIT

2. INITIALS ANNUITY WITH SURVIVOR BENEFIT TO NAMED PERSON HAVING AN INSURABLE INTEREST

SPECIFY THE PORTION OF YOUR ANNUITY YOU WANT USED AS THE BASE FOR YOUR WIDOW'S (OR WIDOWER'S) SURVIVOR ANNUITY.

If you want all your annuity used as the base for the survivor benefit, write the word "all" in the box below. If you want only part of your annuity used as the base for the survivor benefit, write the yearly amount of your annuity you want used.

THE SURVIVOR'S ANNUITY WILL BE 55% OF ALL OR WHATEVER PORTION OF YOUR ANNUITY YOU SPECIFY AS THE BASE FOR HER (OR HIS) BENEFIT.

- If you are married, you will receive this type of annuity unless you choose the annuity in F. 2.
- The annuity payable to you during your lifetime will be reduced by 2 1/2% of any amount up to \$3,600 a year used as the base for the survivor benefit, plus 10% of any amount over \$3,600 so used.
- If your wife (or husband) should die before you, no change in type of annuity will be permitted, your annuity will not be increased, nor may you name any other person as survivor.
- The survivor's annuity will not begin until your death.

G. TYPES OF ANNUITY: UNMARRIED APPLICANTS ONLY (Including Widowed and Divorced)

1. INITIALS ANNUITY WITHOUT SURVIVOR BENEFIT

2. INITIALS ANNUITY WITH SURVIVOR BENEFIT TO NAMED PERSON HAVING AN INSURABLE INTEREST

SPECIFY THE NAME, RELATIONSHIP, DATE OF BIRTH, AND SOCIAL SECURITY ACCOUNT NUMBER OF THE PERSON YOU WISH TO RECEIVE THE SURVIVOR ANNUITY

NAME OF PERSON (First, middle, last)

RELATIONSHIP DATE OF BIRTH (Mo., day, yr.)

SOCIAL SECURITY ACCOUNT NUMBER

SEE UNMARRIED EMPLOYEES UNDER INFORMATION REGARDING SURVIVOR ANNUITIES ON THE ATTACHED INFORMATION SHEET FOR EXPLANATION OF REDUCTION IN YOUR ANNUITY.

- If you are not married, you will receive this type of annuity unless you choose the annuity in G. 2.
- This type provides annuity payments to you only.
- This type is available to all retiring unmarried employees who are in good health.
- It provides a reduced annuity to you and a survivor annuity to the person named as having an insurable interest.
- The survivor's annuity will not begin until your death.
- The survivor's annuity will be 55% of the reduced annuity you receive.
- If you choose this type of annuity you will have to undergo a medical examination which will be arranged by the Civil Service Commission at no cost to you.
- If the person named as having an insurable interest should die before you, no change in type of annuity will be permitted, your annuity will not be increased, nor may you name any other person as survivor.

H. CERTIFICATION OF APPLICANT

WARNING.—Any intentional false statement in this application or willful misrepresentation relative thereto is a violation of the law punishable by a fine of not more than \$10,000 or imprisonment of not more than 5 years, or both (18 U.S.C. 1001).

I hereby certify that all statements made in this application are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

5-8-72 (DATE) *Charles A. Johnson* (SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT)

I. FOR USE OF EMPLOYING AGENCY (See FPM Supplement 831-1 for instructions.)

CHECK APPROPRIATE BOX:

INDIVIDUAL RETIREMENT RECORD, SF 2806, AND REGISTER OF SEPARATIONS AND TRANSFERS, SF 2807, ARE ATTACHED.

INDIVIDUAL RETIREMENT RECORD, SF 2806, WAS SENT TO U.S. CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION ON _____ (DATE)

WITH REGISTER OF SEPARATIONS AND TRANSFERS, SF 2807, NO. _____

NAME OF AGENCY PERSON WHO CAN FURNISH ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT THIS APPLICATION, IF NECESSARY (Type or print) **Maurice F. Row**

TELEPHONE NUMBER, INCLUDING AREA CODE **202 EX 3-7100 X635**

SIGNATURE OF RESPONSIBLE AGENCY OFFICIAL *[Signature]* **D. E. Cox**

OFFICIAL TITLE **Authorized Certifying Officer** DATE **5-18-72**

DEPARTMENT OR AGENCY **Federal Bureau of Investigation**

OFFENSES BARRING ANNUITY PAYMENTS: Title 5 USC 8312 prohibits payment of annuity to persons who have committed specified offenses involving the national security of the United States. Employing agencies are responsible for submitting all pertinent information to the Civil Service Commission's Bureau of Retirement, Insurance, and Occupational Health in any case when this law possibly applies.

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Supplemental for Re-employed annuitant

LAST NAME TOULSON	FIRST NAME CLYDE A.	MIDDLE NAME	DATE OF BIRTH MO. DAY YR. 5 22 00	LOC. SEC. NO. 577 60 2204	AGENCY Justice	PAYROLL OFFICE FBI	LOCATION Washington	PAYROLL OFFICE NO. 15-02-0001
(RECORD EACH NAME CHANGE - STRIKE OUT PREVIOUS NAME)			DO NOT USE					

SERVICE HISTORY	FISCAL RECORD	DATE OF BIRTH		LOC. SEC. NO.		AGENCY	PAYROLL OFFICE	LOCATION	PAYROLL OFFICE NO.
		MO.	DAY	YR.					
(11) 6-1-70 Exec. Asst.-Indef. (Reemployed- Annuitant) 5/16/72 SUPERVISOR OF INVESTIGATION AND TRAINING	(12) 40,000 Associate Director	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)
REPORT OF DEDUCTIONS THROUGH 5-31-79 SUBMITTED WITH SF 2807 No. CSC-70-124 DATED 6-19-70									
Unused sick leave 0 hours 5 U.S.C. Ch. 63 Not Indebted on account of unexpired leave									
U.S. Department of Justice Certified Accountant Carrying Office, Federal Bureau of Investigation Date 5-18-72									

SF 2801, SF 26 and 6 CSC 5-22-72

AGENCY CERTIFICATION OF INSURANCE STATUS
Federal Employees Group Life Insurance Program

1. NAME (Last) (First) (Middle) 2(a). DATE OF BIRTH (Month, Day, Year) 2(b). SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER
TOLSON, CLYDE A. 5-22-1900 577 | 60 | 2204
"Re-employed Annuitant" CSA 1-220-988

3. CHECK THE REASON FOR TERMINATING INSURANCE

(a) SEPARATED (c) DIED (d) 12 MONTHS NON-PAY STATUS (e) OTHER (Specify)

(b) RETIRED

HAD EMPLOYEE AT TIME OF DEATH APPLIED FOR CIVIL SERVICE ANNUITY?
 YES NO

4. CHECK APPROPRIATE BOX CONCERNING SF 54, DESIGNATION OF BENEFICIARY

(a) CURRENT SF 54 ATTACHED (b) A CURRENT SF 54 IS NOT ON FILE WITH THIS AGENCY (c) A CURRENT SF 54 IS ON FILE IN THE EMPLOYEE'S OFFICIAL PERSONNEL FOLDER (OR EQUIVALENT)

NOTE: IF EMPLOYEE (A) DIED OR (B) IS RETIRING OR RECEIVING FEDERAL EMPLOYEES' COMPENSATION UNDER CONDITIONS ENTITLING HIM TO RETAIN HIS LIFE INSURANCE, ATTACH CURRENT SF 54, IF ANY, TO ORIGINAL SF 56 AND CHECK BOX 4 (a) ON ORIGINAL AND ALL COPIES OF SF 56; IF NO CURRENT SF 54 IS ON FILE, CHECK BOX 4 (b). IN ALL OTHER CASES, SHOW WHETHER OR NOT CURRENT SF 54 IS ON FILE BY CHECKING BOX 4 (b) OR (c). A CURRENT SF 54 IS ONE THAT HAS NOT BEEN CANCELED BY EMPLOYEE OR AUTOMATICALLY BY TRANSFER OR PRIOR TERMINATION OF INSURANCE.

5. DATE OF EVENT CHECKED IN ITEM 3 (MONTH, DAY, YEAR) 6. ANNUAL BASIC PAY RATE (NOT AMOUNT OF INSURANCE) ON DATE IN ITEM 5. CONVERT DAILY, HOURLY, PIECEWORK, ETC. RATE TO ANNUAL RATE. 7. DID EMPLOYEE HAVE OPTIONAL INSURANCE ON DATE IN ITEM 5? NO YES IF YES, GIVE RECEIPT DATE OF ELECTION OF OPTIONAL INSURANCE (SF 176 or 176-T): 8. DATE OF NOTICE OF CONVERSION PRIVILEGE (SF 55) TO EMPLOYEE (MONTH, DAY, YEAR)

5-16-72 \$40,000 PER ANNUM

9. I CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE INFORMATION HAS BEEN OBTAINED FROM, AND CORRECTLY REFLECTS, OFFICIAL RECORDS AND THAT THE EMPLOYEE NAMED WAS COVERED BY FEDERAL EMPLOYEES GROUP LIFE INSURANCE ON THE DATE SHOWN IN ITEM 5.

(Personal signature of authorized agency official) *N. P. Callahan* 5-4-72 (Date)
N. P. Callahan Assistant Director
 (Typed name of authorized agency official) (Title)
Federal Bureau of Investigation Washington, D. C. 20535
 (Name of agency) (Mailing address, including ZIP Code of agency)

SEE OTHER SIDE FOR INSTRUCTIONS TO EMPLOYING AGENCY

*orig to Voucher
duplicate copy
sent Mr. Tolson
5-9-72
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INSTRUCTIONS TO EMPLOYING AGENCY

COMPLETION OF CERTIFICATION

1. This Certification must be completed in triplicate whenever an employee's insurance terminates for:
 - a. Death.
 - b. Retirement on an immediate annuity with 12 or more years' creditable service, of which at least 5 years are civilian service, or on account of disability. (An immediate annuity is one which begins to accrue not later than 1 month after the date the insurance would normally cease.) In a disability retirement case, do not complete SF 56 until a finding of disability has been officially made and the employee's separation is in order.
 - c. Completion of 12 months in a non-pay status or separation, and the employee is receiving benefits under the Federal Employees' Compensation law, and held unable to return to duty.
 - d. Any other reason, if the employee desires to convert his life insurance, except under the following circumstances:
 - (1) Employee waived or declined on SF 176 (or SF 176-T);
 - (2) If it is known that, within 3 calendar days after the date the insurance terminated, the employee will return to Government service in the same or another position in which he will be eligible to reacquire Federal Employees Group Life Insurance;
 - (3) More than 75 days have elapsed from the date insurance terminated unless specific request is made therefor by the Civil Service Commission or the Office of Federal Employees' Group Life Insurance.
2. If insurance terminated on account of death, indicate in item 3(a) whether the employee had filed an Application for Retirement (SF 2801) with the Civil Service Commission.
3. In item 8, give date of Notice of Conversion Privilege (SF 55), except that if this form (SF 56) is issued in lieu of SF 55, give current date. In case of death, leave this item blank.
4. It is important whenever a duplicate SF 56 is issued to replace one which has been lost, that it be clearly marked "DUPLICATE".

DISPOSITION OF CERTIFICATION

1. Death of employee—
 - a. Send duplicate of SF 56 immediately to the Office of Federal Employees' Group Life Insurance.
 - b. Keep the original (preferably in the Official Personnel Folder or its equivalent) for attachment to a claim for death benefits (Form FE-6) when received.
 - c. If no claim is received, send original SF 56, upon request, to the Office of Federal Employees' Group Life Insurance.
 - d. If the deceased employee has a current Designation of Beneficiary (SF 54) on file, the SF 54 must be attached to the original SF 56 when it is sent to the Office of Federal Employees' Group Life Insurance.
2. Retirement of employee—
 - a. If the employee is applying for an immediate annuity with 12 or more years' creditable service (of which at least 5 years are civilian service) or for disability, attach the original SF 56 and current Designation of Beneficiary (SF 54), if any, to the Application for Retirement and give duplicate of SF 56 to the employee. [NOTE: In a disability retirement case where the retirement application has already been sent to the Civil Service Commission, attach the original SF 56 (and SF 54, if any) to the "FINAL" Individual Retirement Record (SF 2806).]
 - b. If the employee wants to continue only his regular insurance, have him complete a SF 176 declining his optional insurance. If he wants to convert only his optional insurance, prepare a statement (see below), in duplicate, for him to sign, attach both copies of the statement to the original SF 56, and submit with application for retirement as instructed in 2a above.

Illustrative Statement

"I want to continue my regular insurance after retirement but would like additional information on converting my optional insurance."

(Employee's signature)

(Address—print or type)

(Date)

- c. If the employee prefers to convert both his regular and optional insurance to an individual policy, give him the original and duplicate copy of the SF 56. Retain SF 54, if any.
3. If employee is receiving compensation benefits—
 - a. Before completing item 7 contact the local Bureau of Employees' Compensation Office, if necessary, to confirm whether the employee still has optional insurance.
 - b. Have the employee complete appropriate box on reverse side of the original SF 56. Send original SF 56 and current Designation of Beneficiary (SF 54), if any, to the U. S. CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION, BUREAU OF RETIREMENT AND INSURANCE, WASHINGTON, D. C., 20415, and give duplicate copy of SF 56 to the employee.
 - c. If the employee prefers to convert his group insurance to an individual policy, give him the original and duplicate copy of the SF 56. Retain SF 54, if any.
4. All other cases—

Upon request, give the employee the original and duplicate copy of the SF 56 or mail them to him.
5. In all cases—

Retain file copy of the SF 56 in the employee's Official Personnel Folder or its equivalent.

PROMPT CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENT

The time in which an employee may convert his group life insurance to an individual policy is limited. This SF 56 must be completed and delivered or mailed to him promptly.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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Wickert	_____
Walters	_____
Soyars	_____
Tele. Room	_____
Holmes	_____
Gandy	_____

TO : Mr. Callahan

DATE: 5-5-72

FROM : H. N. Bassett *HN*

SUBJECT: J. EDGAR HOOVER
DECEASED 5-1-72
SPECIAL AGENTS INSURANCE FUND

A cashier's check in the amount of \$20,000 payable to Clyde A. Tolson, designated beneficiary of Mr. Hoover, who was a member of the Special Agents Insurance Fund, was delivered to Mr. Mohr for transmittal to Mr. Tolson on this date.

ACTION:

Submitted as a matter of record.

HN *smc*

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1 - Mr. Miller
1 - Mr. Northrup
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May 4, 1972

Mr. Clyde A. Tolson
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Tolson:

It is with the deepest regret that I accept your resignation as Associate Director of the FBI. I had looked forward to working with you and to having the benefit of your counsel and your vast knowledge of the Bureau. However, I fully understand your desire to safeguard your health and why you feel you must leave at this time.

You have certainly earned the right to make this change and I sincerely hope it proves to be everything you expect for you deserve nothing less. Under your capable leadership, the FBI reached new heights in achievement and in service to the American people, and you can take justifiable pride in this. Be assured, too, that you will be sorely missed by the host of people who are profoundly grateful to have had you as a friend and colleague over the years.

You have my warmest best wishes for an improvement in your health and for a future filled with personal satisfaction and a deep contentment over having done a difficult job superbly.

Sincerely yours,

L. Patrick Gray, III
Acting Director

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May 3, 1972

Honorable Louis Patrick Gray III
Acting Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Clyde A. Tolson

Dear Mr. Gray:

Due to ill health, I hereby submit
my resignation as Associate Director of the
FBI, active duty to cease at the close of
business today, May 3, 1972.

Sincerely,

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ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR



*Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.*

May 3, 1972

Honorable Louis Patrick Gray III
Acting Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

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FBI, active duty to cease at the close of
business today, May 3, 1972.

Sincerely,

Clyde A. Tolson

*File 5-4-72
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RECEIPT FOR GOVERNMENT PROPERTY
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Date 5-3-72

I certify that I have received returned the following Government property for official use:

- Bureau Badge with case #4
- Commission Card with case #2 *being mounted*
- .38 S & W Military and Police Revolver #D-138446
- Holster and adapter
- .32 Colt Pocket Positive Revolver #156482 (this is in Safe in Property Mgt) *yes*

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The Government property which you hereby acknowledge is charged to you and you are responsible for taking care of it and returning it when its use has been completed.

DO NOT MARK OR WRITE ON IT OR MUTILATE IT IN ANY WAY.

Very truly yours,

(Signature) _____

(Typed name) Clyde A. Tolson

NOT RECORDED
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**APPLICATION FOR RETIREMENT
CIVIL SERVICE RETIREMENT SYSTEM**

(USE ONLY IF SEPARATED ON OR AFTER
OCTOBER 20, 1969)

To Avoid Delay—1. Read Information Carefully; 2. Complete Application in Full; 3. Typewrite or Print in Ink

A. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION

1. NAME (Last) (First) (Middle) TOLSON CLYDE			2. LIST ALL OTHER NAMES YOU HAVE USED -----		
3. ADDRESS (Including ZIP code) 4936 30th Place, Northwest Washington, D. C. 20008			4. PHONE NUMBER (Including Area Code) -----	5. DATE OF BIRTH (Month) (Day) (Year) May 22, 1900	6. SOCIAL SECURITY ACCOUNT NUMBER 577 60 2204
8A. ARE YOU MARRIED <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO			7A. ARE YOU A CITIZEN OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO		7B. IF "NO", OF WHAT COUNTRY ARE YOU A CITIZEN? -----
8B. IF "YES" GIVE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION			8B. IF "YES" GIVE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION		
WIFE'S OR HUSBAND'S NAME (First) (Middle)	HIS (OR HIS) BIRTH DATE (Month) (Day) (Year)	HIS (OR HIS) SOCIAL SECURITY ACCOUNT NUMBER	DATE OF MARRIAGE (Month) (Day) (Year)	PLACE OF MARRIAGE (City) (State)	MARRIAGE PERFORMED BY: <input type="checkbox"/> CLERGYMAN OR JUSTICE OF THE PEACE <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (Specify)
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9A. DO YOU HAVE ANY UNMARRIED CHILDREN UNDER AGE 22 (Or over age 22 and incapable of self support because of a disability incurred before age 18)? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO					
9B. IF "YES" LIST NAME AND DATE OF BIRTH OF EACH CHILD. WRITE THE WORD "DISABLED" AFTER CHILD'S NAME WHERE APPLICABLE					
CHILD'S NAME (First) (Middle) (Last)	DATE OF BIRTH (Mo.) (Day) (Yr.)	CHILD'S NAME (First) (Middle) (Last)	DATE OF BIRTH (Mo.) (Day) (Yr.)		
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B. CIVILIAN AND MILITARY SERVICE

1. DEPARTMENT OR AGENCY IN WHICH PRESENTLY OR LAST EMPLOYED, INCLUDING BUREAU OR DIVISION, AND ADDRESS, INCLUDING ZIP CODE United States Department of Justice Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington, D. C. 20535		2. DATE OF FINAL SEPARATION (Month) (Day) (Year) May 18, 1972	3. APPROXIMATE YEARS OF FEDERAL SERVICE CIVILIAN 53 yrs. MILITARY 10 mos.		
4. TITLE OF LAST POSITION Associate Director					
5. DO YOU HAVE FEDERAL EMPLOYEES GROUP LIFE INSURANCE? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	6. IF YOU HAVE REGULAR LIFE INSURANCE, DO YOU ALSO HAVE OPTIONAL LIFE INSURANCE? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	7A. HAVE YOU BEEN ENROLLED IN A PLAN UNDER THE FEDERAL EMPLOYEES HEALTH BENEFITS PROGRAM SINCE YOUR FIRST OPPORTUNITY TO ENROLL OR FOR AT LEAST FIVE YEARS IMMEDIATELY BEFORE YOUR RETIREMENT? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	7B. IF "YES" PLEASE LIST YOUR CURRENT: CARRIER CONTROL NUMBER ENROLLMENT CODE NUMBER		
8. COMPLETE THE SCHEDULE BELOW IF YOU HAVE PERFORMED ACTIVE DUTY THAT TERMINATED UNDER HONORABLE CONDITIONS IN ANY OF THE FOLLOWING SERVICES: (A) ARMY, NAVY, MARINE CORPS, AIR FORCE, OR COAST GUARD OF THE UNITED STATES; OR (B) REGULAR CORPS OR RESERVE CORPS OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE AFTER JUNE 30, 1960; OR (C) AS A COMMISSIONED OFFICER OF THE COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY AFTER JUNE 30, 1961; OR (D) AS A COMMISSIONED OFFICER OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE SERVICES ADMINISTRATION. ATTACH A COPY OF YOUR DISCHARGE CERTIFICATE OR OTHER CERTIFICATE OF ACTIVE MILITARY SERVICE, IF AVAILABLE.					
BRANCH OF SERVICE	SERIAL NUMBER	DATE OF ENTRANCE ON ACTIVE DUTY	DATE OF SEPARATION FROM ACTIVE DUTY	LAST GRADE OR RANK	ORGANIZATION AT DISCHARGE (Div., Regt., Co., etc.)
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9A. ARE YOU A MILITARY RESERVIST (Either Active or Inactive)? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO		9B. ARE YOU IN RECEIPT OF OR HAVE YOU EVER APPLIED FOR MILITARY RETIRED PAY? (Retired pay does not include V.A. pension or compensation.) <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO		9C. IF "YES" WERE YOU RETIRED FROM A RESERVE COMPONENT UNDER CHAPTER 67, TITLE 10, USC? (Formerly Title III, Public Law 80-810) <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	

C. DISABILITY INFORMATION (Only Applicants for Total Disability Retirement Will Complete This Part)

1. BRIEFLY DESCRIBE YOUR DISABILITIES. STATE WHEN OCCURRED, AND HOW THEY INTERFERE WITH PERFORMANCE OF THE DUTIES OF YOUR POSITION. (ATTACH ADDITIONAL COMMENTS ON PLAIN SHEET OF PAPER, IF NECESSARY.) ALSO, STATE MONTH AND YEAR IN WHICH YOU BECAME TOTALLY DISABLED.

D. OTHER CLAIM INFORMATION

1A. HAVE YOU EVER RECEIVED OR MADE APPLICATION FOR COMPENSATION UNDER THE FEDERAL EMPLOYEES' COMPENSATION ACT? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	1B. IF "YES" STATE THE NUMBER OF YOUR COMPENSATION CLAIM AND THE PERIOD FOR WHICH YOU RECEIVED COMPENSATION: CLAIM NUMBER FROM (Mo.) (Day) (Year) TO (Mo.) (Day) (Year)
2A. HAVE YOU PREVIOUSLY FILED ANY APPLICATION UNDER THE CIVIL SERVICE RETIREMENT SYSTEM, INCLUDING APPLICATION FOR RETIREMENT, REFUND, DEPOSIT OR REDEPOSIT, OR VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	2B. IF "YES" INDICATE THE TYPE(S) OF APPLICATION AND GIVE THE CLAIM NUMBER(S) IF KNOWN <input type="checkbox"/> RETIREMENT <input type="checkbox"/> DEPOSIT OR REDEPOSIT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS 1220958
3A. DO YOU HAVE LIFE INSURANCE THROUGH A FORMER EMPLOYEE BENEFICIAL ASSOCIATION FOR WHICH YOU NOW PAY PREMIUMS TO THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	3B. IF "YES" GIVE YOUR ACCOUNT NUMBER B
4A. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN EMPLOYED UNDER ANOTHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM FOR FEDERAL OR DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA EMPLOYEES? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	4B. IF "YES" GIVE THE NAME OF THE OTHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM S/

INDICATE, BY SIGNING YOUR INITIALS IN THE APPROPRIATE BOX BELOW, THE TYPE OF ANNUITY YOU WANT TO RECEIVE. READ THE EXPLANATIONS AND CONSIDER THE MATTER CAREFULLY. NO CHANGE WILL BE PERMITTED AFTER AN ANNUITY HAS BEEN GRANTED. IF YOU WANT AN ANNUITY WITH A SURVIVOR BENEFIT, BE SURE TO GIVE THE OTHER INFORMATION CALLED FOR.

F. TYPES OF ANNUITY: MARRIED APPLICANTS ONLY

1. INITIALS ANNUITY WITH SURVIVOR BENEFIT TO WIDOW OR WIDOWER

● If you are married, you will receive this type of annuity unless you choose the annuity in F. 2.

● The annuity payable to you during your lifetime will be reduced by 2½% of any amount up to \$3,600 a year used as the base for the survivor benefit, plus 10% of any amount over \$3,600 so used.

● If your wife (or husband) should die before you, no change in type of annuity will be permitted, your annuity will not be increased, nor may you name any other person as survivor.

● The survivor's annuity will not begin until your death.

SPECIFY THE PORTION OF YOUR ANNUITY YOU WANT USED AS THE BASE FOR YOUR WIDOW'S (OR WIDOWER'S) SURVIVOR ANNUITY.

If you want all your annuity used as the base for the survivor benefit, write the word "all" in the box below. If you want only part of your annuity used as the base for the survivor benefit, write the yearly amount of your annuity you want used.

\$ _____ THE SURVIVOR'S ANNUITY WILL BE 55% OF ALL OR WHATEVER PORTION OF YOUR ANNUITY YOU SPECIFY AS THE BASE FOR HER (OR HIS) BENEFIT.

2. INITIALS ANNUITY WITHOUT SURVIVOR BENEFIT
(I do not desire my wife (or husband) to receive a survivor annuity benefit after my death.)

● If you choose this type, your wife (or husband) cannot be paid a survivor annuity after your death.

● This type provides annuity payments to you only.

G. TYPES OF ANNUITY: UNMARRIED APPLICANTS ONLY (Including Widowed and Divorced)

1. INITIALS ANNUITY WITHOUT SURVIVOR BENEFIT

● If you are not married, you will receive this type of annuity unless you choose the annuity in G. 2.

● This type provides annuity payments to you only.

2. INITIALS ANNUITY WITH SURVIVOR BENEFIT TO NAMED PERSON HAVING AN INSURABLE INTEREST

● This type is available to all retiring *unmarried* employees who are *in good health*.

● It provides a reduced annuity to you and a survivor annuity to the person named as having an insurable interest.

● The survivor's annuity will not begin until your death.

● The survivor's annuity will be 55% of the reduced annuity you receive.

● If you choose this type of annuity you will have to undergo a medical examination which will be arranged by the Civil Service Commission at no cost to you.

● If the person named as having an insurable interest should die before you, no change in type of annuity will be permitted, your annuity will not be increased, nor may you name any other person as survivor.

SPECIFY THE NAME, RELATIONSHIP, DATE OF BIRTH, AND SOCIAL SECURITY ACCOUNT NUMBER OF THE PERSON YOU WISH TO RECEIVE THE SURVIVOR ANNUITY

NAME OF PERSON (First, middle, last)	
RELATIONSHIP	DATE OF BIRTH (Mo., day, yr.)
	SOCIAL SECURITY ACCOUNT NUMBER

SEE UNMARRIED EMPLOYEES UNDER INFORMATION REGARDING SURVIVOR ANNUITIES ON THE ATTACHED INFORMATION SHEET FOR EXPLANATION OF REDUCTION IN YOUR ANNUITY.

H. CERTIFICATION OF APPLICANT

WARNING.—Any intentional false statement in this application or willful misrepresentation relative thereto is a violation of the law punishable by a fine of not more than \$10,000 or imprisonment of not more than 5 years, or both (18 U.S.C. 1001).

I hereby certify that all statements made in this application are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

(DATE)

(SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT)

I. FOR USE OF EMPLOYING AGENCY (See FPM Supplement 831-1 for instructions.)

CHECK APPROPRIATE BOX:

- INDIVIDUAL RETIREMENT RECORD, SF 2806, AND REGISTER OF SEPARATIONS AND TRANSFERS, SF 2807, ARE ATTACHED.
- INDIVIDUAL RETIREMENT RECORD, SF 2806, WAS SENT TO U.S. CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION ON _____ (DATE) WITH REGISTER OF SEPARATIONS AND TRANSFERS, SF 2807, NO. _____

NAME OF AGENCY PERSON WHO CAN FURNISH ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT THIS APPLICATION, IF NECESSARY (Type or print)	SIGNATURE OF RESPONSIBLE AGENCY OFFICIAL	
	OFFICIAL TITLE	DATE
TELEPHONE NUMBER, INCLUDING AREA CODE	DEPARTMENT OR AGENCY	

OFFENSES BARRING ANNUITY PAYMENTS: Title 5 USC 8312 prohibits payment of annuity to persons who have committed specified offenses involving the national security of the United States. Employing agencies are responsible for submitting all pertinent information to the Civil Service Commission's Bureau of Retirement, Insurance, and Occupational Health in case when this law possibly applies.

April 3, 1972

PERSONAL

Mr. Clyde A. Tolson
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Clyde:

I am certainly pleased to advise you that your services during the period April 1, 1971, through March 31, 1972, have earned an Outstanding performance rating. Enclosed is the original of this rating which you may retain.

You have served my office in a most exceptional fashion for many years and have displayed unwavering devotion to duty and loyalty while doing so. In recognition of your superior efforts, it is my pleasure to advise you that I have approved an incentive award for you in the amount of \$500.00. The check representing this award is enclosed. Your assistance to me this past year has been most vital in discharging our responsibilities and I want you to know I am appreciative.

Sincerely,
J. Edgar Hoover

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Enclosures (2)

JHW

1 - Mrs. Randolph (Sent Direct)
JMP:blg (4) 67-9524 Award #1019-72
Based on memo Mohr-Director 3-30-72, LDH:psg.

Salutation per file.

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- Mr. Tolson _____
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- Mr. Campbell _____
- Mr. Rosen _____
- Mr. Mohr _____
- Mr. Bishop _____
- Mr. Miller, E.S. _____
- Mr. Callahan _____
- Mr. Casper _____
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- Mr. Ponder _____
- Mr. Bates _____
- Mr. Waikart _____
- Mr. Walters _____
- Mr. Soyars _____
- Tele. Room _____
- Miss Holmes _____
- Miss Gandy _____

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : The Director

DATE: March 30, 1972

FROM : J. P. Mohr

SUBJECT: CLYDE A. TOLSON
ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR
OUTSTANDING ANNUAL PERFORMANCE RATING

Mr. Felt	_____
Mr. Campbell	_____
Mr. Rosen	_____
Mr. Mohr	_____
Mr. Bishop	_____
Mr. Miller, E.S.	_____
Mr. Callahan	_____
Mr. Casper	_____
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Mr. Dalbey	_____
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Mr. Waikart	_____
Mr. Walters	_____
Mr. Soyars	_____
Tele. Room	_____
Miss Holmes	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

There is attached for your signature the annual performance rating in duplicate covering Mr. Tolson's services from April 1, 1971, to March 31, 1972, in which he is rated Outstanding.

It is necessary that your signature be affixed to the original and the copy as the Rating Official. The original will be furnished to Mr. Tolson and the copy placed in his personnel file. There is also enclosed for your approval and signature a letter to Mr. Tolson advising him of this award and of your approval of a \$500 cash award as in the past in recognition of the Outstanding annual performance rating.

RECOMMENDATION:

That you, as Rating Official, sign the original and copy of the attached Outstanding annual performance rating for Mr. Tolson and that the enclosed letter also be signed advising Mr. Tolson of your approval of a \$500 cash award.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

REPORT OF PERFORMANCE RATING

Name of Employee: CLYDE A. TOLSON

Where Assigned: EXECUTIVE OFFICE
(Division) (Section, Unit)

Official Position Title and Grade: ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR

Rating Period: from APRIL 1, 1971 to MARCH 31, 1972

ADJECTIVE RATING: OUTSTANDING Employee's Initials
Outstanding, Excellent, Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory

Rated by: J. Edgar Hoover Director 4/1/72
Signature Title Date

Reviewed by: _____
Signature Title Date

Rating Approved by: _____
Signature Title Date

TYPE OF REPORT

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**CLYDE A. TOLSON
ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR**

The superlative and highly commendable fashion in which Mr. Tolson has performed during the period from April 1, 1971, through March 31, 1972, has definitely merited this rating of Outstanding for him.

Completely and thoroughly conversant with all phases of the investigative and administrative operations of the Bureau, having gained this wealth of knowledge during the course of a distinguished career of more than forty years, Mr. Tolson is able to apply this knowledge on a daily basis while handling a vast amount of complex work by virtue of his superior intelligence and remarkable judgment. He performs his tasks quickly and with outstanding accuracy. Mr. Tolson is selflessly devoted to the FBI, and has proven time and again that he is ever willing to subordinate personal considerations in order that the Bureau's interests will be served and protected.

Mr. Tolson has over the years proven himself to be an exceptional asset to the FBI, his services are without parallel, and his value to the Bureau is truly immeasurable.

Mr. Tolson has done much to ease the tremendous burdens of my office and he has, through his proven competence, gained the respect of all who know him.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : The Director

DATE: 4/2/71

FROM : J. P. Mohr

SUBJECT: CLYDE A. TOLSON
ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR
OUTSTANDING ANNUAL PERFORMANCE RATING

- Tolson _____
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- Mohr _____
- Bishop _____
- Brennan, C.D. _____
- Callahan _____
- Casper _____
- Conrad _____
- Dalbey _____
- Felt _____
- Gale _____
- Rosen _____
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- Walters _____
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- Tele. Room _____
- Holmes _____
- Gandy _____

J.P. Mohr
Adams

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It is necessary that your signature be affixed to the original and the copy as the Rating Official. The original will be furnished to Mr. Tolson and the copy placed in his personnel file. There is also enclosed for your approval and signature a letter to Mr. Tolson advising him of this and of your approval of a \$500 cash award.

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RECOMMENDATION:

That you, as Rating Official, sign the original and copy of the attached Outstanding annual performance rating for Mr. Tolson together with a letter advising him of your approval of a \$500 award, the highest amount previously authorized for such recognition it being noted you did not approve a previous recommendation that higher awards be granted this year.

JPM

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Enclosures *sent 4-2-71*

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

REPORT OF PERFORMANCE RATING

Name of Employee: CLYDE A. TOLSON

Where Assigned: EXECUTIVE OFFICE
(Division) (Section, Unit)

Official Position Title and Grade: ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR

Rating Period: from APRIL 1, 1970 to MARCH 31, 1971

ADJECTIVE RATING: OUTSTANDING Employee's Initials
Outstanding, Excellent, Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory

Rated by: J. Edgar Hoover Director 4/1/71
Signature Title Date

Reviewed by: _____
Signature Title Date

Rating Approved by: _____
Signature Title Date

TYPE OF REPORT

- Official
 - Annual
- Administrative
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 - 90-Day
 - Transfer
 - Separation from Service
 - Special

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**CLYDE A. TOLSON
ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR**

Mr. Tolson, whose long and highly creditable career has spanned over four decades, has again fulfilled his vitally important obligations in such a truly remarkable fashion as to fully deserve this Outstanding rating for the period of April 1, 1970, through March 31, 1971.

Mr. Tolson's contributions to the progress of the FBI and his value to the organization are of such magnitude as to be almost inestimable. He has, over the years, proven his selfless loyalty and devotion to the Bureau, giving unstintingly of his time and superior talents. His every thought and act have been directed toward the advancement of the Bureau, striving unceasingly to protect and serve its best interests.

Willingly assuming a heavy mantle of responsibility, Mr. Tolson handles a particularly voluminous amount of work on a daily basis. This he does in a most admirable manner, with both dispatch and unerring accuracy. His exceptionally vast knowledge of the Bureau's operations and his superior intelligence, judgment and common sense have permitted him to ease the burdens of my position immeasurably.

He is a superb executive and administrator whose capabilities are well known, not only in the FBI but throughout the Government as well, and Mr. Tolson has earned the respect and admiration of one and all.

April 2, 1971

PERSONAL

Mr. Clyde A. Tolson
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Clyde:

I am pleased to advise that the manner in which you have discharged your heavy responsibilities for the period April 1, 1970, to March 31, 1971, has earned for you an Outstanding performance rating. There is enclosed a copy of this rating which you may retain.

It is also a pleasure to inform you of my approval of an incentive award for you in the amount of \$500.00 in recognition of your exemplary achievement and the check which represents this award will be forwarded to you at a later date. You should take pride in your superb performance which has contributed immeasurably to the successful handling of our obligations during the past year. I am appreciative.

Sincerely,

J. EDGAR HOOVER

Enclosure

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- Tolson _____
- Sullivan _____
- Mohr _____
- Bishop _____
- Brennan, C.D. _____
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1 - Mrs. Randolph (Sent Direct)
1 - Payroll Distribution (Sent Direct)
JAB:blg (5) 67-9524 Award #1462-71
Based on memo Mohr to Director 4/2/71, LDH:ndl.

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DATE 4-2-71
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Mr. Bishop

DATE: 3-11-71

FROM: Mr. A. Jones

Clyde H. Tolson

SUBJECT: REVISION OF CHART
"ORGANIZATION OF THE FBI"

Attached is a proposed revision of this chart to include the position of Legal Counsel under the Associate Director, and to place Crime Records Division under Mr. Mohr, and the Laboratory under Mr. Sullivan.

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RECOMMENDATION:

That this revision be approved and returned to the Crime Records Division for further handling.

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Enclosure

- 1 - Mr. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. Bishop
- 1 - Mr. Callahan

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