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Investigation at Liberty County, Texas, negative regarding any information concerning a non child support warrant issued at Cleveland, Texas. BOB SORRELL, former employee, Hagler Aero Service, Charles W. Baker Airport, Millington, Tennessee, interviewed and recalled that BILL WILSON flew into the airport on two occasions, perhaps in 1958 or 1969. Full scope of interview included in details.

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DETAILS:

Investigation in this case was predicated upon receipt of a communication from the Jackson Office of the FBI requesting investigation at Cleveland, Texas, for full details concerning a non child support warrant issued against BURGESS AUDIE WILSON, JR., also known as BILL.

On August 19, 1978, LARRY ALLEN, Patrolman, Cleveland Texas Police Department, reviewed the files of the Cleveland Police Department, but could locate no record identifiable with BURGESS AUDIE WILSON, JR., Date of Birth ALLEN advised that if a non child support warrant were issued in Cleveland, it was probably filed through the Cleveland City Court and warrant issued by Judge GLEN JONES, City Judge.

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The records of the City Court are not available for review until 9 A.M. on August 21, 1978, and Judge GLEN JONES is currently unavailable.

On August 21, 1978, the following persons at their respective agencies were contacted with negative results concerning the issuance of a non child support warrant or any type of civil or criminal process concerning a BURGESS AUDIE WILSON, JR.:

GLEN JONES City Judge Cleveland, Texas

LOUISE HOUGH Secretary JACK HARTELL County Attorney Liberty County Liberty, Texas

LOUISE MORRIS Clerk Liberty County District Court Liberty County, Liberty, Texas

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SORRELL became personally acquainted with BILL WILSON, through his, SORRELL's attendance at the Hollywood Baptist Church in Memphis, Tennessee, which was pastored by Brother WILSON, father of BILL WILSON. SORRELL had no other association with BILL WILSON except through contact at church. SORRELL attended that church as a youngster and continued until approximately 1958, when his family moved from the neighborhood and his attendance stopped.

He, SORRELL, had no other contact with BILL WILSON until after 1967 when SORRELL became employed at Hagler Aero Service, Charles W. Baker Airport, Millington, Tennessee, telephone number 872-2261. SORRELL was employed part-time at Hagler until October or November, 1967 when he became a full-time employee functioning as a lineman.

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SORRELL recalled that he, SORRELL, refueled this airplane, but he cannot recall the time of day that WILSON arrived at the airport. As best recalled by SORRELL, WILSON was wearing civilian clothing and paid cash for the fuel purchase. SORRELL and WILSON had little conversation other than a routine greeting. As best recalled by SORRELL, WILSON stayed overnight and left the following day, time unknown. SORRELL does not know how WILSON was transported from and to the airport.

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