

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that the motions of the respondents Roy Hamilton and Charles Edmundson, made by and through their attorneys, the Honorable Armistead Clay and the Honorable Ezra Z. Bryan, at the conclusion of the Court's opinion, to reconsider the Court's action and, in the alternative, to fix punishment, are hereby denied.

To all of which the respondents respectfully except.

W. Preston Battle

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1968, none pro Tunc

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IN THE CRIMINAL COURT OF SHELBY COUNTY, TENNESSEE

STATE OF TENNESSEE

VS.

JAMES EARL RAY
Alias Eric Starvo Galt,
Alias John Willard,
Alias Harvey Lowmeyer,
Alias Harvey Lowmyer.

NO. 16645 Murder First Degree

NO. 16819 Carrying Dangerous Weapon

O R D E R

Attendance in the Courtroom will be limited to the seating accommodations of the Courtroom except insofar as the Court shall order.

The north portion of the Courtroom behind the rails consisting of seats numbered 1 through 42 will be reserved for accredited representatives of the news media who will be admitted to the Courtroom only upon presentation of credentials issued by this Court. The south portion of the back of the Courtroom behind the rails consisting of seats numbered 43 through 11 will be available to members of the public for each session of the Court in order of their appearance except for _____ seats for family and/or friends of the defendant, and _____ seats for family and/or friends of the deceased.

Seat assignments for representatives of news media shall be as follows:

1. Associated Press Representative
2. U. P. I. Representative
3. Associated Negro Press Representative
4. National N. B. C. T.V. and Radio Representative
5. National C. B. S. T.V. and Radio Representative
6. National A. B. C. T.V. and Radio Representative
7. Commercial Appeal Representative
8. Press-Scimitar Representative
9. Tri-State Defender Representative
10. Memphis World Representative

11. Memphis W M C T.V. Representative
12. Memphis W R E C T.V. Representative
13. Memphis W H B Q T.V. Representative
14. Memphis W.M.P.S. Representative
15. Memphis W.D.I.A. Representative
16. The New York Times and News Service Representative
17. Los Angeles Times and News Service Representative
18. Chicago Daily News Wire Service Representative
19. St. Louis Post Dispatch Representative
20. The Nashville Banner Representative
21. The Nashville Tennessean Representative
22. Washington Daily News-Scripps Howard News Representative
23. Wall Street Journal (National Observer) Representative
24. The Birmingham News Representative
25. Atlanta Constitution Representative
26. This seat to be shared by following named four (4)
London newspapers on a revolving basis to be
worked out among themselves, and plan to be
approved by the Court:
 - (a) The London Daily Mirror Representative
 - (b) The Daily Telegraph and Morning Post Representativ
 - (c) The Daily Mail Representative
 - (d) The London Daily Express Representative
27. Reuters Representative
28. Deutsche Press-Agentur Representative
29. Toronto Telegram Representative
30. French News Agency Representative
31. This seat to be shared by Life-Time-Fortune magazines
on a revolving basis to be worked out among
themselves, and plan to be approved by the Court.
32. Newsweek Representative
33. Harpers Representative
34. Saturday Evening Post Representative
35. Gerold Frank, Doubleday and Company
36. George McMillan, Little Brown and Company
37. W.S.G.N., Birmingham
38. Clay D. Blair, Bantam Books
39. Revolving Seats
40. " "

41. Revolving Seats

42. " "

Enter.

W. Austin Burt
Judge Division III

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Submitted herewith for the Bureau's information are two copies of an Order issued by Judge W. PRESTON BATTLE, Memphis, Tenn., relative to seating accommodations in the courtroom in anticipation of forthcoming trial.

Also submitted are two copies of an "Order on Scire Facias," issued by Judge BATTLE.

In addition to the above Orders issued by Judge BATTLE, there are enclosed two copies each of the following:

Letter prepared by subject JAMES EARL RAY to his brother JERRY, dated October 14, 1968.

Letter dated October 9, 1968, addressed to subject by his brother, JERRY RAY, St. Louis, Mo.

Letter dated October 14, 1968 from subject to Attorney ARTHUR HANES.

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