# CAREY F. WEATHERS TRANSFER & STORAGE COMPANY

December 13, 1963

Mr. J. B. Puqua W.J.B.F. Augusta, Ga.

Dear J. B .:

In regards to our telephone conversation regarding information on my suspension at Ft. Gordon. I did not know anything about the whole thing until it came out in the papers.

I immediately called the FBI and they came up to my office on August 15, 1963. They apologized for the thing being put in the papers. They did not know who put it in there. I gave them a sworn statement and answered a good many questions they ask me. I indirectly lent a lady, Mrs. Barfell, \$625.00 in February 1963. Attached is a copy of letter to Grievance Committee, Ft. Gordon which will explain in detail. Mrs. Barfell has repaid this loan and has been reinstated at Ft. Gordon with full salary less 5 days penalty.

I also lent a soldier at Ft. Gordon in 1961 \$600.00 which I have notes signed by him at time of transaction. He has not repaid this loan but has promised on several occasions that he will do so as soon as possible.

The FBI came back at a later date with the typed sworn statement for my signature but same was not correct. They finally made statement to me that there wasn't enough for me to sign.

Mr. Morton, the District Attorney, at Augusta assured us that he would talk to us before anything was done prior to going to the Grand Jury if there was enough evidence. On November 18, 1963 he told Mr. Jack McGahee that they did not have any evidence that they could take to the Grand Jury and that he was mailing this information to Mr. Carl W. Belcher, General Crimes Section, Criminal Division, Justice Department, Washington, D. C. Case # HJM-HWA-51-20-53.

I had my representative, Mr. John T. MacBrayer in Washington to contact Mr. Belcher. He informed him that as soon as he got Mr. Morton's letter that he would send a copy to Defense Department and that everything was in the clear.

When we didn't receive release Mr. MacBrayer contacted Mr. Belcher several other times regarding this matter. Mr. Belcher at 11785 Stated he couldn't locate letter sent by Mr. Morton and Thesday, December 10, 1963 I called Mr. MacBrayer and he says he had talked to Mr. Belcher Monday and there was some small technicality that he would have to get cleared up before he could send the Defense Department.

# INREY F. WENTHERS TRANSFER & STORAGE COMPANY

Page #2 Mr. J. B. Fuqua

December 13, 1963

The Defense Department says they can not issue a release until they get a release from the Justice Department.

Ft. Gordon has tied up moneys due me since April 1963 until to date which would amount to some \$30,000.00 or more. We have been on suspension at Ft. Gordon except for permanent storage. We have continued to handle storage in and out but have not received money due prior to or since the suspension. They suspended us from long distance moving and storage in-transit but continued to give us permanent storage in and out.

I have talked with Col. Hilton at Ft. Gordon and he assures me that the minute we get released that he will stop everything to get us straightened out at once as we were not entitled to be suspended but he could not do anything about it until we were released. Col. Hilton and General Salet stated that they did not know this action had taken place until after it happened.

Anything you might be able to do to get this matter cleared will greatly be appreciated.

Thank you for taking your valuable time to help with this matter.

Yours truly,

Leroy W. Weathers

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Enclosures

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FORT GORDON GEORGIA

Mr. Leroy W. Weathers, President, Carey F. Weathers Transfer & Storage Company, Augusta, Georgia, being duly sworn, upon his oath, deposes and says:

Around February 1st or 2d, I could not say exactly, Mrs. Berfell en into our office here and she started crying and really raising came. She was all to pieces, just hysterical. Sgt. Cain was in here behind the counter and this lady just kept crying terrifically, just hysterical. Sgt. Cain can in there and put his are around her and said, "The world is not coming to an end and don't take it so hard." She said, "I can't go, I can't go." kept on crying for thirty minutes or lenger, just sobbing and crying. little later on Mrs. Taylor came in. She had been to have her hair fixed at the beauty parlor. She was out when Mrs. Barfell came in. When she came in she inquired what was wrong. She said, "What is the matter with you?" Mrs. Barfell got up and went on in the office with Mrs. Taylor. I went on to the back. A woman crying can really get you. I think it was on a Friday. I am not sure about the time, but Mrs. Taylor said it was around 12:00 or 1:00 o'clock. When she went out the door we discussed about her crying and going on so and at that time Mrs. Taylor said Mrs. Barfell had gone to the Finance Company and they had promised to let her have the money to go on a trip to see her daughter and son-in-law and kids. She said that the Household Finance Company turned her down and it was dropped at that time. Sometime Honday, Mrs. Taylor asked me if it was any way for me to let her (Mrs. Barfell) have the money to go over there. She had already made reservations and got off at Fort Gordon to make the trip and I told her I could not. Then the follow ing Tuesday, Mrs. Taylor came back and asked if I would lend her (Mrs. Taylor) the money for Mrs. Barfell and I told her, "Yes." She said she would give me a note for it for six months. The Finance Company, according to Mrs. Taylor, had promised that as soon as she had made some of the payments which she had already borrowed from the Finance Company they would let her have the money to repay it. Friday morning, the following Friday, when we went to get the payroll I drew a check for \$625.00 and that afternoon Mrs. Barfell came up here when she got off from work at Fort Gordon and gave Mrs. Taylor a note for the \$625.00 to be paid back on a monthly basis with no stipulated amount just a monthly basis. Mrs. Taylor, in turn, gave me a six months note from her to me, covering the \$625.00. Mrs. Barfell had told Mrs. Taylor that her sister in New Jersey had a dismond ring and she was going to send it down as a collateral. Krs. Barfell went to Paris and while she was over there she fell and broke her leg and came back with a cast on her leg. She had alippe on the snow and ice. That is all the information I have. I investigated Curther about the loan at the Pinance Company . Found she had made small cation and she was cold she was going to per the money walls the ELLE LA LABORA SERVICIO street down, that she did not have enough collateral for the loan so when I found that out I called the FRI and told them about it. The manager they had is gone. They have a different

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manager there now and he said if he had been there he would have let her have it but he could not criticize as each manager has a different way of doing things. He said she had always been prompt paying.

#### QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

ME: FRI: What is the nature of your acquaintance with Mrs. Sarfell?

MR WEATHERS: None whatsoever except just chatting over the phone.

MR FRY: Are you acquainted with her socially?

HR WEATHERS: No.

MR FRY: Has there been any occasion where she has appealed to you or Mrs. Taylor for a loan?

MR WEATHERS: No. I will add this. She (Mrs. Barfell) was out at the hospital one time when Mrs. Rushing was out there and I rode out there with her (Mrs. Taylor) to see Mrs. Rushing and I talked with her more that time than at any other time in the past.

MR FRY: At any time during this entire affair did Mrs. Barfell come directly to you for the loan?

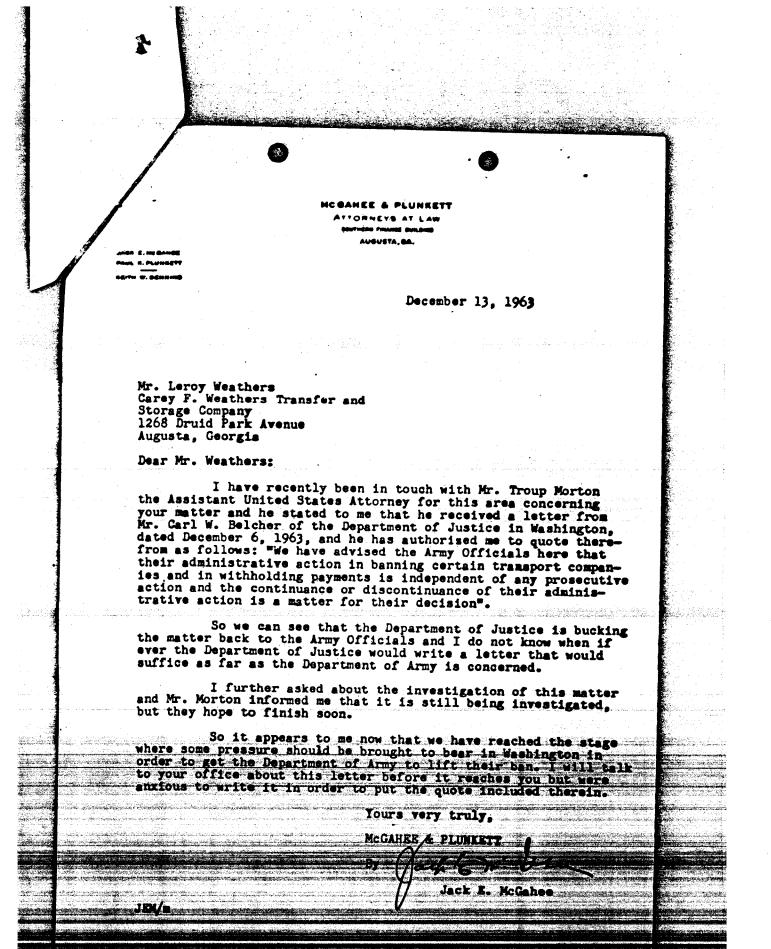
MR WEATHERS: No. The only thing she did was sit down and cry in my presence. Mrs. Taylor did more talking over the phone to Mrs. Barfell than I did.

LEROY W. WEATHERS

Sworn to and subscribed before me this day of with two 1963.

ROBERT FRY, GS-12 Grievance Examiner

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#### 2 January 1964

C. G. Gomillion, Chairman
Macon County Progressive Democratic
Committee
308 Bibb Street
Tuskegee Institute, Alabama 36088

Dear Dr. Gomillion:

Thank you for your letter of December 18 regarding McDonald Gallion. I had seen the news stories. If any such appointment is under consideration, which it is not as far as I know, I am sure that Mr. Gallion's views and performance on racial matters will be known and taken account of.

Thank you very much for writing.

Very truly yours,

Burke Marshall
Assistant Attorney General
Civil Rights Division

Air Mail

6-7-63) Civil Rights Division FROM: HAIL AND DOCKET ROOM )Assistant Attorney General )First Assistant / )Second Assistant: ... )Chief, General Litigation Sec. )Head, Const. Rts. Unit ( )Chief, Appeals & Research Sec.
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December 18, 1963

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Mr. Robert F. Kennedy, Attorney General United State Department of Justice Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is a clipping from today's Montgomery Advertiser concerning Mr. McDonald Gallion, who, according to reports, is being considered by President Johnson for a position on the Interstate Commerce Commission. This disturbs liberal Democrats and Regro citizens in Alabama. Please note the rarked passage: "Gallion is a steadfast segregationist who has often opposed integration attempts. He is, for example, attorney for the private school in Tuskegee.

The private school is the Macon Academy which was organized to accommodate the white high school students who withdrew from the Tuskegee High School when Judge Frank M. Johnson ordered it desegregated.

Note, also, the clause "Gallion attacked the President (Kennedy) in severe if not raw terms."

The proposed appointment should not be made. Please use whatever influence you have to prevent this appointment.

Sincerely,

C. G. Gomillion

C. G. Gomillion Chairman

cc: Mr. Burke Marshall Mr. John Doer

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THAT ATTY, GEN. MacDonald Galion should be under consideration by President Johnson for appointment to the Interstate Commerce Commission is not much short of a spectacular event.

I is also a happy event in that President Johnson is eager to reward Gallion for the support he provided at the 1960 Democratic Convention in Los Angees. Further, it is good to see Gallion's record of public service recognized in the national sphere.

Gallion has a good name in Alabama and one that is widely known through the three statewide races he has made and for his prominent part in the investigation and procesuction following: the assassination of Albert Patterson.

His name is such that he is considered a figure of importance in the 1966 race for governor.

Gallion's views are generally those of the majority of Alabamians.

Viewing the appointment in terms of Alabama, Johnson has had an inspiration. Many would be induced to feel that Johnson meant to be friendly to Alahams

But what is not clear is how the President expects to soothe those in the northern wing of the party who would be dismayed if not inflamed by the appointment of Gallion.

Gallion is a steadfast segregationist who has often opposed integration attempts. He is, for example, attorney for the private school in Tuskesee.

Moreover, in a speech at Dothan not too long before the assassination of President Kennedy, Gallion attacked the President in severe if not raw terms.

All of this example go unnoticed and seems mathematically predicatable

Apart from that, it is good to see Johnson remembering his debt to Gallion. That debt is large.

In 1960 Gov. John Patterson invoked all his influence, energy and elaborate patronage powers to align the Alabama delegation to Los Angeles for Kennedy.

Gallion, largely with his bare hands, became chief of the Johnson drive for delegates in Alabama and got the majority. Of Alabama's 29 votes at the convention, Johnson got 20; Kennedy 31/2 (the remainder were divided among other candidates).

In the course of this, Gallion got to be well known to Johnson.

Gallion made it plain yesterday that it was by no means definite that he was going to Washington. But if he did it would be a big chapter in a notable political career.

The post is important, the term is for seven years and Congress is expected to raise the salary from \$20,000 to \$30,000. Yet acceptance would presumably foreclose forever any chance that Gallion might be elected governor or enter Congress.





Mr. Povert F. Kennedy, Attorney General United States Department of Justice Washington 25, D. C. 27 December 1963

#### HENORANDUM FOR THE DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL

From Burke Marshall

Res Middle District of North Carolina

I have the following further information about Eugene Gordon. This is from McNeill Smith, who is an excellent white lawyer in Greensboro, and formerly chairman of the North Carolina Advisory Committee to the Civil Rights Commission.

Mr. Smith's first comment was that Mr. Gordon would be pretty conservative on civil rights but may not be impossible. He said that he would check further, and did so.

Mr. Smith talked with a white liberal lawyer from Alamance County, which is where Goldon lives, who is a friend and supporter of Gordon. This lawyer said that Gordon was conservative on the racial question but that he had "mellowed" since the vacancy on the court occurred. Gordon changed his position on the question of permitting Negroes to become members of the local bar association. This man reported to Smith that Gordon did support Baverly Lake in 1960, but that he believed this support was due to personal animosity toward Terry Sanford rather than an agreement with Lake's racial extremism. He further said that Gordon was a good man, not mean, that he would have a "judicious attitude", that he would not want to be reversed, and that he had always gotten along all right with the Negroes in the local Democratic Party organization. In summary, this

lawyer told Smith that he could not give Gordon a clean bill of health on the civil rights question, but that he thought he would be all right, and that he was not an out-and-out segregationist, but only conservative.

Smith also talked with a Negro lawyer in the county who said that he did not believe that Gordon was a segregationist.

Finally, Smith talked with a Negro political leader in the county who said that he believed that Gordon was all right and that he also did not believe that Gordon was a segregationist.

30 December 1963

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL

From Burke Marshall

Re: Middle District of North Carolina

I have the following information from Bill Staton, a lawyer in Sanford, North Carolina, who is also a member of the National Committee and a close supporter of Terry Sanford and Judge Preyer. He is politically allied with Bert Bennett and Henry Wilson.

Mr. Staton has known Gordon for a long time. They were in the Army together and they were in fact wounded in the same battle.

He says Gordon is a very capable man and is straightforward, honest and intelligent. He is a chief supporter and close ally of Senator Jordan. He is very conservative in all matters. He has been aligned politically against Governor Sanford since at least 1948.

Mr. Staton says that he has no doubt that Gordon supported Beverly Lake in the second primary in 1960. That primary was concerned almost solely with the race issue, with Lake taking an outright segregationist, racist position, in contrast to Governor Sanford.

Mr. Staton believes that, although it is not clear, Lake will run for Governor again in 1964, and will make the second primary which will take place around June 20. He believes that it would be helpful from that point of view if no appointment is made until after that date.

Nevertheless, Mr. Staton said that he thought Gordon would make a good judge, that he has a good judicial temperment, and that he would be fair on matters involving racial questions.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE HONORABLE RALPH DUNGAN THE WHITE HOUSE

From Burke Marshall

Attached is a news story from The Tuscaloosa News in Alabama reporting a rumor, presumably originating from Gallion, that McDonald Gallion was under consideration for appointment to the ICC.

Gallion was Attorney General for the State of Alabama at the time of the Freedom Rides. He was present at the Montgomery Bus Station, observed a good bit of the riot, served papers on one of the Freedom Riders while he was virtually unconscious from a beating, and in every way obstructed rather than assisted in the maintenance of law and order.

Gallion is reputed to have a good many Klan connections.

If he is ever under consideration for any sort of an appointment, among the people who should be given an opportunity to express their views are Mr. Justice White, who represented the President at the time of the Freedom Ride episode in May 1961, and Louis Oberdorfer, who accompanied Justice White at the time. Y1102WEA COMESUTE LEBRIA

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### DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES

The United States District Court has ordered the School Board of the Parish of East Baton Rouge to resent a plan for the orderly desegregation of public schools.

Our School Board has indicated that it will obey this order and will present a plan to the Court. However difficult this task may be, we believe that the School Board will be acting wisely, and in the best interest of the education and safety of our children, by presenting such a plan.

If the School Board should fail to present a plan, as ordered by the Court, this would not prevent desegregation of the schools. In that event, the Federal Judge would have no choice (under established law)

Our School Board was elected to direct public education and preserve our public school system. We believe that an acceptable plan, prepared by our own well-informed School Board, would be less disturbing to our

We support the School Board of this Parish for its dedicated and courageous service in this difficult situation.

Baton Rouge is now faced with the same situation that has recently confronted other Southern cities. Baton mouge is now faced with the same situation that has recently controlled other Southern cities. This Parish must now choose whether or not it will follow the path of law and order. What is done here now will determine the welfare, and the economy, of the entire Baton Rouge area for years to come.

We believe that the course to be followed, by our people and by our public officials, should be governed by the following principles:

1. Public Education Must Be Preserved.

Our children are entitled to a schooling uninterrupted by violence and danger.

Law and Order Must Be Maintained.

This requires compliance with the final decisions of our Courts. Any other course would result

The Right of Parents to Send Their Children to Private Schools Should Be Recognized.

However, we believe that a private school system cannot become an adequate substitute for

We join together in public support of these principles.

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BY NUL MAXWELL

THE WALL STREET JOYESAL EIRMINGHAM - The already bad climate for attracting new industry and executive alent to this city appears to have worsened markedly following Sunday's bombing which Lid four Negro youngsters.

First evidence of the blast's damage to Permingham's economic hopes came within 24 "We had a hot prospect from St. Louis for a plant and figured we'd have the deal wrapped up in a week or two," says an official of a firm trying to lure new business here. But he called me Monday morning and said he deal was off. I couldn't even talk to him; he just didn't want any partiof Alabama."

The harmful impact of rabial strife on eco-mic growth has been for here since last ay, when fire hores and police dogs were ed against Negro civil rights demonstrators. Sunday's tragedy has greatly disheartened some business leaders who have been trying to remedy the situation.

We haven't had a commitment for a new industry all summer, but we had hopes that hings were going to improve," says Glenn E. Taylor, a Birmingham Chamber of Commerce official in charge of attracting industry. "I was planning to take a trip next week to contact some prospects. But what's the use now?"

Anniston (Alabama) " will ... unless we can get more protection from our constituted officers of the law in our cities and counties, we might as well close up our Chambers of Commerce and similar institutions; for no thoughtful person wants to come to a place where both human and property rights are held in such low repute.

This is a bad time to try to advertise our res," says Caldwell Marks, chairman of a committee of 160 businessmen set up to bring new business here. "We're going to have to prove what kind of a city we have first.

We thought we were beginning to see a little interest by some prospects, until the school situation and the bombing came along." Mr. Marks aids. 'This is going to have a bad effect-kow bad depends on whether we can eatch and punish the ones responsible for blowing up that church. Right now Birmingham looks like a lawless city to some outsiders.

Many local businessmen blame the combination of stunted industrial growth and continued racial unrest for recent sharp drops in department store sales. Such sales were off 20% in the Labor Day holiday week ended Sept. 7 from the like week a year earlier and off 14" for the four weeks ended then, according to Federal Reserve statistics.

"When people are concerned about their community, and their minds are taken up with the problem of that community, there is a change in toying habits," says one merchant.
"This sing is affecting every phase of our business accept and civile life." business, social and civic life.

#### Hindering Recruiting

. Business and professional men complain that Birmingham's racial problems also have been hindering their efforts to recruit person nel. "I've had an executive position open for three months," says a bank president "Y three months," says a bank president. "I thought I had it filled once, but then I got a note from the man I was negotiating with. All he said was: 'I don't want to live in Birmingham Alabama."

A doctor who is a partner in a clinic says: "We've got a doctor lined up to come down here from the Dakotas next July. I've been thinking all afternoon about calling him to assure him that we're still practicing medicine down here and not to be scared off by what he reads in the papers."

"The racial situation has kept some people from joining our faculty, even though we offered them a greater opportunity than anyone clse," says Dr. Richard H.II. Gran of the University of Alabama Medical Center here. "One doctor had already decided this was the best place for him. But after he taked it over with his family he decided against st."

Birmingham has been spared any major violence since Sunday. But sporadic incidents, such as stoning of autos, have generated continued fear and tension. "People are simply afraid to go out at might," says Pete Kakoliris. vice president and general manager of the Colony Motor Hotel, which operates two restaurants, "My food business has gone to nothing in the past three days - it's off 40% to 50%."

The manager of one of the city's largest and oldest downtown theaters complains: "Business is worse this week than it has ever been since the theater openid." A major depart-ment store reports: "Our business Monday and Tuesday was off 20% to 25%."

But many business leaders are hopeful that the city's current state of shock will be fol-lowed by a long period of calm. The president of one company says: "We're going to be all right if we can just get Martin Luther King. Gov. Wallace and President Kennedy out of

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the Economic Consequences of School Closings and Violence

Alabama businessmen are convinced the State's

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By JACK LANGGUTH

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SIORNING ADVOCATE, Baton Rouge,

# TV Program Praises BR's

# Peaceful Mixing

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evening praised the community's
race relations program and peace
ful desegregation of four white
high schools in the city.

The half-hour long HuntleyBrinkley report devoted about
seven minutes to Bation Rouge's
racial relations program.

Chet Huntley, one of the commentators and producers of the

mentators and producers of the show, introduced the report on the capital city by remarking: What has been happening in has happened in Baton Rouge.

Spettichted in the program sees Several leader of the newly formed biracial committee, James L. Winfree, chairman; Leon Net-terville, vice chairman; Rev. T. J. Jemison, Negro minister and member; and Raymond Scott. another members of a con-

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# Baton Rouge Faces New Test 30% As Schools Integrate Tuesday

Both Negroes and Whites Are Uneasy on Desegregation of 12th-Grade Classes

By JACK LANGGUTH Exercis to The New York Times BATON ROUGE, La., Aug.

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Local demonstrations... "narches" in a number of cities and to-ms-Several flashbacks of President Kennedy at his news conference last week were tied in with the show. The President had businessmen into supporting civil rights laws with sharp teeth in themost descriptation moves. Kencalled it an impressive story all Negro workers hitting the bricks as a protest against the inaction.

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Students "are conduction solves like ladies and centering them, solves like ladies and centering, said Principal Pat C. Lacert of Glen Oaks.

"Everything is love" bere said Principal C. G. McGence of Lee.

Principal Dennis Burge of Baton Rouge High said, 'We have
no problems'
Lloyd Lindsey, parish school
superintendent, said everything
was fine and officials were grate-

One of the original 23 Negroes One of the original 23 Negroes who started Tuesday was disqual lifed as not being a senior, but another enrolled during the day. Lindsey said there had been a mixup in the records.

Most Negro students arrived again Wednesday in taxicalos, one or two in family automobiles. School officials said attendance continued near normal at the senools.

schools.

All the Negro students who transferred to white high schools were seniors, since a federal court approved a reverse staircase plan for desegregation. One grade downward each year will be desegregated.

Police Chief Wingate White stands the number of policement assigned to the incree schools.

assigned to the inree schools within the city limits was reduced. Two sheriff's deputies remained on duty at Glen Oaks, lo

mained on duty at Glen Oaks, lo-cated in a suburban area.
There was no evidence of any FBI agents at the schools.
McGehee said he and principals of the other three integrated high schools have agreed to take a "wait and see" attitude before making any decision on possible curtailment of social activities at the schools.

the schools the sent suffer he would play it by ear with reserved to social activities.

Taid 10 disciplinary action was taken against Mrs. Ethel Palconer, a Glen Oaks school bus driver, who staged a minor protest of her own at the school Thesday.

DEFARTMENT OF JUSTICE.

HOMORABLE MACON L, WEAVER UNITED STATES ATTORNEY 354 FEDERAL BUILDING BIRMINGHAM 3, ALABANA

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL

Prom Burke Marshall

Re: Eugene Gordon -- Middle District of Worth
Carolina

A preliminary check indicates that there may be a serious question about this appointment from the point of view of Mr. Gordon's views on racial matters and the equal protection laws.

I have made initial inquiries through John Wheeler, a Negro banker in Durham, who is a man of great integrity and tolerance. He is presently a member of the President's Committee on Equal Employment Opportunity.

Mr. Wheeler discussed Mr. Gordon with a number of Negroes in North Carolina, who in turn checked with both Negro and white citizens in whom they had confidence. Mr. Wheeler himself talked to about a dozen persons, including three lawyers.

Mr. Gordon was reported to be a competent lawyer. Mr. Wheeler got only negative reactions, however, on Gordon's attitude on civil rights. Mr. Gordon is reported to have supported Beverly Lake, a militant segregationist, in the gubernatorial race against Terry Sanford in 1960. Mr. Wheeler is informed that Gordon is still strongly allied with Lake, and is politically

aligned with extremely conservative segregationists. There is accordingly, Mr. Wheeler states, deep concern about the possible appointment in the liberal groups of North Carolina.

I am continuing to get the facts on this matter.

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BURKE MARSHALL, CIVIL RIGHTS DIVISION JUSTICE DEPT

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JULIUS W HOBSON SOUTHEAST REGIONAL DIRECTOR CONGRESS OF RACIAL



# Office of the Solicitor Seneral Mashington, D. C.

December 18, 1963

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NOTE FOR:

Messrs. Marshall, Spritzer, Greene and Claiborne

Attached is a summary of my present tentative analysis of the "sit-in" cases.

It might be helpful to read it before our meeting at 11 a.m., Wednesday (this morning).

Archibald Cox

Attachment

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#### Introduction and Summary of Argument

The fundamental issue in these cases is, under what circumstances and to what extent does the Fourteenth Amendment bar State enforcement of racial segregation in privately owned and operated places of public accommodation or entertainment. Millions of Negroes are subjected to racial discrimination in private businesses open to the general public. The "sit-in" demonstrations leading to these convictions were part of a widespread peaceful protest against the practice. Petitioners claim that the involvement of the States in their arrest, prosecution and conviction is enough to violate the Equal Protection Clause. Respondents, on the other hand, invoke the freedom and responsibility of individuals to make their own decisions concerning the use of private property and the choice of associates. In a civilized community, they say, where legal remedies have supplanted private force, private choice necessarily depends upon the support of sovereign sanctions, and consequently, when the State does no more than protect the owner against all unwanted and unprivileged intrusions, there is no denial of equal protection of the law. In the <u>Civil Rights Cases</u>, 109 U.S. 3, 11, the Court drew a fundamental distinction between a State's denial of equal protection of the law and a private enterprise's discriminatory conduct, however odious:

It is State action of a particular character that is prohibited. Individual invasion of individual rights is not the subject-matter of the Amendment.

We fully accept the fundamental distinction. The key to the resolution of the present conflict lies, we believe, in a full appreciation of the nature and sources, in many States, of the practice of subjecting Negroes to the stigma of segregation in places of public accommodation and entertainment. For when the true nature and sources of the practice are understood, it becomes apparent that the convictions at bar should be reversed upon grounds fully consistent with the distinction supported only by color-blind State remedies between private discrimination and State denial of equal protection of the laws.

For some purposes, an isolated refusal to permit a Negro to sit at a lunch counter open to white members of the public can be fairly described in legal concepts as a private businessman's exercise of the right to choose him

customers, or as a property-owner's exercise of the rights to choose whom he will permit on his premises or in specified areas. In these terms the practice of racial segregation in places of public accommodation seems to be no more than a series of private choices concerning the use of private property and the conduct of private business, all running in the same direction but nonetheless non-governmental. For the purposes of the Fourteenth Amendment, however, such a description is as inaccurate as it is incomplete when applied to widespread customary segregation in virtually all places of public accommodation and entertainment in States which adopted and enforced ppolicies of segregation in order to . maintain the inferior status of the former slaves.

In the first place, segregation is enforced in places of public accommodation and entertainment as a stigma of inferiority—a badge of a subjection—the cruel function of which is to brand Negroes a caste not entitled to social or political equality with other people. The bare legal concepts are no more adequate to describe the truth of segregation in this context than chemical formulas to describe a man. Hitler's pogroms were more than assault, battery and

the malicious destruction of property. Auschwitz was not merely homicide.

Here, we are dealing with the most casual and evanescent of all business relationships. Places of public accommodation serve any orderly person, always and automatically, up to their capacity, except those branded as members of an inferior race. There is none of the continuity or selectivity that enters into employment; and none of the personal contact or need for mutual trust, confidence and compatibility that characterizes the doctor-patient and lawyer-client relationships. The virtual irrelevance of the legal concepts of private property and choice of customers is vividly demonstrated by the practice of many department stores. They solicit the patronage of Negroes, invite them onto the property and into the store, make sales in all departments but then deny them the privilege of breaking bread with other men. Manifestly, it is the stigma -- the brand of inferiority that is important, not the use of the premises or choice of customers.

Second, the practice of segregation as a mark of inferiority was fostered and promoted by State action in the narrowest sense of the term. State statutes and municipal

ordinances, on a wide scale, required segregation in places of public accommodation, upon common carriers, and in places of public entertainment. State laws provided for segregation in related areas such as schools, court houses and public institutions. State policy has long expressed, in countless other ways, the notion that Negroes should be treated as an inferior caste. In every real sense, the custom of segregation is a product of State action.

These two critical elements, especially the second, distinguish the Civil Rights Cases from the cases at bar.

The objection will be raised that the laws commanding segregation have been repealed, that the laws in related areas are falling into dissuetude, and that today discrimination or segregation in places of public accommodation is the result of the proprietor's private decision uncoerced by State action. The fact that many proprietors share the same prejudice, it will be said, cannot destory their individual right to choose; and State violations of the Fourteenth Amendment sometime in the past cannot deprive the individual proprietors of their private right once the unconstitutional State action has ceased. The repeal of

the unconstitutional law, the argument concludes, takes the

The operation of the Fourteenth Amendment is not shut off so easily. The Amendment was concerned not merely with what a State did, but with the effect of the State's action upon the opportunities for the former slaves to become equal with other men. It was concerned with conditions-with denials of equal civil rights as a consequence of State action. The right to equal treatment in places of public accommodation is one of the fundamental rights the Amendment was intended to secure against all forms of denial as a consequence of State action. The consequence does not end when the State action ceases. We do not suggest that the victim of the discrimination has a right to service that he can enforce against the proprietor of the private establishment. Our case is pitched upon the much narrower proposition that so long as the custom of practicing discrimination against Negroes in places of public accommodation survives as a proximate consequence of earlier discriminatory State laws, Congress has power to enact legislation appropriate to remedy the violation and the State may not, without a further violation, slend the aid of its police or courts to support the discrimination.

In such cases the State is involved both in creating the

discriminatory practice and in supporting it by the criminal prosecution. It cannot say that the State's only involvement has been color-blind.

. Whether an individual's discrimination against Negroes is to be regarded as a proximate consequence of the State's earlier violations of the Fourteenth Amendment presents a question of degree that can be resolved only by consideration of all the relevant circumstances. That the immediate decision to discriminate is private is inconclusive; the Amendment is violated if the State in any of its manifestations is sufficiently involved. Thus, a State may not enforce, by injunction or damages, a restrictive covenant against the sale of a parcel of real estate to non-Caucasians even though the covenant was the product of voluntary negotiations. Shelley v. Kramer, 334 U.S. 1; Barrows v. Jackson, 346 U.S. 249. Nor may a municipal corporation serve as trustee under a charitable trust the terms of which, as executed by the private settlor, call for discrimination against Negro children. In Burton v. Wilmington Parking Authority, 365 U.S. 715, the Court held that the Equal Protection Clause was violated when a restaurant, privately owned and operated, refused to serve Negroes in the space it

rented in a municipally owned and operated parking facility.

In Lombard v. Louisiana, 373 U.S. 267, even though the law

left restaurant owners freedom to choose, it was enough that

the Mayor and Chief of Police issued statements condemning

demonstrations against the practice of racial segregation.

The central fact here is that the States commanded segregation for many years on a wide front. Between State policy and the prejudices and customs of the dominant portions of the community there was a symbiotic relation. The prejudices and customs gave rise to State action. Legislation and executive action confirmed and strengthened the prejudices, and also prevented individual variations from the solid front. State responsibility under such conditions is too clear for argument even though segregation might be the proprietor's choice in the absence of legislation. Peterson v. Greenville, 373 U.S. 244.

State responsibility should not end with the bare repeal of laws commanding segregation in places of public accommodation. Having shared in the creation of a practice depriving Regroes of the kind of equality the Fourteenth Amendment was intended to secure, the State cannot turn its

back and deny involvement through the momentum its action
has generated. The law is filled with instances of liability
for the consequences of negligent or wrongful acts. Until the
connection between the wrong and the consequences becomes
too attenuated. [Citations.] For can the State claim to be
like an innocent bystander. Even one who without fault puts
another in danger of injury has a duty to act to prevent the
danger from eventuating or to minimize the damage if harm
occurs. [Citations.] One who makes an innocent misrepresentation must communicate the truth to the recipient as soon
as he learns that the representation was false. [Citations.]
Similarly, until time and events have attenuated the connection,
the State continues to bear responsibility for the conditions
it has shared in creating that result in branding Negroes
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In deciding whether the connection is too attenues.

It is relevant There can be little doubt even today that the practice of maintaining racial segregation as a stigma of imposed inferiority is, in many States, a consequence of the State's antecedent action.

We recognize that treating the practice as a consequence

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State responsibility will, to a corresponding extent, lessen the opportunities and/or protection for private choice. Judgments concerning "legal cause" and the resulting legal responsibility inevitably involve considerations of policy. Here it is relevant to consider that we are dealing with businesses essentially similar to the public callings traditionally subject to the duty to serve all members of the public without discrimination. Whether to impose the duty is a matter for State law, and we do not mean to suggest that wherever a State has power to regulate a business so as to eliminate racial discrimination, its failure to exercise the power violates the Fourteenth Amendment. Our point is the much narrower submission that in deciding whether to hold that discrimination is the product of earlier State action, which would to some extent curtail individual freedom, it is relevant to consider that these are all businesses already subject to detailed regulation in the public interest. "The more an owner, for his advantage, opens up his property for use by the public in general, the more do his rights become circumscribed by the statutory and constitutional rights of those who use it. " Marsh v. Alabama, 326 U.S. 501, 506. It is also relevant, we submit, that the only private right invair invoked in behalf of these businesses that have voluntarily dedicated their property to public use is the right to impose a stigma of inferiority. As pointed out above, the relationship between restaurant and patron involves neither the continuity nor the mutual trust, confidence and compatibility of professional relationships. The operator makes none of the judgments concerning reliability, competence and personal acceptability formed by an employer in selecting employees. And surely it cannot be seriously argued that the operator has any desire to close his property to the use of Negroes except as a means of branding them an inferior people.

There can be little doubt of the power of Congress to legislate under the Fourteenth Amendment with respect to widespread racial discrimination in places of public accommodation. The Amendment was intended to grant power to enact broad civil rights legislation in situations in which the States had denied the freedom of equal protection of the laws. Congress is not limited under Section 5 to inhibiting the State's violations. It has the power to secure the right to civil equality by dealing with the consequences of the violation. Section 5 of Ameddment XIV(a).

like the "necessary and proper" clause in Article I, must carries authority to enact any measure suited to remedy unconstitutional State action even though it may have wider ramifications. The controlling principle was stated by Chief Justice Marshall in McCulloch v. Maryland, 4 Wheat. 421s "The sound construction of the Constitution must allow the national legislature that discretion, with respect to which the means by which the powers it confers are to be carried into execution, which will enable that body to perform the high duties assigned to it in the manner most beneficial to the people. Let the end be legitimate, let it be within the scope of the Constitution, and all means which are appropriate, which are plainly adapted to that end, which are not prohibited, but consist with the letter and spirit of the Constitution, are constitutional."

While the choice of an affirmative remedy may rest with Congress, a State which has fostered the practice of racial segregation in places of public accommodation as a stigma of racial inferiority, and which thus has created a condition in which Regroes are denied the equality with other members of the public that the Fourteenth Amendment was intended to

Amendment, lend the aid of its law enforcement agencies and courts to the preservation of that unlawful condition. Whether the Megroes would have a direct action against such an establishment to secure the services of food or admission to entertainment need not be decided; possibly there would be no affirmative relief in the absence of congressional legislation. Our contention is simply that aftate that has created this unworthy custom by earlier laws may not constitutionally take steps to preserve it when invoked by public establishments without the compulsion of earlier laws. By the same token, a state would violate the Fourteenth Amendment if the gave the owners of such establishments a privilege of self-help in ejecting the members of the public against whom they desired to impose the unlawful stigma.

Mr. David C. Achesos United States Attorney Washington, D. C.

December 17, 1963

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John W. Douglas Assistant Attorney General Civil Division

Dave, I just wanted to make sure that in defending Senator Eastland and Er. Sourwine we don't attempt to defend the actions of the Louisiana police. As I understand it, Joe Hannon would be getting affidavits from the Louisiana police officials which would support our contention that neither Eastland nor Sourwine had participated in or knew anything about the arrest and seizure by the Louisiana authorities. It seems to me that the affidavits should be confined to this point and should not get into the reasons or justification for the Louisiana police action.

I'm sure that both you and Joe have the foregoing in mind, but I thought that you wouldn't mind if I remind you again of my concern.

bcc: Mr. Nicholas deB. Katzenbach Mr. Burke Marshall

December 17, 1963

Mr. Harold W. Pfautz Professor of Sociology Brown University Providence 12, Khode Island

Dear Professor Pfautz:

If you wish to make arrangements to come down here, I think I would be able to make at least a good deal of our underlying data available. I do not know whether they would be sufficient to support a research project, but the events of 1963 in street and student demonstrations are certainly of historical interest. I would be glad to discuss the matter with you.

Very truly yours.

BURKE MARSHALL
Assistant Attorney General
Civil Rights Division

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December 9, 1963

Hr. Burke Harshall Assistant Attorney General Civil Rights Division Washington, D. C.

Dear Hr. Marshall:

Thank you for your letter of December 7. I appreciate very much your taking time to provide me with the data which you included in your letter.

Ly primary interest in writing was to inquire as to whether it would be possible for me to obtain access to your data (i.e., your clippings and your reports). This, of course, would involve my coming to Washington. If I can obtain access to the data, however, I plan to write up a research proposal and obtain the necessary funds for travel and analysis from some Foundation.

Thanks again for your interest. Needless to say, I would appreciate very much having an answer at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely yours

Harold W. Pfautz Professor of Sociology

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