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September 13, 1933.

Mr. John A. Dowd,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
900 Kara Thompson Building,
Salt Lake City, Utah.

Dear Mr. Dowd:-

In response to your letter of September 6th,
please be advised that the Division has no objection to your
furnishing [REDACTED] of "The Daily Oklahoman" with a
copy of your photograph.

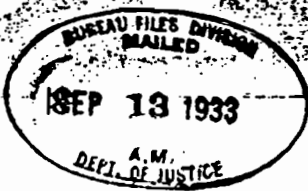
Sincerely yours,

Director.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

September 6, 1933.

VWH:

Mr. Nathan	✓
Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. Clegg	✓
Mr. Edwards	✓
Mr. Egan	✓
Mr. Foxworth	✓
Mr. Glavin	✓
Mr. Ladd	✓
Mr. Nichols	✓
Mr. Rosen	✓
Mr. Tracy	✓
Mr. Carson	✓
Mr. Coffey	✓
Mr. Hendon	✓
Mr. Jones	✓
Mr. Quinn	✓
Mr. Nease	✓
Mr. Gurnea	✓
Mr. Harbo	✓
Mr. Mohr	✓
Mr. Pennington	✓
Mr. Starnes	✓
Mr. Sullivan	✓
Mr. Tamm	✓
Mr. Winterrowd	✓

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

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Mr. Nathan called from Oklahoma City and stated that he had gone over the arrangements to guard Bailey, Bates and the Shannons, and that he felt that such arrangements were as complete as could be expected under the circumstances. He stated that the jail in which these prisoners are held is a two-story affair with only one cell block on the second floor in a sort of a semi-circular arrangement; that Bailey and Bates are in adjoining cells; that in front of these cells one Agent is stationed twenty-four hours of the day with a push button nearby to call for help in the event that help is needed at any time; that from his position he is able to observe all of the movements of Bailey and Bates at all times; that the two Shannons, father and son, are across the cell block and are together in one cell and they likewise can be observed; that Bailey and Bates are handcuffed at all times and there is a steel bar between the hands preventing a meeting of the hands at any time; that in addition both Bates and Bailey have leg shackles and are chained to the floor. Downstairs on the first floor there is stationed in a room facing the street and the entrance to the jail, a sort of an off-wing, in fact a cubby-hole, one Special Agent and a Deputy Sheriff armed with machine guns. This likewise is a twenty-four hour detail. In addition the regular Deputy Sheriff is on duty at the jail at all hours of the day and night. Mr. Nathan stated that outside of the jail and across the street are mounted two machine guns at strategic points covering the entrance to the jail. A third machine gun is in process of being mounted at the present time. Likewise there have been installed three flood lights which are placed so that they can flood the entire premises of the jail at any time. Arrangements have been made so that the jail will not be open at night to anyone - it will be closed and no one admitted. If anyone comes to the door the jailor will answer from the second floor window. Mrs. Shanna is downstairs in the women's ward. Bates, Bailey and the Shannons are searched daily.

Mr. Nathan states that he feels that the present arrangements are about as adequate as could possibly be made; that, of course, the jail is not equal to that in Dallas; in fact it is rather antiquated affair, but apparently with the precautions taken there should be no further difficulties or at least they will be prepared for any difficulties that may arise.

Respectfully,

V. W. Hughes.

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JEM [REDACTED]

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. KEENE,
Special Assistant to the Attorney General

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There is transmitted herewith for your information a copy of a memorandum which I have just prepared for the Attorney General outlining the exact arrangement and conditions existing in the Oklahoma City Jail in which Harvey Bailey, Robert G. Shannon, Armon Crawford Shannon, Mrs. Ora L. Shannon and Albert L. Bates, the kidnapers of Charles F. Urschel, are at present being held for the Federal authorities.

Very truly yours,

Director.

Enclosure.

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September 7, 1933.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. WILLIAM STANLEY,
The Assistant to the Attorney General

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There is transmitted herewith for your information a copy of a memorandum which I have just prepared for the Attorney General outlining the exact arrangement and conditions existing in the Oklahoma City Jail in which Harvey Bailey, Robert G. Shannon, Armon Crawford Shannon, Mrs. Ora L. Shannon and Albert L. Bates, the kidnapers of Charles F. Urschel, are at present being held for the Federal authorities.

Very truly yours,

Director.

Enclosure.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL.

As of possible interest to you, I wanted to advise you of the exact arrangement and conditions existing in the Oklahoma City Jail in which the kidnapers of Urschel are at present being held for the Federal authorities.

The jail is a two-story building with one cell block on the second floor in a sort of semi-circular arrangement. Harvey Bailey and Albert L. Bates are in adjoining cells. In front of these cells one Agent is stationed twenty-four hours of the day, with a push-button nearby to call for help in the event that help is needed at any time. From the Agent's position he is able to observe all the movements of Bailey and Bates at all times. The two Shannons, father and son, are across the cell block and are together in one cell, and they, likewise, can be observed. Bailey and Bates are handcuffed at all times and there is a steel bar between the hands preventing a meeting of the hands at any time. In addition to this, both Bailey and Bates have leg shackles and are chained to the floor. Downstairs on the first floor of the jail there is stationed in a room facing the street and the entrance to the jail one Special Agent and a deputy sheriff armed with machine guns. This, likewise, is a twenty-four-hour detail. In addition, the regular deputy sheriff is on duty at the jail at all hours of the day and night. Outside of the jail and across the street are mounted two machine guns at strategic points covering the entrance to the jail. There have also been installed three flood lights placed so they can flood the entire premises of the jail at any time. Arrangements have been made so that the jail will not be open at night to anyone. Should anyone come to the door of the jail the jailer answers the call from the second floor window. Mrs. Shannon, the wife of the elder Shannon, is kept in the women's ward on the first floor of the jail. Bates, Bailey and the Shannons are searched daily.

It is believed that the above arrangements are all that can possibly be made at the present time. The jail is not equal to that in which Bailey was held in Dallas, Texas, as it is a rather antiquated affair, but apparently with the precautions we have taken there should be no further difficulties, or at least, if any difficulties arise we are thoroughly prepared to meet them.

Respectfully,

Director.

UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA.**

FILE NO. **7-10**

REPORT MADE AT: Detroit, Mich.	DATE WHEN MADE: 9-7-33	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 8-30-33	REPORT MADE BY: [REDACTED] b7C
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TITLE: GEORGE R. KELLY with aliases-I.O.#1203 - FUG. ALBERT J. BRATES with aliases - FUGITIVE KATHLEEN THORNTON KELLY with aliases-I.O.#1207 - FUG. ET AL - CHARLES E. BRONSON - Victim	CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING
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SYNOPSIS/FACTS: Edward Bentz is wanted by Michigan State Police for questioning in connection with bank robberies including a recent robbery at Grand Haven, Mich.

REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent [REDACTED] San Francisco, Calif., dated 8-21-33.

DETAILS: AT EAST LANSING, MICHIGAN.

This agent called at the offices of the Michigan State Police, and in the absence of [REDACTED] of the Detective Department, interviewed [REDACTED] states that [REDACTED] received information several months ago that Edward Bentz was under arrest at Vancouver, B.C., at which place he was cashing travelers' checks which had been stolen during a bank robbery at Brooklyn, Mich., on June 8, 1933. Information was later received that bentz had been released and possibly had become a fugitive. Nothing at present is known as to his whereabouts. Several other bank robberies have occurred in Michigan and from the best information obtainable by the Detectives of the Michigan State Police, Edward Bentz has been mixed up in one or more of these robberies. The most recent robbery of a bank occurred at Grand Haven, Michigan, in early August at which time one [REDACTED] alias [REDACTED] was captured by officers and citizens. This individual has served several terms one of which was in the United States Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas, his number being 28842. He is wanted in several places for similar offenses and also at one point in Missouri for murder.

APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>[Signature]</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	7-115-434	RECORDED AND INDEXED SEP 9 1933
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[REDACTED] is presently engaged on the Grand Haven bank robbery case and confidentially informed agent that he expects [REDACTED] to do some talking in this matter at a very early date. He is confident that Edward Bentz was one of the persons participating in the robbery at Grand Haven.

[REDACTED] possesses all of the details concerning the matter on which Bentz is wanted and it was [REDACTED] who communicated with [REDACTED] of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company at San Francisco, Calif.

Another matter of general interest in this and other similar cases was called to agent's attention by [REDACTED] who stated that it had been their experience in a number of cases during the past year or so where weapons and especially revolvers had been taken from bank robbers and others, that on tracing said weapons, it was invariably found that they had been placed on the market through the Shapleigh Hardware Company of St. Louis, Mo. There have been so many of these weapons traced to this concern that the Michigan State Police at this time entertain some suspicion concerning this firm in St. Louis.

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DIVISION
XXXXXXX
905 Federal Reserve Bank Building
Kansas City, Missouri
September 6, 1935.

Director
Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

The noon edition of the Kansas City Journal Post for September 6, 1935, carried an article indicating that an individual had been arrested at Leade, Kansas, who was thought possibly to be George Kelly, Subject of our I. O. Number 1205.

Special Agent [redacted] b7C of this office, immediately communicated by telephone with the Sheriff's office at Leade, Kansas, and talked to [redacted] b7D at Dodge City, Kansas, but was at Leade, Kansas, in connection with the instant matter at the time.

[redacted] stated that the man in custody gave his name as [redacted] b7C b7D advising that it had been positively established that [redacted] was not one of the individuals being sought by this Division in connection with the Union Station Massacre and the Urschel kidnaping. [redacted] advised that the Sheriff at Leade intended holding [redacted] on a charge of attempted theft of an automobile and attempted robbery. As [redacted] true identity was not definitely known, Agent [redacted] suggested that [redacted] fingerprints be submitted immediately by air mail to the Division at Washington, with a notation thereon to notify the Sheriff by wire if [redacted] was wanted.

Immediately after the telephone conversation with [redacted] Special Agent in Charge R. E. Colvin, Oklahoma City, telephoned the Kansas City office and advised Special Agent [redacted] b7C that subsequent to Harvey Bailey's capture at Ardmore, Oklahoma, police officers had engaged in a gun battle with certain individuals at Enid, Oklahoma. Mr. Colvin further stating that two of the individuals in the gun battle had now been definitely identified from photographs as Charles Arthur "Pretty Boy" Floyd (I.O. 1194) and George R. Kelly. Mr. Colvin stated he had heard of the gun battle at Leade, Kansas, and thought possibly Kelly and Floyd were among the individuals there.

As during the time of Agent [redacted] b7C first conversation with [redacted] b7C b7D the phone was quite noisy due to the activity in the Sheriff's office at Leade, Kansas, Agent [redacted] again communicated

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with [redacted] at which time the Sheriff advised that photographs of the various individuals involved in the Union Station Massacre and Urschel kidnaping cases had been exhibited to witnesses who had assisted the desperadoes at Meade, Kansas in removing their car from the yard, and these witnesses had all positively stated that none of the desperadoes were any of the men desired by this Division.

[redacted] stated that the gun fight with these men at Meade, Kansas, had been on September 6, 1933, at which time [redacted] had been taken into custody. He further stated that about 9 or 9:30 P.M. that evening these individuals had called at a rooming house in Liberal, Kansas, and had requested the manager to call a doctor for one of them who was wounded, which the manager refused to do, and the individuals departed. [redacted] was unable to give further details concerning this angle at Liberal, stating that the Sheriff at Liberal was making further investigation of the same.

The following descriptions of the four individuals involved, including that of [redacted] in custody, were furnished by [redacted]

#1 - [redacted]
Age 25
Height 6' 2"
Weight - 140 lbs.
Eyes - Blue
In custody of Sheriff, Meade, Ks.

#2 - Sex - Male
Color - White
Age - 25 years
Height - 5' 6"
Weight - 130 lbs.
Slender build - thin face
Small and dark complexion
Mouth badly bruised & swollen

#3 - Sex - Male
Color - White
Age - 45 years
Weight - 140 lbs.
Height - 5' 8 or 9"
Build - Medium
Right shoulder dislocated

#4 - Sex - Female
Color - White
Age - 20 years
Weight - 115 lbs.
Height - 5' 5"
Hair - Blond
Eyes - Blue
Hatchet face - Deep cut forehead.

Very truly yours,

R. E. VETTERLI
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

CC - 2 Division
2 Oklahoma City

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U. S. Bureau of Investigation

Department of Justice

420 Post Office Bldg.,
Dallas, Tex.

Mr. Clegg.....
Mr. Edwards.....
Mr. Egan.....
Mr. Hughes.....
Mr. Nathan.....
Mr. Tolson.....

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Director,
Division of Investigation,
U.S. Department of Justice,
Washington, D.C.

RE: George R. Kelly,
with aliases - FUGITIVE;
et al.
KIDNAPPING.

Dear Sir:-

Transmitted herewith are copies of statements made
by the following persons in connection with the escape of
HARVEY J. BAILEY from the Dallas County Jail:

[REDACTED] b7C
A.R. Miller b7D
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Thomas L. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

There are also transmitted herewith seven (7)
photographs taken of the cell and corridor - from which Bailey
escaped.

The investigation is being continued and progress
will be promptly reported.

Very truly yours,

F. J. Blake

F. J. Blake,
Special Agent in Charge.

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*2 photos
detached
and put into
memo to [REDACTED]
dated 9-7-33
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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE	
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Dallas, Texas,
September 6, 1935.

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I, J. E. MILLER, make the following statement voluntarily to [redacted] Special Agent of the Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice.

I reside at 3234 Pine St., Dallas, Texas and have been employed as a Deputy Sheriff in the Dallas County Jail since 1/1/33; ever since that date I have worked in the capacity of Jailer from 8 PM until 10 PM each day, except every other Sunday, when I exchange days with [redacted]

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The last time I saw Harvey Bailey, a Federal prisoner in the Dallas County Jail, was about 10:30 Sunday morning 9/3/35, at which time I went up to the death cell for the purpose of giving Harvey Bailey some water and cigars. In this connection: after reaching the death cell I opened the door to the corridor and went to Bailey's cell #7; on entering same I got his bucket through the door of the said cell and filled it with water. On that visit, as well as all other visits prior thereto, when I called at Bailey's cell I made it my business to inspect the bars; and the last time I made such examination there was no indication that the bars of Bailey's cell had been tampered with (which was about 10:30 AM 9/3/35).

During my visits with Bailey I talked to him, asking him if he was getting enough to eat and enough to smoke, etc. On one occasion, when [redacted] visited and talked with Bailey, [redacted] told me that Harvey Bailey had an automobile and he had talked to Bailey about the automobile. After I talked to [redacted] I read in the newspapers about Bailey having an automobile in his possession when he was arrested at Paradise, Texas by Federal officers. I was in need of an automobile so I talked to Bailey about him selling me his Ford V-8 1935 model coach. I told Bailey I wanted first shot at buying the car and Bailey told me "you might as well have it as anyone else."

A few days later I came to see Special Agent in Charge F. J. Blake of the Division of Investigation, U.S. Department of Justice, at 420 Post Office Building, Dallas, Texas. After talking to Mr. Blake he told me it was all right to buy the car. I went back to the jail and again went up to see Bailey and told him Mr. Blake said it would be all right for me to buy the car. I tried to bargain with Bailey for the car. He wanted \$500.00 and I told him that was more than I could pay for the car; and he then stated to try and sell the car for him. I told him that I would see about it. I then returned to Mr. Blake's office and told Mr. Blake I could not buy the car; that Bailey was asking too much money for it; that Bailey wanted \$500.00. Upon this

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visit to Mr. Blake I brought a letter from Bailey releasing the car to me. Mr. Blake told me that since Bailey was not selling the car to me he would have to take the matter up with the U.S. Attorney. I then again returned and saw Bailey and told him Mr. Blake said that before disposing of the car it would be necessary for him to get authority from the U.S. Attorney for me to sell the car for account of Harvey Bailey.

I waited 2 or 3 days, then called Mr. Blake by telephone and he at that time told me it was all right to sell the car for Bailey, but before doing so it would be necessary for me to have an official of the County Jail or Sheriff's Office to witness Bailey's signature.

I got [redacted] former Deputy U.S. Marshal at Dallas, to witness the signature of Bailey. I finally bargained with Harvey Bailey to purchase the car at \$350.00.

On Friday morning while looking for a notary public in the Sheriff's office with a view of obtaining a bill of sale signed by Bailey and duly notarized, I came across [redacted] who was in the lobby of the building. He agreed to make out the proper bill of sale for me and notarize same. After the bill of sale was made out I, accompanied by [redacted] went to the corridor outside Harvey Bailey's cell #7, where Harvey Bailey in the presence of myself and [redacted] signed the bill of sale. I told Bailey that as soon as I got title to the car I would pay him \$350.00 in cash.

I learned from Mr. Blake that the registration and title papers for the car the name of [redacted] were in Oklahoma City. Mr. Blake wrote me a release for the car and I took it over from a garage in Dallas and it is now in my possession.

As I get title to the car I will pay Harvey Bailey the \$350.00.

time attorney [redacted] visited Bailey he had not received a pass from the U.S. Marshal's office, which I did not think was necessary because he was to take Harvey Bailey's acknowledgement as a notary sale.

Harvey Bailey cigars, the sum not exceeding 25 cents, newspapers, as well as supplied him with old magazines. He did not have any money; he told me he did not have any these out of my own pocket.

His statement over, consisting of 2 pages, each of which bears and same is the truth.

A. R. [redacted]

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Division of Investigation, U.S. Department of Justice,
Dallas, Texas
Spcl. Agt., Div. of Inv., U.S. Dept. Justice.

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Dallas, Texas,
Sept. 4, 1933.

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b7C I, [redacted] make the following supplemental statement to Special Agents [redacted] and [redacted], Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas, in addition to the signed statement I already made on this date to Special Agent [redacted].

b7C b7D On the evening of September 3rd, somewhere around 4 o'clock, [redacted] and myself, accompanied by a man and woman, friends of [redacted] I believe the man is sheriff of some other county, went up to the death cell where Bailey was confined and I opened the corridor door, went in and got Bailey's water pail while the other folk remained on the outside in the run-around of the death cell. I closely observed the bars on the cell and I believe they were intact at the time I went up there. At that time I did not see any towel hanging anywhere on the bars of Bailey's cell. [redacted] and the man and woman with him walked away and before I came out of the corridor I kicked the bars on Bailey's cell, and they appeared to be secure.

b7C b7D Later, around 8:30 PM the same day, I again visited Bailey's cell and I opened the corridor door at which time I gave Bailey some water. I again inspected the bars to the cell and there was no indication they had been tampered with. I forgot to mention - about 5: PM the same day - I went to the corridor of Bailey's cell and furnished Bailey with the usual meal, accompanied by [redacted] colored boy, he carrying the tray containing the food. On this visit Bailey gave me some magazines, telling me to take them along with me as he did not want them, having already read them. Almost every evening that I visited Bailey I brought him the evening newspaper, which I got from a boy. Bailey paid for the newspapers.

As I stated before, the bars to Bailey's cell #7, which I inspected at about 8:30 PM had not shown any indication of having been tampered with. The three bars that had been sawed from Bailey's cell must have been sawed between 8:30 PM, September 3, 1933, and 7: AM, September 4, 1933.

I have read the above statement which is true.

(signed) [redacted] b7C b7D

Witnessed by:

b7C [redacted] Special Agent, Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas.

b7C [redacted] Special Agent, Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice.

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Dallas, Texas,
Sept. 4, 1935.

b7C b7D

I, [redacted], make the following statement to Special Agent [redacted], Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas, voluntarily.

I reside at [redacted], Dallas, Texas. I have been employed as a [redacted] Dallas County, since [redacted] and am at present performing the duties of [redacted] at the Dallas County Jail.

On September 3, 1935, [redacted] and I were relieved by [redacted] and [redacted] who remained on duty [redacted] September 4, 1935. They were relieved by [redacted] and [redacted]. The two officers last mentioned were on duty when Harvey Bailey escaped.

I have no knowledge whatever of the details of Harvey Bailey's escape. My first knowledge of the escape was obtained at No. 1 Fire Station where I dropped by to speak to a friend. At this time the report of Harvey Bailey's escape was coming in over the radio.

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I immediately drove straight to the jail where I was assigned by [redacted] in company with [redacted] to proceed out Maple Avenue with a view of locating Bailey. While on Maple Avenue the report came in that Bailey in company with [redacted] were reported headed towards Rhame, Texas, on the Northwest Highway, in a green Ford Tudor Sedan. We continued our search for Bailey in the direction of Rhame. Upon arrival at a drug store about 30 or 40 miles out of Dallas in the direction of Rhame my partner and I called in to the Sheriff's Office for instructions in view of the fact that our radio had gone bad, and were instructed to proceed further in the direction of Rhame and the Oklahoma State Line. We later stopped at a filling station some 25 or 30 miles West of the town of Denton, Texas where we received the report that Bailey had been captured in the downtown district of Ardmore, Oklahoma. On receipt of this information we returned to the Sheriff's Office where the above information was confirmed.

The above facts consist of all of my knowledge relative to this matter.

I have read this statement and the same is true.

(signed) [redacted] b7C b7D

Witnessed by: [redacted] b7C

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Special Agents, Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas.

Dallas, Texas,
September 4, 1933.

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b7C I, [redacted] make the following voluntary statement to [redacted]
[redacted] Special Agent, Division of Investigation, U.S. Department of
Justice:

At approximately 9 o'clock A.M. 9/4/33 I was attending the main gate on the 5th floor serving breakfast, as my regular duty. I was standing facing the L on the East side of the house and from my position behind the desk was directing the trustees in their work. [redacted] had gone upstairs on the R or West side of the house to feed Harvey Bailey. Suddenly my left arm was caught by someone and a hard object shoved in my back. I looked over my shoulder and saw Bailey, and when I looked down saw the gun - a 44 or 45 calibre.

bailey said "Let's go, or I'll kill you." I said "where?" and tried to lean back to push the emergency button on the wall. He (Bailey) said, "don't do that or I'll kill you and I don't want to hurt anybody." Then he said "lock that gate," (the L gate) "now lock this gate" (the R gate), then "come on with me" and walked me to the elevator. Just then the elevator came up and on it was [redacted] and [redacted] colored elevator boy. As [redacted] walked into the office Bailey held him up also and then decided to lock [redacted] and myself in a cell at the side of the elevator, which he did. He then took the keys to the padded cell back to the desk and with the keys he got off [redacted] locked the front gate, got on the elevator and left.

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In about 5 minutes I got a colored trusty down to me and gave him my keys, telling him which ones to use and sent him to the death cell to let [redacted] out. [redacted] came down, secured the keys to the padded cell and let [redacted] and me out. I immediately went to the first floor by way of the stairs, as the elevator was not running, and found that Bailey had taken [redacted] on the first floor gate, with him. Going outside I ran to the garage across the street where we keep our cars, and found that Bailey had left in [redacted] car, a model A Ford 1928 sedan, I believe it is a faded dark green color. I then returned to the jail, went upstairs (after I had the Deputy in the office broadcast the description of the car) and searched the cell Bailey had escaped from. I found the 3 bars he had sawed out under his bed, but nothing else.

On Thursday or Friday, the 31st of August or 1st of September, [redacted] brought two men to the gate and introduced one as [redacted] of Oklahoma City and instructed me to take the gentlemen up to the death cell to talk to Harvey Bailey. I went up with them and the man (who said he was a Deputy from Fort Worth - a man about 48 or 50 years old, weighing about 180 lbs., dressed in a dark blue or brown suit) stopped at the end of the death cells and then went outside. [redacted] talked to Bailey about an hour and during that time had me hand a couple of statements to Bailey to sign. I stood where I

could see [redacted] and Bailey all the time but once in a while I looked out the window and at that time it would have been possible for [redacted] to hand Bailey a gun.

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We concluded our visit and when I looked up I noticed that the man with [redacted] had disappeared.

I let [redacted] out and continued on duty.

I have read the foregoing statement, consisting of 2 pages - each of which I have initialed, and same is the truth.

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WITNESS:

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Special Agent, Division of Investigation, U.S. Department of Justice,
Dallas, Texas.

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Dallas, Texas,
Sept. 4, 1933.

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I, [redacted] (not [redacted] as previously stated in statement of [redacted], make the following voluntary statement to Special Agent [redacted] b7C
[redacted] Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, Dallas,
Texas;

I reside at [redacted] Dallas, Texas. I am a [redacted]
of Dallas County, and have been employed in this capacity [redacted]
All of my official work has been that of [redacted].

On September 3, 1933, I relieved [redacted] and [redacted]
[redacted] is also on the same watch with me, [redacted]
and myself remained on watch until [redacted] September 4, 1933. I might state
here that I left at [redacted] on September 4 in view of the fact that my relief
arrived a little early; I do not know the exact time [redacted] left the
jail.

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I made the rounds of the jail corridors and cells at 2: and 4: AM,
September 4, 1933, with the exception of two other rounds which were made by
me between that time and 6: AM. However, I only visited the death cell twice
at 2: and 4: AM. At 2: AM Bailey appeared to be reading, his light was burning
and he had a book in his hands. I talked to him four or five minutes. At this
time I noticed nothing irregular. When I visited him at 4: AM he appeared to
be asleep - the light was out. At the time of each visit the blind door of
the run-around compartment of the death cell, was locked. The entrance to the
corridor was locked. The cell (death) doors of numbers 5 and 6 were unlocked.
These cells are used ordinarily for the convenience of the trustees on the 10th
floor, - that is, I think this floor, called the deck floor, is the 10th floor,
however, it may be the 9th. Bailey's cell door is #7, and, as I said before,
appeared to be secure. At 2: AM we carried Bailey a light lunch on instructions
of the sheriff, at which time I was accompanied by [redacted] And this was
the only time we entered the corridor to Bailey's cell. The meals were passed
in to him through the bars of his cell door which always remained locked.

No one has ever visited Bailey in my company other than an official
of the jail, as indicated above.

As stated above, upon my visits Bailey's quarters always appeared to
be secure, and I have no idea how he could have obtained a gun and hack-saw.
As above mentioned, I went off duty at 5:45 AM, on the morning of Bailey's
escape and have no personal knowledge of the details of same.

I have read the above statement and it is true.

(signed) [redacted] b7C b7D

Witnessed by:

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[redacted] Special Agent, Division of Investigation, U.S. Dept. of Jus
Dallas, Texas.

[redacted] Special Agent, Division of Investigation, Dept. of Justice.
Dallas, Texas.

Dallas, Texas,
September 4, 1935.

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I, [redacted], make the following statement voluntarily to [redacted] b7C
Special Agent, Division of Investigation, United States
Department of Justice.

I reside at the Dallas County Jail, 505 Main St., Dallas, Texas,
where I have been employed over 8 years as [redacted]. My duties
are [redacted].

[redacted] and [redacted] are jail guards and go on duty at 8 A.M.
to 2 P.M. [redacted] and [redacted], jail guards, are on duty
from 2 P.M. to 10 P.M. [redacted] and [redacted], are the jail
guards on duty from 10 P.M. to 8 A.M.

When Harvey Bailey, Federal prisoner, first was committed to the
County Jail he was assigned to cell 8-M located on the 6th floor
known as solitary confinement. Subsequently Bailey was removed to the
R death cells on the 10th floor. The R death cells are comprised of
3 cells, the middle cell has a toilet and a shower and the East and
West cells have a toilet. The West cell known as #7 is where Harvey
Bailey was confined until he escaped this morning.

To enter these death cells there is a corridor surrounded by bars, on
the outside of which is a run around. In order to gain access to the
run around it is necessary to go through a blind iron door which
opens from the outside. After this door is opened there is no way of
looking it from the inside.

The four day watches on duty between 8 A.M. and 10 P.M. are not allowed
to carry guns or revolvers. These day watches have keys and hooks;
the keys are used for opening the cells and the corridors, and the hooks
for opening the break box in order to get to the cell. The two men on
night watch from 10 P.M. to 8 A.M. have access to a pistol and revolver.
There is always one man on duty in the office on the 6th floor, and the
pistol and revolver are within his reach. The other man makes his rounds
of the jail but does not carry pistol or rifle; they remain in the office
with the man on duty.

Federal prisoners, like other prisoners, are fed at 7 A.M., 12 noon, and
5 P.M. The custom is that a trusty carries a tray of food, with the
guard, to a prisoner's cell. The food is passed into the cage door in
the corridor, where the prisoner then has access to it.

The four day jail guards who visited R death cells where Harvey Bailey
was confined carry keys and hooks and have access to the corridor in that
death cell. The night jail guards do not carry a hook but carry only one key;

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this key is used for the purpose of opening the blind door leading to the run around in the death cell where Bailey was confined, but the night jailers are not allowed to enter the corridor inside where Bailey was confined in his cell.

Once or twice a day I usually visit every part of the jail, including the death cell where Bailey was confined. The last time I saw Harvey Bailey in his cell was Sunday evening about 8 o'clock. I talked to Bailey from outside the corridor in the run around and from where I could see the bars of his cell. There was nothing to indicate that these bars had been tampered with.

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About 7:10 A.M. this morning, 2/4/58, my attention was called to the fact that Harvey Bailey had just gone down stairs on the elevator with a gun in his hand. At the time I was on the fourth floor. I immediately went to the 2nd floor, out door on the 2nd floor, and down the stairs to the 1st floor and went to the gate and called to [redacted] who is the turn-key on the 1st floor where the main office of the jail is located; and in which there are 2 entrances to the County Jail - one from the corridor of the Court Building and the other a side entrance from the alley. [redacted] was the only man on duty at the time and I found him gone. Both entrance doors were locked. One of the boys from the Sheriff's office came out and told me that Bailey was gone. I did not know Bailey had taken [redacted] with him. I proceeded to the river bottoms and began a search for Bailey. After failing to find him I returned to the jail and found that Bailey had taken [redacted] with him in [redacted] car, which was parked in a garage across the street from the jail on Houston Street. This garage is used by the jailers only.

I then returned to the cell where Bailey had been confined and noticed that 3 bars had been sawed out between the 1st and 2nd cross bars. I conducted a preliminary investigation, interviewing employees at the jail in an effort to determine who caused the pistol and saws to be brought to Bailey's cell, but there was no one apparently knew anything about how Bailey obtained the pistol and saws and made his escape.

To my knowledge no one has been allowed to visit Harvey Bailey without passes from the U.S. Marshal's office; and in the event such visitors had such passes a guard always went with the visitor. The rules and regulations of the jail are that when watches are changed that one of the 2 jail guards going off duty must check the prisoners in all the cells with one of the jail guards coming on duty. Whether they strictly adhere to these regulations I do not know.

I have read this statement, consisting of 2 pages, each of which bears my initials, and the same is true.

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Div of Investigation
US Dept of Justice

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Dallas, Texas, Sept. 4, 1933.

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I, [redacted], make the following voluntary statement to
b7C Special Agents [redacted] and [redacted] Division of Investigation,
United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas:

I reside at [redacted], Houston, Texas. I was committed
to the Dallas County Jail [redacted]

[redacted] I have been a trusty for [redacted]

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On Friday morning, Sept. 1, 1933, while I was on the first floor
of the Dallas County Jail, I noticed [redacted] accompanied
by a man he introduced to me as [redacted] who he stated was an attorney
from Fort Worth, Texas, enter the jail. I have known [redacted]
since the year 1920. I knew him at Ardmore, Okla. I told [redacted]
that an old friend of his upstairs would like to see him. He then
said, "Well, I haven't got time, I am going up stairs to see Harvey
Bailey now". He then asked me if there was a toilet on that floor,
and I told him that there was one behind the elevator. I then showed
him to the toilet behind the elevator. He then went into the toilet
behind the elevator, and when he came out [redacted] went into the same
toilet by himself. When [redacted] came out they both went upstairs
on the elevator. Neither one of these men were wearing coats, but
had their coats on their arms. They went up about 11:00 AM and did
not return until around 11:30 AM. I waited for them because I wanted
to see [redacted] When he came down I told him that I would like
to have a talk with him, but he stated that he did not have time.

I was up at breakfast and do not know anything about the jail
break of Bailey on Sept. 4, 1933.

I have read above statement and same is true.

WITNESS: [redacted] b7C

Special Agent, Division of Investigation,
United States Department of Justice,
Dallas, Texas

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Special Agent, Division of Investigation,
United States Department of Justice,
Dallas, Texas.

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DALLAS, TEXAS,
Sept. 4, 1935.

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b7C I, [redacted] make the following voluntary statement to Special Agent [redacted] Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas.

I reside [redacted]
[redacted] I have been employed as a [redacted] acting as [redacted] for [redacted] While feeding the trustees at about 7:15 on September 4, 1935, I, in accordance with my usual custom, rang the elevator bell on the 9th floor with a view of going down to the 6th floor to see if everything was all right in line with my duties in feeding the prisoners and personnel of the jail. The elevator boy opened the door and I stepped out into the corridor in front of the elevator. I immediately raised my eyes and the first person I saw was Bailey and [redacted]. Bailey was threatening [redacted] with a pistol. They were standing about four feet from me where I stepped out the elevator. Bailey said to me "Come on and go with me, both of you", and indicated with his gun that we were to get into the elevator. Then after we got into the elevator Bailey said "Wait, come with me." He then took us to the right padded cell where there was a negro prisoner. He said "Open the door", to [redacted] and [redacted] said "I haven't got the keys." He then said "Go get the keys". He marched us back to the desk situated on the inside of the office, the main barred door to which was at that time unlocked and open on account of feeding the prisoners. [redacted] got the keys off the desk, and we all returned to the R.P.O. where the cell door was unlocked by either Bailey or [redacted] and [redacted] and I were told to get into this cell and Bailey locked us in and Bailey departed by elevator. While Bailey was ordering [redacted] and myself around he kept the negro boy right with us all the time; he made this negro take him down the elevator.

The above facts are all I know about this matter up to the present time with the exception of hearsay among the jail officials, prisoners and trustees regarding Bailey's actions before and since I saw him, the details of which I understand have been obtained by Special Agents of the Division of Investigation, during their investigation of this matter.

I have no knowledge regarding the manner in which Bailey obtained the pistol and saws by means of which he effected his escape, neither have I heard any theory relative to same. It is not my duty to conduct any examination of the quarters in which Bailey was incarcerated, nor examine or escort any persons who may obtain passes to his quarters.

I have read the above statement and the same is true.

(signed) [redacted] b7C b7D

Witnessed by: Special Agents,
Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice,
Dallas, Texas.

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Dallas, Texas, Sept. 4, 1935.

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I, [redacted], make the following statement voluntarily to Special Agents [redacted] and [redacted], Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas:

I reside at [redacted], Dallas, Texas.
I was committed on [redacted]. I have been a trusty at this jail [redacted].
I have been delivering meals to Bailey, accompanied by Deputy Jailers on duty, [redacted] and [redacted].

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About ten minutes to seven on the morning of Sept. 4, 1935, [redacted] told me to get Harvey Bailey's breakfast. Bailey's breakfast was delivered to me on the sixth floor by the cook. [redacted] left the sixth floor about ten minutes before I left, which is the custom for him to do at meal times. Later I came up with Bailey's breakfast on a tray. I entered the blind door of the death cell runaround compartment and went over to the door of the death cell corridor where I saw Bailey pointing a gun at [redacted]. His back was turned to me. He must have heard me come in, because he turned around and knocked the meal tray out of my hand and told me to get over there with [redacted]. He then told [redacted] that if he did not give him the keys he would kill both of us. He asked him what key locked the blind door to the runaround compartment. [redacted] told him key number six, and on Bailey's request, picked the key out and indicated which one to Bailey. Bailey then warned us not to follow him or squeak or he would come back and kill us both. When he went out he locked the blind door to the death cell. We waited about five minutes after Bailey had gone, until we were sure that he was gone, and then [redacted] started to blowing his whistle. I went over to the West window overlooking Houston Street and saw Bailey and [redacted] cross the street and enter the garage on Houston Street where the jail employees keep their cars. [redacted] later stated that he saw them come out driving [redacted] light green Model A Ford. I then went to the blind door and followed on the instructions of [redacted]. I called [redacted] and one of the trusties came up and opened the door and let us out. [redacted] and I then went down stairs to the sixth floor. Immediately upon [redacted] arrival on the sixth floor he pushed the escape alarm button. [redacted] and [redacted] yelled to [redacted] from the padded cell in the North West corner of the sixth floor and requested him to release them, which he did.

I might add here that when I went up to feed Bailey this morning, I noticed a towel hanging over the place where Bailey sawed out. On my previous visits I never noticed this towel hanging in that position before.

I never saw any of the other trusties either white or colored go into the death cell row where Harvey Bailey is confined at any time, except that they used the toilet in cell number five and the shower in cell number six from about 6:00 AM until about 8:30 PM while the two Government men were on guard duty. Only the colored trusties used those quarters. Of course the colored boy who took my place while I was sick, name unknown, also accompanied some of the Deputy Jailers when Bailey was fed.

WITNESSES: [redacted] b7C [redacted] b7D

Special Agent, Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas.

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Special Agent, Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas.

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I, [redacted] colored, make the following voluntary statement to [redacted] Special Agent, Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice.

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I reside at [redacted] Dallas, Texas and at the present time am serving 146 days and \$36 costs in the Dallas County Jail.

Friday morning, Sept. 1, 1935, while in the front office on the sixth floor, I being a trusty, two men came in and presented a pass. I don't know who was the captain at the time but afterwards I talked to the captain and he said one of the men was Bailey's lawyer. I can't describe the men, except to say that one of them wore a tan cream colored suit. That man did not have the pass. The other one did. Both men went through the office on the sixth floor upstairs. I don't remember if anyone went with them. A jailer had to open the door to the death cell where Bailey was. This is all I know about it.

I can read and write and after reading the above statement over say it is all true.

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Witnessed [redacted]

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b7C [redacted]

Special Agents, Division of Investigation, U.S. Dept. of Justice

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Dallas, Texas, Sept. 4, 1933
[redacted] colored, make the following statement voluntarily
to [redacted] and [redacted] special agents, Division of Investigation,
United States Department of Justice

I reside [redacted] Dallas, Texas, [redacted]

I was committed to the said jail [redacted] I have been a trusty

While [redacted] a colored boy was sick for four five days I carried the
tray of food for Prisoner Bailey. He was up in the death cell. I went up there
with [redacted] three or four times and a number of times with [redacted]
I put the tray through the hole in the middle of the door on cell 15.

This morning, Sept. 4, 1933 about 7 a.m., I was on the 8th floor, corridor
B, and noticed Bailey coming down the stairs. I paid no attention to him, as I
thought that [redacted] was taking him down stairs. One of the other boys
later told me that Bailey had a pistol in his hands and was going down stairs.
I do not know anything about the escape, and where Bailey got the gun and sawed.
I did not see the cell after the bars were sawed. The trusties, to my knowledge
have been allowed to go in the death cells where Bailey was confined, after the
two Government guards left there, except those who carried food to Bailey with
one of the Jailers.

I have read this statement over and say it is true.

Witnessed by [redacted] b7C

[redacted] b7C
Special Agents, Division of Investigation, U. S. Dept. of Justice, Dallas, Texas.

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Dallas, Texas,
Sept. 4, 1935.

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I, Tom Marion, make the following voluntary statement to Special Agents [redacted] and [redacted], Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice at Dallas, Texas.

I reside at 1629 Poplar Street, Dallas, Texas. I have been employed as a Deputy Sheriff since the 1st of January, 1935, at the Dallas County Jail in the capacity of [redacted]. My hours since Harvey Bailey's incarceration have been between 10: PM and 6: AM.

The last time I saw Harvey Bailey was in the death cell #7. - by this I mean the last cell on the West side of the R death cell. At that time I checked Harvey Bailey in the cell over to jailer [redacted]. This check was made from outside the corridor because the night watchman is not allowed to enter the corridor on a tour of inspection. In checking Bailey in the cell I used a flashlight and threw a light from the corridor into his cell. At the time I did not notice anything unusual. The check referred to was made by me at 5: o'clock Monday morning, September 4. On Sunday morning, September 3, 1935, I did not check Bailey in his cell but waited in the office on the 6th floor until [redacted] reported that Bailey was in his cell. Sometimes we - [redacted] and myself - check the prisoners in the death cell together, and other times I wait on the 6th floor until [redacted] goes back and reports that Bailey is still there. The reason that I made it my business this morning - September 4, 1935 - to check Bailey in the cell with [redacted] - was that I wanted to call [redacted] attention to the dirty condition in the R death cell and have it cleaned up. Young climbed up on top of the R death cell and stated he would have it cleaned.

Since Harvey Bailey has been confined in the R death cell, to my knowledge, he has had no visitors. In this connection, it would have been impossible for anyone to have visited Harvey Bailey in the death cell without going through the 6th floor, and if he did so he would have to have a pass from the U. S. Marshal which I would have on record.

The shift from 10 PM to 6 AM do not carry keys or hooks, but the other two shifts - from 6: AM to 2: PM and from 2: PM to 10: PM each has a key and hook. The keys and hook on the 10 to 6 shift do not leave the office, and one jailer stays in the office on that shift and keeps the doors locked at all times while the other makes the round of the jail. The keys are used for opening the different doors, and the hook is used to open the corridors in the different cells. On the 10PM to 6 AM shift the two jailers have a revolver a piece and a Frag-Jourison 30-50 Rifle. The two revolvers are kept in the jailer's office desk-top drawer, and the rifle in the closet, standing up. On the other two watches there are no revolvers or rifles present in the office of the 6th floor.

As I stated before the two night jailers - from 10 PM to 6 AM - are not allowed to enter the corridors or the death cells, but must inspect the prisoners from the outside, and for this reason I have never been inside the [redacted] corridor or cell where Bailey was confined.

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Thomas L. Marion

I had no opportunity, therefore, of inspecting Bailey's individual cell. I did, however, inspect the area every night the outside bars, the top of the death cell and back of the death cell where the toilets extend into. Since Bailey's incarceration he has been the only prisoner confined in the 2 death cell. This 2 death cell is composed of three individual cells, with a corridor in front, surrounded by iron bars and a run-around on the outside. The two cells that were not occupied remained open. The first and third cells contained toilets and the middle cell a toilet and shower bath. The two empty cells have not been used by anyone during my shift - from 10: PM to 8: AM, during the time that Harvey Bailey was confined in the West death cell.

Previous to being a Deputy Sheriff I was Original Deputy for Precinct 2, Oak Cliff, Dallas; previous to that Special Investigator for Mayor Tate and Mayor Park, Dallas, Texas; previous to that Police in the 4th Precinct; previous to that Assistant to the President of the different utilities in Dallas - Dallas Railway, Texas Power & Light, Texas Electric Railway and Dallas Power & Light; previous to that Military Drug Instructor of the Schools in Illinois; previous to that Chief of the Customs Service at Manila, Philippine Islands; previous to that I was in the Army Transport service; previous to that a soldier in the United States Army in the Philippine, Cuba and the United States.

I have read this statement, consisting of two pages, each of which bears my signature, and I state it is all true.

(signed) *Thomas J. [Signature]*

Witnessed by: Special Agents, Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas.

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Dallas, Tex., Sept. 4, 1933

I, [redacted] make the following statement voluntarily to Special Agent, Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, [redacted]

I reside at [redacted] Dallas, Texas, and am employed as a [redacted] Dallas County, Dallas, Texas, in the capacity of one of the jailers at the County Jail located at 505 Main St., Dallas, Texas.

About six o'clock this morning, Aug. 4, 1933, I accompanied [redacted] to the death cells, located on the ninth floor of the North West corner of the jail. [redacted] In cell known as number seven Harvey Bailey, a Federal prisoner, was confined. The object of this visit was to determine whether or not Harvey Bailey was in the cell. At the time I made my usual inspect looking around the runways on top of the cell tiers. Bailey was at this time asleep on his cot in the cell. I returned to Bailey's cell at 8:50 AM to feed Harvey Bailey. I was accompanied at this time by [redacted] Colored Trusty, who was carrying the tray of food. Before entering the death cells, one of which was occupied by Bailey, I unlocked the outer door, which remains open while I am inside there being no way to lock this door from the inside of the room in which the death cells are located. I went to the lever box and pulled the lever to allow me to enter the runaround in order to gain access to Bailey's cell. Brown followed me with the tray of food. I had just passed cell number six which was open as well as cell number five, also open. In this runaround there are three cells, numbers five, six and seven. As I was passing cell number six, Bailey came out of this cell, where he was hiding behind the door, and grabbed me by the hair from behind, placed an object which I thought to be a gun against my back, stating "give me those keys, Captain, I don't want to kill you." He took the keys out of my hand. When I turned around I saw that he had a gun, which looked like a 45 calibre double action revolver which breaks down similar to an old Ivey Johnson. He then told me to move over to the slop sink and keep my hands up. I did as he told me. I then noticed that Bailey turned around and saw [redacted] with the breakfast tray. He made a jab at [redacted] with his gun, knocked the tray out of his hand, and ordered back to where I was. He then asked me what key would lock me in that runaround compartment. I told him number six. He then told us to keep quite or he would kill us, and then left after first locking the outer door to the runaround compartment. While all of this was taking place Bailey appeared perfectly cool and collected. When Bailey departed and we were sure that he had gone, [redacted] and I walked over to the window facing Houston Street, which runs North and South of the jail, where I immediately blew my police whistle in an effort to attract attention. [redacted] told me at this time that he saw [redacted] accompanied by Bailey, cross the street and go into Fishburn's Garage, which is used by the jail employees. I personally saw Bailey come out of that garage in a very short time driving a Model A 1928 Ford Coach colored light green, which is owned by [redacted]. I noticed that [redacted] was sitting along side Bailey on the front seat. The car went North on Houston Street and turned East on Elm Street. After about twenty minutes had elapsed, I was released from the runaround compartment by one of the trustees. I immediately came down stairs and gave the escape alarm signal which connects with [redacted] office and the Main Sheriff's office in front of the building on the ground floor. This alarm was given from the sixth floor, and while doing so, [redacted] and [redacted] my partner, saw me and asked me to release them, as they had been locked in the Right Padded Cells by Bailey. These cells are located on the sixth floor. I then released Neiland and Morrow. Brown was with me all of the time.

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While [redacted] and myself were still locked up in this room and I spoke of, I wonder how Bailey got out of locked cell number seven. I noticed a jail towel hanging at the bottom of the door entering cell number seven. I removed this towel and noticed that three bars had been sawed between the first and second cross bars of the door had been removed by first completely sawing them at the top and partially sawing them into at the bottom. Later in the day, accompanied by [redacted] and [redacted] Special Agent, Division of Investigation, I examined the opening from which three sawed portions of the bars had been removed, and ascertained that same is fifteen and one quarter inches by eleven and a quarter inches.

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My watch at the Dallas County Jail is between the hours of six AM to two PM every day, Sunday included. When Bailey was first placed in this death cell he was stripped, and his clothing taken away from him. His clothing, including his shoes were locked up in another part of the building. He was then supplied by the County Jail with a suit of stripped Unionalls, pair of brown shoes, including underwear which he wore.

During my watch, to my knowledge, Bailey's cell has never been searched for a gun or guns. I can also state that with the exception of Special Agents [redacted] Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice and the Attorney by the name of [redacted] Dallas, Texas, who was accompanied by [redacted] no one has been allowed to see Bailey on my watch. However, I might add here that [redacted] accompanied by one of the jailers, cut Bailey's hair on one occasion.

I have read above statement, consisting of two pages each of which bears my signature, and same is true.

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b7D [redacted]

WITNESSES [redacted] b7c

Special Agent, Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas.

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Special Agent, Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas.

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In talking to Bailey one day, I asked him about the machine gun and guns were taken from him. He said he didn't have a machine gun but they a new 45 super automatic pistol and a 45 high powered rifle. I told him that I would like to have the pistol and he told me that I could have them both, if I could get an order from the Federal man. I prepared the order and Bailey signed it and I sent the order by [redacted] to [redacted]. I forgot to tell you in the above statement that when I went to feed Bailey at 6.50 a.m. I noticed a towel placed over the three bars that had been sawed from Bailey's cell. [redacted] b7c

WITNESSES [redacted]
Sgt. [redacted] Div. of Investigation, US Dept. Justice.

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Dallas, Texas,
September 4, 1935.

I, [redacted] make the following statement voluntarily to [redacted] Special Agent, Division of Investigation, U.S. Department of Justice.

I reside at [redacted] Dallas, Texas. [redacted] I have been employed as a [redacted] for Dallas County, and have been [redacted]

On Monday morning 8/28/35 [redacted] left Dallas for Chicago, and at the present time is away from Dallas.

[redacted] is head jailer in the county jail.

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I was at the County Jail when Harvey Bailey was first brought to the jail. He was first placed in cell 4-M and later transferred to a death cell on the top floor. I have observed that cell and Harvey Bailey every day since [redacted] left the jail, exclusive of Sundays. The last time I visited Harvey Bailey's cell was Saturday afternoon about 4 or 5 P.M. 9/2/35. I carried on a brief conversation with Bailey at the time, asking him how he was getting along, etc. At the same time I observed that everything was intact, both inside and outside of his cell, which refers to cell bars as well. Between 7 and 7:15 A.M. this morning 9/4/35 I was notified at my home that Harvey Bailey had escaped, taking with him [redacted] on the first floor in the jail. I arrived at the jail about 7:20 and called all the deputies to the office and dispatched them to various roads, and had 2 men calling surrounding towns, notifying them of Bailey's escape, giving descriptions of [redacted] and Bailey, model and number of car, and color of the car.

[redacted] an investigation and in this connection [redacted] with a view of determining how Bailey obtained the saws and pistol in his cell.

At this time I have nothing definite to report [redacted]

WITNESS

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Special Agent, Division of Investigation, U.S. Department of Justice,
Dallas, Texas,

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Dallas, Texas, Sept. 4, 1935

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b7C [redacted] make the following statement voluntarily to Special Agents [redacted] and [redacted] Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, Dallas, Texas.

I reside at [redacted] near Dallas, Texas. I am at present [redacted] I was committed to jail [redacted] and have been a trusty [redacted]

b7C b7D About 7:10 AM, Sept. 4, 1935, the date of Bailey's escape, I was on the first floor of the jail, when the elevator bell rang on the ninth floor. I proceeded up to that floor, where [redacted] entered the elevator, and requested me to take him down to the sixth floor. When I went by the sixth floor on the way up, I did not see anyone but [redacted] who was eating breakfast at his desk. When I opened the door of the elevator upon arrival at the sixth floor, [redacted] stepped off, I first noticed [redacted] standing just outside of the main jail door to the jailer's office and Bailey was standing just behind him. Bailey immediately ordered [redacted] to go on over to the padded cell in the North West corner of the sixth floor, ordering [redacted] to do likewise. Bailey then ordered me off of the elevator. I got off and leaned back against the elevator, and Bailey told me to move over away from the elevator toward [redacted] and [redacted]. Bailey then locked [redacted] and [redacted] up in the padded cell, after he first went back to [redacted] desk with the latter to get his keys which were hanging on the desk. He then made me get on the elevator, and instructed me to take him down. He caught me in the collar at the back of the neck, putting his arm against my back, and, when I stepped the elevator on the fourth floor, he told me to carry him on down to the main floor, which I did. When we got to the main floor, he caught me in the collar and shoved me on out of the elevator in front of him to the door of the main office of the jail. He pointed his finger at [redacted] who was talking to an unknown man, at the jail door, and said, "Come here". [redacted] did not hear him at first and continued talking to the unknown man. Then Bailey said, "You come here". [redacted] then came on over and walked by Bailey clean on into the elevator, and started to shut the door, upon which Bailey rushed over and put the pistol on him and cocked it, stating that [redacted] was to get off of the elevator with these keys. [redacted] then got off of the elevator, and Bailey shoved me on the elevator, telling me to go on up to the top floor. I took the elevator on up to the fourth floor and stopped. I then reported to [redacted] that Bailey was out, and that he had locked [redacted] and [redacted] up on the sixth floor and was down stairs with [redacted] held up. [redacted] got his nickel plated pistol and went on out of the second floor into the court room, from where he went on out to the street. I had taken him down to the second floor on the elevator. On [redacted] orders, I remained on the second floor until he notified me.

The above facts are all I know about this matter, and I have read above statement, which is true. [redacted] b7C b7D

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