
Agency Information

AGENCY : FBI
RECORD NUMBER : 124-90066-10093
RECORD SERIES : HQ
AGENCY FILE NUMBER : 92-3960-30

Document Information

ORIGINATOR : FBI
FROM : NY
TO : HQ
TITLE :
DATE : 06/27/1962
PAGES : 110
SUBJECTS :
SALVATORE GRANELLO
DOCUMENT TYPE : PAPER, TEXTUAL DOCUMENT
CLASSIFICATION : Unclassified
RESTRICTIONS : 3; 4; 11(a)
CURRENT STATUS : Redact
DATE OF LAST REVIEW : 01/15/1999
OPENING CRITERIA : INDEFINITE, APPROVAL OF IRS
COMMENTS : RPT; TABLE OF CONTENTS PAGES 2-2b

Released under the John F. Kennedy
Assassination Records Collection Act of
1992 (44 USC 2107 Note). Case#:NW
68262 Date: 09-22-2022

NY 92-1108

ADMINISTRATIVE

Information copies of this report are being designated for the Miami and Newark Divisions due to the extensive investigation conducted by these offices in the past and the probability that additional investigation will be necessary in the future.

The information set out in this report as having been furnished by PCI SEYMOUR POLLACK was all obtained from POLLACK. POLLACK, when supplying this information, was in fear of reprisal from subject if it became known he was talking to this office. In view of this fact, in reporting the information supplied by POLLACK, the cover name of TONY was used to more fully cover the identity of informant. It should be noted that when referring to TONY, informant is speaking of himself.

INFORMANTS

IDENTITY OF SOURCE

CONTACTING AGENT

NY T-1
Mr. RAYMOND SKINNER,
Postmaster, Greenwood Lake,
N.Y. (Due to position)

SA EUGENE J. HINDES

NY T-2
PCI YVONNE SPENCE

SA WILLIAM E. DOWLING

NY T-3
SA SAMUEL GLANZER,
Internal Revenue Service,
U.S. Treasury Department,
245 W. Houston St., NYC

SA EUGENE J. HINDES

NY T-4
CSNY-1

IC JOHN T. LYNCH

NY T-5
PCI SAM CURATOLA

SA FREDERICK W. KUHLMAN

REVIEWED BY *RS* FBI/JFK TASK FORCE
ON 6/22/98 *dah*
 RELEASE IN FULL
 RELEASE IN PART
 TOTAL DENIAL

- B -
(COVER PAGE)

92-3960-30

NY 92-1108

INFORMANTS (CONTINUED)

IDENTITY OF SOURCE

CONTACTING AGENT

NY T-6
NY 2151-C

SA WARREN J. DONOVAN

NY T-7
Former PCI SEYMOUR POLLACK

SA THOMAS J. EMERY

NY T-8
Mr. HARRY NEWMAN, Senior
Investigator, N.Y. State
Liquor Authority
(Due to position)

SA GERALD P. REIDY

NY T-9
Former NY 842-C

SAS JOHN R. ANDERSON and
FRANCIS J. MATTES

NY T-10
U.S. Narcotics Bureau,
Washington, D.C.

FBI, Washington, D.C.

NY T-11
NY 169-C

SAS WILLIAM D. HOSKINS and
LEON F. GASKILL

NY T-12
ANTHONY ZERILLI,
Undercover Agent,
U.S. Narcotics Bureau, NYC

SA EDMUND E. SENASAC

NY T-13
Records of CIS, NYCPD

SA GUY C. BERADO

NY T-14
NY 184-C

SA FREDERICK F. DALY

NY T-15
NY 204-C

SA PAUL G. DURKIN

- C -
(COVER PAGE)

92-3960-30

NY 92-1108

INFORMANTS (CONTINUED)

IDENTITY OF SOURCE

CONTACTING AGENT

NY T-16
NY 1394-PC

SA WARREN J. DONOVAN

NY T-17
MM 509-C

SA WILLIAM E. DOWLING

NY T-18
NY 3597-C*

NY T-19
NY 1449-C

SA JAMES T. MC SHANE

NY T-20
NY 135-C

SAS FRANK R. GERRITY
and THOMAS M. TOLAN

NY T-21
NY 2467-C

SA DANIEL V. RYAN

NY T-22
Mr. HARRY SUDMAN, Justice
of the Peace, Greenwood
Lake, New York
(By request)

SAS RALPH N. BUTLER
and EUGENE J. HINDES

NY T-23
Mr. SAMUEL POTROCK, 887
Grange Road, Teaneck, N.J.
(By request)

SAS EUGENE J. HINDES
and JAMES A. MATTHEWS

NY T-24
Former NY 207-C

SA ARTHUR A. CAMMAROTTA

NY T-25
NY 2412-C

SA WILLIAM J. WATRY

NY T-26
Legat, Havana

- D -
(COVER PAGE)

92-3960-30

NY 92-1108

INFORMANTS (CONTINUED)

IDENTITY OF SOURCE

CONTACTING AGENT

NY T-27
NY 2566-C

SA VICTOR CARRELLI

NY T-28
Father FRANCIS MASSARONE,
Curate, Old St. Patrick's
Church, 263 Mulberry St.,
New York City
(By request)

SAS PATRICK J. COLLINS
and EUGENE J. HINDES

NY T-29
Former PCI HELEN RICCIO

SA SAMUAL RAY BURNS

Careful consideration has been given to the sources concealed in this report and T symbols were utilized only in those instances where the identities of the informants must be concealed.

- E* -
(COVER PAGE)

92-3960-30

~~SECRET~~

NY 92-1108

The records further reflect that VOLPE is a member of the white race and was 17 years of age at the time of the application. Her occupation was listed as a factory worker and place of birth as New York City. Her father is recorded as VINCENT VOLPE, born in Italy and her mother as RACHEAL DI DUNA, born in Italy. RACHEAL VOLPE consented to the marriage.

The ceremony took place on April 3, 1943, and was witnessed by GEORGE PARENTE and MARY VOLPE, both of 113 Baxter Street, New York City. The official was EDWARD SALERNO, a Roman Catholic priest.

E. Family

On April 3, 1962, NY T- 3 advised that

JFK Law 11(a)

NY T- 3 further stated

During the interview by the New York City Police Department incidental to the arrest on January 14, 1959, the subject advised that his father, MICHAEL GRANELLO, died on November 14, 1944.

On May 10, 1962, Mr. ANTHONY VOLPE, 236 Belmont Boulevard, Elmont, Long Island, New York, brother-in-law of the subject, furnished SAs PAUL J. NEUMANN and EUGENE J. HINDES with the following list of in-laws of the subject:

VINCENZO VOLPE, father-in-law, deceased, 1946.

RACHELE DI DONNA VOLPE, mother-in-law, age approximately 72 years, 121 Mott Street, New York City.

ANTHONY VOLPE, brother-in-law, age 53, 236 Belmont Boulevard, Elmont, Long Island, New York; employed General Post Office, 8th Avenue and 33rd Street, New York City.

~~SECRET~~ 92-3960-30

~~SECRET~~

11

NY 92-1108

CARMINE DI BIASE

On February 13, 1959, the records of the Court of General Sessions, 100 Centre Street, New York City, as reviewed by SA GUY C. BERADO, reflected the following information concerning the subject and CARMINE DI BIASE:

GRANELLO and DI BIASE were arrested on October 6, 1940, for the crime of attempted robbery which was committed on the previous day.

On October 31, 1940, GRANELLO and DI BIASE were permitted to plead guilty to robbery, third degree, for which both individuals were sentenced to the State Vocational School, Coxsackie, New York.

During 1958, the subject was interviewed on several occasions concerning CARMINE DI BIASE, at which time the latter individual was the subject of a fugitive investigation by the FBI. At the time, DI BIASE was being sought for the crime of murder in New York City. On each occasion, GRANELLO denied any knowledge concerning DI BIASE's whereabouts.

On July 24, 1958, NY T-11 advised that during a conversation with DI BIASE's mother, FILOMENA DI BIASE, she advised that SOLLY BURNS was continually helping her son in the latter's endeavor to avoid apprehension.

- 24 -

~~SECRET~~

92-3960-30

23

~~SECRET~~

NY 92-1108

JOHN ODDO
Also known as Johnny Bathbeach,
Johnny B

The information concerning GRANELLO's association with JOHN ODDO will appear under the caption "Shylocking".

JOHN ODDO, FBI Number 349341, was born on January 4, 1903, at Palermo, Italy. He resides in Apartment 5C, 1402 West 4th Street, Brooklyn, New York.

On September 26, 1954, NY T-11 advised that JOHN ODDO, whom the informant has known for 30 years, has always been a "combination" man and one of the biggest men in the gambling setup in the Bath Beach Section of Brooklyn.

On December 24, 1954, NY T-19 advised that JOHN ODDO presently has a large share of the big dice games presently being operated in Brooklyn, New York.

- 36 -

~~SECRET~~

92-3960-30

~~SECRET~~

NY 92-1108

He served as manager of this club for about four or five weeks, until the club folded and went into bankruptcy. During this period, SALLY BURNS contributed a total of approximately \$13,000 to the operation of the club and he, TONY, personally contributed close to \$30,000 which he had been able to borrow from close friends.

While the club was in operation, BURNS gave the indication that the \$13,000.00 contribution was an investment in this venture. However, when the club went into bankruptcy, BURNS informed TONY that he was responsible for the \$13,000.00 as a personal loan from BURNS. Again, BURNS began demands on TONY not only for the \$13,000.00, but for exorbitant interest on this "loan" which, as of September, 1958, amounted to a total of approximately \$16,000.

Though BURNS took no active part in managing this club, he was often there during the evening hours, as were some of his underlings, specifically the individuals referred to previously as BABE, CHICK and BUDDY.

Part of the \$13,000 contributed by BURNS was, according to TONY, raised in the following manner:

At a particular time when TONY was having difficulty making the payroll, BURNS instructed him to accompany JOE QUAGLIARELLO to New Jersey, where they were to pick up \$2500.00 from RAY (previously mentioned as having been in the office of VITO GENOVESE on Thompson Street). TONY accompanied QUAGLIARELLO to New Jersey to a roadside club where they met RAY, who turned over \$2500.00 to QUAGLIARELLO. The RAY referred to above, according to NY T-7, is ANGELO DE CARLO. NY T-7 further advised the roadside club where the meeting was held was the Martinique Restaurant, operated by DE CARLO in Mountainside, New Jersey.

- 77 -

~~SECRET~~

92-3960-30

~~SECRET~~

NY 92-1108

Following the closing of the Cafe De Paris, TONY's only contacts with BURNS and his element have been at times when BURNS has demanded payment, plus interest, on the \$13000.00 he put into this club.

At one time, during early 1958, while TONY was with BURNS at a tavern in Atlantic Beach, Long Island, New York, an individual identified by BURNS as Mr. JOHN ORMENTO came over to their table and said "Hello" to BURNS on his way out of the tavern. This appeared to be a chance meeting and there was no discussion between BURNS and this individual.

While in Havana, Cuba, on one of his visits to GEORGE LEVINE, LEVINE introduced TONY to a casino manager identified as JOE RIVERS, with whom LEVINE appeared to be quite friendly.

NY T-7 was recontacted on October 15, 1958, and advised that during one of TONY's visits to Havana, Cuba, during 1957, previously discussed, TONY met an American named LOWELL BIRRELL, who requested the Oriental Park Racetrack near Havana, which was operated by GRANELLO and LEVINE. The informant related that BIRRELL was a New York City lawyer who was in trouble with the United States Government in connection with large scale stock manipulations and BIRRELL was reportedly in Havana at the time to avoid investigation or prosecution in connection with the matter.

The informant related that it was his impression that BIRRELL seemed to be in close contact with the interests of GRANELLO and LEVINE in Cuba. He stated that in relation to the stock issued in the Oriental Park Racetrack in Havana, originally the stock had been placed on the market at about twenty cents per share and that during a comparatively short time, the stock rose to around a \$1.50 per share. The informant stated that LEVINE and GRANELLO were reported to have made a "killing" on the manipulation of this racetrack stock. The informant advised further that it would not be surprising if BIRRELL had a hand in the above manipulation.

- 78 -

~~SECRET~~

92-3960-30

~~SECRET~~

92-1108

TALTY identified the girl as FLORA ANN BILETTO, 52 West Oakdale Street, Brentwood, Long Island, New York, but at the time of the incident, she resided at 274 Mott Street, New York City. TALTY stated he recalls interviewing the girl, her mother and her aunt. The father was an elevator operator on 58th Street, New York City.

Detective TALTY stated he could not recall any additional details regarding the incident, but believes that it was his conclusion that the allegation did not warrant any further investigation.

On May 23, 1962, Detective LES MC GOWAN, 5th Squad, New York City Police Department, made available the following information from a report concerning the investigation of an alleged rape by the subject:

On September 23, 1959, information was received from a confidential source by the New York City Police Department that the subject had sexually assaulted a 15 year old girl at Greenwood Lake, New Jersey, sometime between May and August, 1959. In addition, the subject is supposed to have paid the girl's father \$15,000.00 in order to compromise the alleged rape.

Subsequent investigation developed that the girl's name was FLORA ANN BILETTO, Date of Birth, July 2, 1944, and she formerly resided in Apartment 3C, 274 Mott Street, New York City. At the time of the investigation, she resided at 52 West Oakdale Street, Brentwood, Long Island, New York.

During the investigation, Detective Lieutenant CHARLES C. DAUNER and Detective TIMOTHY V. TALTY, 5th Squad, New York City Police Department, interviewed that subject, his wife, his daughter, and the alleged victim and her father, but were unable to develop any information to substantiate the allegation.

- 81 -

~~SECRET~~

92-3960-30