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Additional Information

Richard Burkley is one of the sons of George G. Burkley, President Kennedy's military physician. ARRB mailed a letter of inquiry re: his father's papers, etc. on May 3, 1996.

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Who called whom? Richard M. Burkley of Witnesses/Consultants called Douglas Home

Description of the Call

Date: 01/10/97

Subject: Richard Burkley Called Doug Horne

Summary of the Call:

Richard Burkley called me today at 11:00 this morning, per my request of yesterday.

We had a very cordial and wide-ranging conversation. He confirmed that he had received and read ARRB's letter of May 3, 1996. First, he said that his father does not have any professional, archived collection of papers that were deposited in any institution.

He said that VADM Burkley spent many of the last years of his life with him (Richard) in Colorado, and then with his sister Nancy Denlea, in Los Angeles.

Richard told me that he has reviewed the few papers he has (approximately one small redwell full of papers), and said there is nothing present which would be of interest to us. I then asked him several specific questions about the papers, and his responses indicated that there was nothing which related in any way to the President's treatment at Parkland, the autopsy at Bethesda, or about the assassination in any way. He said this was consistent with his father's professional and personal discretion, as Physician to Presidents Kennedy and Johnson.

He did say, however, that his sister in Los Angeles, Nancy Denlea, may have some papers also. (He also said that she was the executor of the estate following VADM Burkley's death.) I explained that we want very much to talk with Ms. Denlea about any records she may have, but did not have her mailing address; since she is about to embark on a long vacation to New Zealand, he agreed to my request to contact his sister by e-mail today and explain who we are and our interest in records, and thus pave the way for ARRB's initial phone call. He will e-mail me at ARRB after he contacts his sister, so that I know it is O.K. to call her. This strategy should enable ARRB to contact her prior to her New Zealand vacation.

I then asked Richard whether his brother George in Hawaii was likely to have any of his father's papers, and he said that he considered that very unlikely. He said that his brother George was formerly in the Navy, and as a result was stationed all over the world during his father's retirement years, and rarely got to see VADM Burkley. He also said that it may take George some time to return our calls, because he is involved in archaeological/treasure-hunting dives on a 16th or 17th century shipwreck near Rota, Spain much of the time.

Upon receipt of the confirming e-mail from Richard Burkley, I will contact Nancy Denlea by telephone.
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