

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA  
ATLANTA DIVISION**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,	)	
	)	
Plaintiff,	)	
	)	
vs.	)	
	)	
GERARD MARCHELLETTA, JR.,	)	Case No. 1:07-CR-107-TCB
a/k/a Jerry Marchelletta, Jr.,	)	
GERARD MARCHELLETTA, SR.,	)	
a/k/a Jerry Marchelletta, Sr.	)	
and THERESA L. KOTTWITZ	)	
	)	
Defendants.	)	
	)	

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**DECLARATION OF MAURICE PEARSON**

I, Maurice Pearson, under penalty of perjury under 28 U.S.C. § 1746 do hereby certify and declare as follows:

1. I have personal knowledge of the facts asserted herein, and if called upon to testify to said facts, could do so competently.
  
2. I am a private investigator and I was hired by the Bernhoft Law Firm to do an investigation on behalf of their clients, Gerard Marchelletta, Sr. and Gerard Marchelletta, Jr.
  
3. I live in Monroe, Louisiana.
  
4. My curriculum vitae is attached hereto as Exhibit B.

5. I interviewed Marianne Boston on October 15, 2009 at the law offices of Jampol, Schleicher, Jacobs & Papadakis, LLP in Alpharetta, Georgia. In that interview, Marianne Boston reviewed SSA Kimberly Sellers' memo of Sellers' conversation with Boston on July 2, 2002, which read: "Ms. Boston represents Circle. During the course of the interview, Customs Special Agents were asked on several occasions if the Internal Revenue Service was going to be contacted" as a result of the Customs seizure. Boston responded emphatically: "That is a blatant lie!"

6. I interviewed Terri Kottwitz on October 14, 2009 and she told me that she was at work the day of the raid on Eagle Managed Subcontractors ("Eagle"), and that SA Bergstrom refused to let her leave Eagle's premises.

7. Ms. Kottwitz told me she telephoned her attorney, who in turn finally convinced SA Bergstrom that she had to allow Kottwitz to leave if she wanted to.

8. Before Kottwitz left the premises, Bergstrom insisted on searching the contents of a folder Kottwitz's attempted to leave with; upon doing so, she removed some documents and told Kottwitz she couldn't leave with those, because "these documents have Circle on them."

9. I interviewed a union employee on August 31, 2009 who told me that he overheard Jimmy Gibbs talking to SA Begstrom on the phone on several times.

10. I did a background check on Shawn McBride as part of my investigation and discovered the following criminal arrests: October 21, 2000 for theft by taking in Roswell, Georgia; on November 9, 2003, an arrest warrant was issued for non-payment of child support in Lexington, Kentucky; and an arrest in late 2004 or early 2005 for assault in the fourth degree in Lexington, Kentucky.

11. In the files received from Roswell, Georgia, they indicate that Shawn McBride had been removed from NCIC. In my experience as a former FBI special agent, the removal of someone from NCIC is virtually impossible.

12. On June 11, 2009, I interviewed Kasandra Logan with respect to her work with The Circle Group and her interaction with investigators from IRS-CI, including SA Bergstrom.

13. On May 11, 2009, I interviewed Lucille Ronis with respect to her employment with George Gorman and her interaction with investigators from IRS-CI, including SA Bergstrom.

14. On August 4, 2009, I interviewed Sheryl Rea at her place of employment.

15. On May 14, 2009, I interviewed Merhdad Nankali who had known Marchelletta, Jr. for approximately 15 years.

16. On October 29, 2009, I interviewed Attorney Richard Abbey at the law office of Miller, Chevalier & Chartered in Washington, D.C. with respect to a U.S. Customs memorandum of conversation drafted by SA Sellers on July 3, 2002.

17. Upon being shown a U.S. Customs Memorandum dated July 3, 2002, Attorney Abbey unequivocally advised that he never asked Customs SA Sellers about an IRS investigation. Furthermore, after hearing of SA Bergstrom's SAR statements indicating that Abbey had telephoned SA Sellers and U.S. Customs Counsel Brooks Thomas on separate occasions seeking clarification whether the Customs agents would be contacting the Internal Revenue Service, Attorney Abbey unequivocally stated that SA Bergstrom's SAR statements in this regard were not true.

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on October 4, 2010.

/s/ Maurice Pearson  
Maurice Pearson

**SUMMARY OF INVESTIGATIVE ACCOMPLISHMENTS  
BY MAURICE E. PEARSON**

January, 1971 – Attended United States Army Criminal Investigation Academy at Fort Gordon, Georgia

March, 1971 to December, 1971 – As a Special Agent with the USA Criminal Investigation Division in the Republic of South Viet Nam , I was charged with the responsibility of investigation of illegal smuggling operations throughout Viet Nam. One of my operations involving the smuggling of illegal brass retrieved from the battlefield by the Viet Cong resulted in the seizure of a foreign vessel in which the cargo of rice bags was filled with brass ingits bound for communist China. This operation was featured in a story by Time magazine.

May, 1972 – Attended the Federal Bureau of Investigation Special Agent's Training Academy in Quantico, VA. During my twelve year career with the FBI, I served in the San Francisco, Los Angeles, and New Orleans Field Offices, and the Monroe, LA. Resident Agency. During my career with the FBI, I received twenty-one commendations from the Director, FBI, Special Agents in Charge, Supervisory Special Agents, and persons with whom I came in contact during the course of my investigations. Listed below are a detail summary of the commendations received, and copies of these commendations are included herein.

October, 1981 – Commendation from Director, FBI for my contributions in the development and operation of informants for labor racketeering matters.

March, 1977 – Commendation from Director, FBI for my laudable services relative to the investigation of the Anti-Racketeering – Hobbs Act case concerning H.E. Hooper, et al.

August, 1975 – Commendation from the Director, FBI for my performance in regard to an Employee Retirement Income Security Act investigation involving Richard Henry Peterson.

May, 1973 – Commendation from the Director, FBI for my praiseworthy performance incident to a major undertaking of considerable importance to the FBI and our Nation. (Wounded Knee investigation)

December, 1972 – Commendation from the Director, FBI for the excellence of services pertaining the investigation of Jack Edward Andrews, one of the subjects of an Interstate Transportation of Stolen Property case.

November, 1975 – Commendation from Director, FBI for my contributions in the investigation of the Patricia Campbell Hearst, et al case.

November, 1976 – Commendation from Director, FBI for my contributions with the investigation of William Fred Peters, et al, the subjects of a Bribery case and a Fraud Against the Government case.

July, 1975 – Commendation from United States Attorney, Los Angeles, in the prosecution of Richard Henry Peterson.

February, 1975 – Commendation from Director, FBI relative to the assistance rendered in the investigation of Robert Maxwell Copley, et al, the subjects of a Kidnapping case.

September, 1974 – Commendation from Director, FBI for participation in the investigation of Muharem Kurbegovic, subject of a Destruction of Aircraft case.

May, 1974 – Commendation from Director, FBI in the investigation of the Bribery case concerning the Meat Industry of Los Angeles.

May, 1973 – Commendation from Director, FBI for participation in the undertaking of tremendous dimensions and of great delicacy at Wounded Knee, South Dakota.

January, 1973 – Commendation from Director, FBI for participation in the investigation of Ronald Wayne Beaty, et al subjects of an Escaped Federal Prisoner case.

March, 1974 – Commendation from Director, FBI for participation in the investigation of the Copyright Matter case concerning Richard Taxe, et al.

May, 1982 – Memo from SAC, LA on the occasion of my tenth anniversary with the FBI.

November, 1972 – Memo from SAC, SF regarding investigation of Jack Edward Andrews, et al, subjects of an Interstate Transportation of Stolen Property case.

March, 1978 – Memo from SAC, NO regarding my efforts in the investigation of a Hobbs Act – Financial Institution case.

August, 1975 – Letter of commendation from Edward J. Phelan, attorney at law, regarding my investigation of USA vs Peter Walter Dowling.

September, 1973 – Memo of Commendation from SAC, Minneapolis regarding my involvements during the investigation at Wounded Knee, South Dakota.

March, 1978 – Memo to SAC, NO from SA V.B. Coyle regarding my performance while assigned to the Monroe, LA Resident Agency.

December, 1978 – Letter of Commendation from President of the First National Bank of West Monroe, LA regarding the performance of Maurice E. Pearson.

January, 1984 – Began career as a private investigator in the State of Louisiana.

1987-1988 – I was involved in a due diligence investigation of former officers and directors of American Savings and Loan Association headquartered in Stockton, CA. This involved the prosecution and subsequent recovery of substantial assets for the institution.

1989 – I conducted a nine month investigation at the Anchorage, Alaska Savings and Loan in the due diligence investigation of former officers and directors of the Association. I worked with the FBI, Anchorage Field Office to prosecute and recover assets of the institution from former officers and directors.

1990 – I was employed by Guam Cable Television News division to investigate corruption in the theft of land by certain Guam politicians. I worked directly with the FBI, Guam office, which subsequently prosecuted several Guam political leaders resulting in the return of land illegally obtained from Guam born citizens.

1992-1993 – I was involved in the investigation, which lasted nineteen months, into fraudulent loan brokers in the Miami, FL area from Irvine, CA based Home Federal Savings and Loan. I worked directly with the FBI and our efforts resulted in the prosecution and conviction of eight mortgage brokers and the recovery of substantial funds for the institution.

1994 – I conducted an investigation in coordination with Scotland Yard detectives stationed in the Grand Cayman Islands requiring my presence in the Grand Cayman's in an Interstate Transportation of Stolen Property case.

1994-1998 – Traveled extensively throughout the United States working under contract with the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation investigation failed financial institutions with the goal of recovering millions of dollars in stolen assets from the institutions by former officers and directors. My investigative efforts resulted in the recovery for several institutions of millions of dollars in assets.

1998-2000 – I took a three year sabbatical from my investigative business.

2001 – Resumed my career as a private investigator doing business as Investigative Services Corporation.

2004-05 – I traveled to Zurich, Switzerland and Como, Italy working for the Estate of Marvin Mitchelson to broker the sale of two priceless paintings in the possession of the Getty Museum of Los Angeles located in storage at a customs warehouse in Como, Italy. The purpose of my involvement was to insure that the painting remained in custody of the customs warehouse until funds were received by the Getty from the proposed buyer who was located in Zurich.

2005-2009 – Performed investigations concerning white collar matters, background investigations, asset recovery investigations, and high profile defense investigations involving white collar crime.

In 1995, I was admitted to practice forensic accounting investigations as a Certified Fraud Examiner by the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners, Austin, Texas.

I have a Bachelor of Science degree in Accounting from the University of Louisiana at Monroe.

The above excerpts are highlights of my investigative career from 1970 through 2009.



U.S. Department of Justice



Federal Bureau of Investigation

Office of the Director

Washington, D.C. 20535

October 23, 1981

PERSONAL

Mr. Maurice E. Pearson  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Los Angeles, California

Dear Mr. Pearson:

It gives me great pleasure to commend you for your contributions in the development and operation of informants for labor racketeering matters. Additionally, I have afforded you an incentive award which is represented by the enclosed check.

The development and operation of quality informants is a difficult task, but one that is essential to the FBI's success in achieving its goals. With your initiative and ingenuity, the sources operated by you are providing quality information and have been of great benefit to the Los Angeles Division. Your worthwhile efforts reflect creditably on both you and the FBI.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "William H. Webster".

William H. Webster  
Director

Enclosure



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

March 8, 1977

PERSONAL

Mr. Maurice E. Pearson  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Pearson:

In recognition of your laudable services relative to the investigation of the Anti-Racketeering - Hobbs Act case concerning Harney Elihu Hooper, Jr., and others, you deserve to be commended. Furthermore, I have approved an incentive award for you in the amount of \$200.00 and representative of this award is the enclosed check.

Due to the discreet, aggressive, and tenacious manner in which you developed and guided valuable sources, as well as handled other important aspects of this complex and lengthy case, you contributed immeasurably to the successful results achieved with the conviction of the subjects. Please be aware of my genuine gratitude for your splendid services in behalf of the Bureau.

Sincerely yours,

  
Clarence M. Kelley  
Director

Enclosure



August 11, 1975

PERSONAL

Mr. Maurice E. Pearson  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Los Angeles, California

Dear Mr. Pearson:

I would like to commend you for your very fine performance in regard to an Employee Retirement Income Security Act investigation involving Richard Henry Peterson.

Due to the professional, thorough, and meticulous manner in which you discharged your responsibilities in this matter, including the conducting of well-planned interviews and the gathering of necessary documents, success was realized with the conviction of Peterson. I am appreciative.

Sincerely yours,



Clarence M. Kelley  
Director

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PERSONAL

Mr. Maurice E. Pearson  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
San Francisco, California

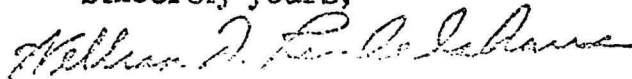
Dear Mr. Pearson:

It is a source of pleasure for me to commend you at this time for your praiseworthy performance incident to a major undertaking of considerable importance to the FBI and our Nation. Furthermore, you will find a check enclosed representing an incentive award of \$150.00 which I have approved for you in recognition thereof.

You fulfilled your responsibilities most admirably, participating in assignments where you were exposed to danger. Your courageous and effective services in this regard were admirable as well as your efforts in connection with two involved fraud matters which developed during this endeavor.

Your efforts bring considerable credit to you and the Bureau, and I want you to know that I am genuinely appreciative.

Sincerely yours,



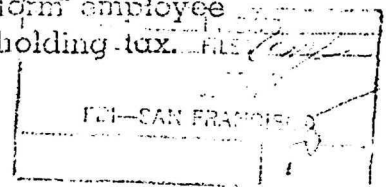
William D. Ruckelshaus  
Acting Director

Enclosure

①- SAC, San Francisco (Personal Attention) Enclosure  
Re: Wounded Knee

You should personally present this award and should this not be possible or should presentation be unreasonably delayed by your absence official acting for you should present it. Inform employee net amount of check represents this award less withholding tax.

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Person in charge of  
Award and check 5/31/73*



*W.D. Ruckelshaus*

December 20, 1972

PERSONAL

Mr. Maurice E. Fearson  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
San Francisco, California

Dear Mr. Fearson:

You are commended for the excellence of your services pertaining to the investigation of Jack Edward Andrews, one of the subjects of an Interstate Transportation of Stolen Property case.

I am aware that you conducted this investigation in a tenacious, competent, and tireless fashion, thereby contributing significantly to the success attained.

The Bureau has profited substantially from your dedicated performance of duty.

Sincerely yours,  
For the Acting Director \_\_\_\_\_

W. Mark Felt  
Acting Associate Director

① - SAC, San Francisco (Personal Attention)

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
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November 7, 1975

Mr. Robert E. Gebhardt  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Los Angeles, California

Dear Mr. Gebhardt:

Through you, I wish to commend Special Agents Leslie J. Norregard, Robert L. Baker, C. Robert Stranger, Mrs. Joyce C. Maroney, and Miss Janice A. Hutchinson, as well as the other personnel of the Los Angeles Division who participated in such an admirable fashion regarding the investigation of Patricia Campbell Hearst and others.

Everyone involved in this matter contributed materially to the success achieved due to the aggressive, skillful, and competent manner in which these individuals discharged their duties. Please convey my appreciation to all concerned for a job well done.

Sincerely yours,

*Clarence M. Kelley*  
Clarence M. Kelley  
Director

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

November 23, 1976

Mr. Robert E. Gebhardt  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Los Angeles, California

Dear Mr. Gebhardt:

Commendation is warranted, through you, for the personnel of the Los Angeles Division who participated so effectively in connection with the investigation of William Fred Peters and others, the subjects of a Bribery case and a Fraud Against the Government case.

These individuals discharged their assignments in a competent and professional manner, and as a result of their fine efforts, they contributed materially to the success realized with the indictment of the subjects. Please advise all concerned of my appreciation for their dedicated services.

Sincerely yours,

*Clarence M. Kelley*  
Clarence M. Kelley  
Director

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Please return this letter to the Bureau in your personnel file. Return to SAC Secretary.

ADDRESS REPLY TO  
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UNITED STATES ATTORNEY

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Tel: 688-2579

CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA  
U.S. COURT HOUSE  
312 NO. SPRING STREET  
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90012  
July 7, 1975

Robert E. Gebhardt  
Assistant Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
11000 Wilshire Boulevard  
Los Angeles, California 90024

Re: Letter of Commendation for Maurice E. Pearson

Dear Mr. Gebhardt:

I am pleased to call to your attention the outstanding investigation performed by F.B.I. Agent Maurice E. Pearson in the recent prosecution of United States v. Richard Henry Peterson, No. CR75-507-AAH. This case concerned embezzlement of more than \$200,000 from labor union trust funds. Defendant Peterson pleaded guilty to two felony counts which charged a total embezzlement of more than \$135,000.

Assistant United States Attorney Robert J. Perry, who supervised the prosecution of this case, has informed me that Agent Pearson's unstinting investigative efforts were primarily responsible for the successful outcome of this case. In addition to interviewing witnesses, Agent Pearson gathered the necessary documents and prepared detailed cash flow schedules and charts. The schedules and charts accurately portrayed the strength of the government's case and influenced the defendant to plead guilty.

We commend Agent Pearson for his outstanding performance.

Yours truly,

*William D. Keller*  
WILLIAM D. KELLER  
United States Attorney

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

February 6, 1975

Mr. William A. Sullivan  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Los Angeles, California

Dear Mr. Sullivan:

The personnel of the Los Angeles Division are to be commended, through you, for the exceptional assistance they rendered relative to the investigation of Robert Maxwell Copley and others, the subjects of a Kidnaping case.

These individuals carried out their responsibilities in this complex undertaking with initiative, enthusiasm, and aggressiveness, thereby making a substantial contribution to the successful results realized with the arrest of the subjects and the safe return of the victim. Please express my thanks to all concerned for their very fine services which were of the utmost benefit to the Bureau.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Clarence M. Kelley", is written above the typed name.

Clarence M. Kelley  
Director

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

September 18, 1974

Mr. William A. Sullivan  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Los Angeles, California

Dear Mr. Sullivan:

I would like to commend, through you, the personnel of the Los Angeles Division who participated so capably in the investigation of Muharem Kurbegovic, subject of a Destruction of Aircraft or Motor Vehicles case.

These individuals discharged their obligations in a highly professional and effective fashion thereby making a substantial contribution to the successful results achieved with the arrest of the subject. I want you to express my sincere thanks to all those concerned for the excellence of their services.

Sincerely yours,

*Clarence M. Kelley*  
Clarence M. Kelley  
Director

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

May 3, 1974

Mr. William A. Sullivan  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Los Angeles, California

Dear Mr. Sullivan:

It is a pleasure to commend, through you, the Special Agents of the Los Angeles Division who performed so competently in the investigation of the Bribery case concerning Meat Industry of Los Angeles, California, and others.

These men displayed aggressiveness, skill and enthusiasm in handling their responsibilities thus contributing immensely to the successful results attained. Please express my wholehearted appreciation to these individuals for their most effective services.

Sincerely yours,

*Clarence M. Kelley*  
Clarence M. Kelley  
Director

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

May 30, 1973

Mr. Charles W. Bates  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
San Francisco, California

Dear Mr. Bates:

It is with great pleasure that I commend, through you, the personnel of your division who assisted the Bureau so admirably incident to an undertaking of tremendous dimensions and of great delicacy.

Everyone performed in an especially effective manner, demonstrating exceptional competence, enthusiasm, and aggressiveness. I ask that you convey to all concerned my deep appreciation for their dedicated efforts which were most beneficial to the FBI and the Nation we serve.

Sincerely yours,

*William D. Ruckelshaus*  
William D. Ruckelshaus  
Acting Director

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

January 29, 1973

Mr. Charles W. Bates  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
San Francisco, California

Dear Charlie:

It is a pleasure to commend, through you, the personnel of the San Francisco Division who participated so effectively in the investigation of Ronald Wayne Beaty and others, subjects of an Escaped Federal Prisoner case.

In spite of the difficulties encountered, everyone approached his responsibilities with a conscientious attitude and dogged determination.

I want to ask that you advise all concerned of my appreciation for their splendid efforts.

Sincerely yours,

L. Patrick Gray, III  
Acting Director

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

March 5, 1974

Mr. William A. Sullivan  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Los Angeles, California

Dear Bill:

I would like to commend, through you, the personnel of the Los Angeles Division who performed in such an effective fashion incident to the investigation of the Copyright Matter case concerning Richard Taxe and others.

These individuals carried out their important duties in an aggressive, untiring, and skillful manner thereby aiding materially in the success realized in this complex operation. Please convey my gratitude to all concerned for the excellence of their efforts.

Sincerely yours,

*Clarence M. Kelley*  
Clarence M. Kelley  
Director

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**U.S. Department of Justice**

Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Los Angeles, California

In Reply, Please Refer to  
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May 8, 1982

Dear Buddy:

A Tenth FBI Anniversary is an important milestone and I would like to join your many friends in congratulating you on this occasion.

You should look back with much pride upon your many and valuable contributions to the Bureau's growth and development during this decade and of your fine performance in its many successful operations.

Best wishes for every success and happiness in the years to come.

Sincerely,

*E. N. Best*

E. N. BEST  
Special Agent in Charge

Mr. Maurice E. Pearson  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Los Angeles, California

FILE (87-33649)

11/24/72

SAC BATES

JACK EDWARD ANDREWS, ET AL  
ITSP

On 11/22/72 AUSA STEELE LANGFORD called me and referred to the above case wherein ANDREWS has just recently pleaded guilty. He said he was certainly impressed with the outstanding job done by SA PEARSON, that he realized PEARSON was a relatively new Agent but his thoroughness, his ingenuity and his over-all ability was outstanding in every way.

I told LANGFORD that SA PEARSON would be so advised and this would be made a matter of record in his personal file.

✓ cc P/F SA PEARSON

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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DATE: 3/22/78

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ATTN OF:

SAC FRANCIS M. MULLEN, JR.

SUBJECT:

CHERYL BOOKER QUALLS  
Hodge Bank and Trust Company  
Hodge, Louisiana  
3/3/78;  
Mrs. ROBERT L. CONE - VICTIM  
HOBBS ACT - FINANCIAL INSTITUTION

To: SA MAURICE E. PEARSON

I am taking this opportunity to express my sincere appreciation to you for your efforts in the successful Hobbs Act investigation involving Mrs. ROBERT L. CONE.

The excellent manner in which you handled the initial interview of the victim's husband directly resulted in the successful solution of this matter.

I would like to commend you for your outstanding effort in this matter.

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PHELAN & SHAHON

ATTORNEYS AT LAW  
CARSON CENTER  
12454 W. CARSON STREET  
TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA 90502

EDWARD J. PHELAN  
LEON J. SHAHON

TELEPHONE  
(213) 328-4820

August 6, 1975

Clarence M. Kelley, Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington D.C. 20535

Dear Mr. Kelley:

Maurice E. Pearson is employed by the Bureau and works out of it's Los Angeles office. I recently had the pleasure of working with him concerning the apprehension of a person suspected of embezzling my client's union funds (USA v Peter Walter Dowling, C.D. California) and thought you might be interested to know that so far as the Union and I are concerned we are most appreciative of the manner in which his services were rendered. Mr. Pearson appeared genuinely interested in our plight, personally contacted me by phone at night, early in the morning and weekends when monies were located and immediate steps had to be taken to "attach" same, and otherwise conducted himself in accordance with what I feel must be the highest standards of the Bureau.

I have been involved with local law enforcement on numerous occasions; it was refreshing to at last work with a first rate organization that knew what it was doing every step of the way and got the job done with great dispatch.

Very truly yours,



EDWARD J. PHELAN

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CC: N. Daddario, Pres.  
Pari-Mutuel Employees Guild, Local 280  
515 East Manchester Boulevard  
Inglewood, California 90501

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (67- )

DATE: 9/3/73

FROM : SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (70-6832)

SUBJECT: SA MAURICE E. PEARSON  
WOUNDED KNEE  
PERSONNEL MATTER

SA PEARSON reported for assignment on the Wounded Knee Special, Pine Ridge, South Dakota, on 3/25/73. During SA PEARSON's tenure at Pine Ridge, South Dakota, he was assigned road block duty wherein he participated in fire fights between FBI personnel and the besieged members of the American Indian Movement (AIM), who were occupying the village of Wounded Knee, South Dakota. SA PEARSON was subsequently assigned all investigative responsibilities relating to flood cases which entailed Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) and AIM Members or sympathizers. He also assisted in administrative operation of numerous types of Federal violations that were being investigated by the FBI during this period.

On 5/23/73, the operation at Pine Ridge, South Dakota, was re-established at Rapid City, South Dakota, at which time SA PEARSON was given the administrative responsibility for coordinating leads that were developed.

On 5/30/73, SA PEARSON was personally commended for his duties relative to the Wounded Knee Special and received a \$150 incentive award.

His overall performance is considered to be above average for an Agent of his experience.

SA PEARSON departed for his office of assignment, San Francisco, California, on 8/9/73.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, NEW ORLEANS

FROM : SA VINCENT B. COYLE

SUBJECT: ANNUAL PERFORMANCE RATINGS  
SA MAURICE E. PEARSON

DATE: 3/24/78

SA PEARSON has been assigned to the Monroe Resident Agency for less than one year, and in this time he has performed in an unusually outstanding manner. This memo is probably not necessary as I am sure that you are well aware of the many accomplishments attained by SA PEARSON in the past several months. However I do feel compelled to go on record to say that SA PEARSON is most deserving of the outstanding rating on the upcoming performance ratings. Also, if there are any considerations being given to meritorious within-grade awards or other financial awards as a result of the performance ratings, then surely his name should be among the candidates.

SA PEARSON has made a tremendous impact in the political corruption field in Northeast Louisiana and several local citizens have made favorable comments to me on the FBI's new role in previously untouched fields. Most of these favorable comments can be directly attributed to the outstanding work of SA PEARSON.

In addition to the above SA PEARSON has exhibited an outstanding attitude, his contagious enthusiasm has inspired others, and he is always ready to assist in other Bureau business when needed. Among other things he has recruited applicants and he has developed excellent sources.

① SAC MULLEN  
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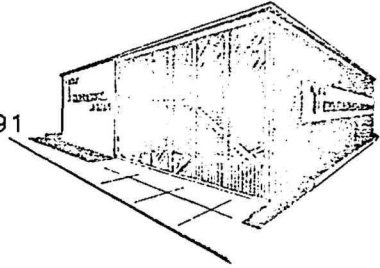
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OF WEST MONROE

December 12, 1978

Thomas Johnson, Special Agent In Charge  
701 Loyola Avenue  
New Orleans, Louisiana 70151

Re: Mr. Maurice E. Pearson

Dear Mr. Johnson:

During my banking career with institutions in both Texas and Louisiana, I have had numerous occasions to work with officials of your organization. While the performance of the F.B.I. has always been of a high standard, I have never felt called upon to make special comments. I now feel compelled to do so.

Mr. Maurice E. Pearson, Special Agent, Monroe, Louisiana has assisted our institution with such immediacy at personal sacrifice of his time during normal off-duty hours, that it requires our written appreciation. His alert analysis resulted in recovery of what was an almost certain loss of a sizeable amount.

Agents such as Mr. Pearson certainly bring a great deal of credit through their personal attitude and professionalism to your great agency.

Cordially,

Jean A. Quartemont  
President and Chief  
Executive Officer

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