SHELBY COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
CRIMINAL COURTS BUILDING
MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE

November 12, 1968

Sheriff W. N. Morris, Jr.
Criminal Courts Building
Memphis, Tennessee

Dear Sir:

At approximately 10:00 AM on November 11, 1968, while on assignment in the back lot, Criminal Courts Building, Assistant Attorney General Lloyd A. Rhodes, disregarded the security block at Second and the driveway. He proceeded to the parking lot on the east end of the Criminal Courts Building at which time the undersigned approached Mr. Rhodes and asked to see his identification papers. He told me he did not have a proper ID card, that he was going to the Attorney General's Office.

I then informed Mr. Rhodes that he could not park on the parking area or enter this area without proper papers. At this time Mr. Rhodes became very arrogant, used profanity many times to me and a City Officer, S. J. Smith. During this conversation, Patrolman Smith and myself were in no way rude or out of order with Mr. Rhodes. He continued to use profanity stating we were nothing but a bunch of guys playing cops and robbers. That it was not possible for anyone to get to that guy, (pointing in the direction of James Earl Ray's cell). At this time, I asked Mr. Rhodes if he would wait a few minutes and I would try to see if I could clear him to park his automobile and continue through the alley way. While on the phone, Lt. Key came to the back lot and Mr.Rhodes left with him.

Respectfully submitted,

Leroy Mabry

Leroy Mabry, Patrolman
Shelby County Sheriff's Dept.

Shirley S. Smith

S. J. Smith, Patrolman
Memphis Police Dept.

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