Nov. 10, 1968, 10 p.m.

Statement of Sheriff William N. Morris Jr.:

Mr. Percy Foreman, attorney, arrived at the Shelby County Jail today with John Ray and Jerry Ray, brothers of James Earl Ray and requested to see the prisoner.

This permission was granted and during the course of this visit, certain decisions were made and a letter was written to Mr. Arthur Hanes Sr., attorney, and signed by James Earl Ray. This letter was presented to me for reading by Mr. Foreman and it declared an intent by James Earl Ray to dispense with the legal services of Mr. Hanes and his son and of an intention to obtain new counsel and a Tennessee lawyer.

Mr. Foreman has told me that it is his intention to appear before Judge W. Preston Battle Tuesday morning at 9:30 a.m. to request a continuance in the trial of the case pending against James Earl Ray.