

**TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS**  
**BEFORE THE**  
**TEXAS STATE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**  
**HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON IMPEACHMENT**  
**AUSTIN, TEXAS**  
**VOLUME IX**



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2 REPRESENTATIVE LANEY

3 REPRESENTATIVE KASTER

4 REPRESENTATIVE HENDRICKS

5 REPRESENTATIVE SLACK

6 REPRESENTATIVE MALONEY - VICE CHAIRMAN

7 REPRESENTATIVE THOMPSON

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1 FRIDAY, JUNE 6, 1975

2 NINTH SESSION

3 (The hearing was reconvened at 9:00 o'clock  
4 p.m. pursuant to the recess on June 5, 1975.)

5  
6 CHAIRMAN HALE: Is Mr. J. H. Saenz here?  
7 Is Rojelio Sanches? Would you, through your counsel,  
8 fill out one of these forms? Mr. Rojelio Sanches, you  
9 will need to fill out one of these, too. Patricio  
10 Garza? And Fred Pilon? If each of you gentlemen would  
11 fill out one of these forms which the clerk will give  
12 you, it will expedite our proceedings here.

13 The Committee will come to order. The Clerk  
14 will call the roll.

15 (The Clerk called the roll.)

16 CHAIRMAN HALE: There is a quorum present.

17 Mr. Kaster wants it noted in the record that  
18 the three non-lawyers of the Committee were here and  
19 ready to do business on time. Only the lawyers were  
20 late.

21 Gentlemen, we have several witnesses under  
22 subpoena for this morning. The Chair is sorry. I hope  
23 all of our other members come in here before we get too  
24 far on the proceedings, particularly Mr. Maloney, for  
25 particular reasons. I particularly want him here when

1 one of these witnesses will testify.

2 We will go ahead and proceed with the testimony  
3 here.

4 Mr. Clinton Manges?

5 Mr. Manges, it's my duty as Chairman to advise  
6 you of your rights with reference to your testimony. You  
7 will be sworn to tell the truth and your failure to do  
8 so could subject you to prosecution for perjury. After  
9 you have completed your statement, members of the Commit-  
10 tee may ask questions concerning your testimony. You  
11 must answer these questions truthfully and your refusal  
12 to do so could subject you to punishment for contempt.  
13 You can refuse to answer questions only on the ground  
14 that such answers may incriminate you or tend to incrimi-  
15 nate you in some way. You are privileged to have an  
16 attorney of your selection sit with and advise you as to  
17 your answers if you desire. The Chair will attempt to  
18 protect your rights at all times. Do you understand the  
19 advice I have given you?

20 MR. MANGES: I do.

21 CHAIRMAN HALE: Are you now ready to  
22 testify?

23 MR. MANGES: I am.

24 CHAIRMAN HALE: Would you please rise and  
25 raise your right hand.

1 (The Chairman administered the oath to the  
2 witness.)

3 MR. MITCHELL: Mr. Hale, may I make a  
4 statement to the Committee at this point, please?

5 CHAIRMAN HALE: Yes, Mr. Mitchell.

6 MR. MITCHELL: As the Committee well  
7 knows, I have up to this point represented Judge  
8 Carrillo. I have as the evidence has indicated rep-  
9 resented Mr. Clint Manges on several occasions.  
10 Mr. Manges has contacted me in connection with the rep-  
11 resentation of him individually before this Committee.  
12 I have brought him before the Committee and produced him  
13 in response to the subpoena issued by the Committee that  
14 was served on him. However, in view of the fact that I  
15 represent Judge Carrillo, and in view of the obligations  
16 that I have to Judge Carrillo under the Canon of Ethics  
17 and morally, and in view of the fact that Mr. Manges is  
18 entitled to an attorney who can represent him without the  
19 possibility of a conflict, and without conflicting upon  
20 the avowed purpose of this Committee in search of the  
21 truth, I feel that in good conscience I cannot represent  
22 him before this Committee because of the possibility of  
23 the conflict vis-a-vis me and Judge Carrillo and my  
24 duties to Judge Carrillo, vis-a-vis this Committee and  
25 its search for the truth, and vis-a-vis me and Mr. Clint



1 Manges. It would be impossible, Mr. Chairman, for me to  
2 discharge absolutely, unconditionally and unfettered that  
3 duty to all three of those objectives. And consequently,  
4 I have recommended to Mr. Manges that he employ new  
5 counsel, which he has done, and has advised me that he  
6 has done, and that he has retained Mr. Jim Bates, whom  
7 I have taken the liberty to contact over the telephone.  
8 He is in a murder trial this morning in Edinburg. He is  
9 engaging in the final argument. I took the liberty, and  
10 I hope I was not presumptuous in stating to him that the  
11 Committee would adjourn until Tuesday at 2:00 o'clock  
12 and that I would advise the Committee that he could be  
13 here at that time, Mr. Chairman.

14 I'm afraid that any other course that I would  
15 follow would result in a terrible conflict on my part.

16 CHAIRMAN HALE: Well, the Chair, and I  
17 know the Committee appreciates your frankness and your  
18 honesty, Mr. Mitchell, and we certainly wouldn't want to  
19 put you or anyone else here in a position of representing  
20 conflicting interests in any way. May I ask a question  
21 of Mr. Manges or two along that line?

22 MR. MITCHELL: Yes, sir.

23 CHAIRMAN HALE: Mr. Manges, have you em-  
24 ployed Senator Bates to represent you before this Com-  
25 mittee?

1 MR. MANGES: I have.

2 CHAIRMAN HALE: And is it your request  
3 that you not be interrogated until he is here with you?

4 MR. MANGES: It is.

5 CHAIRMAN HALE: And Counsel, you tell me  
6 that Mr. Bates says that he can be here at 2:00 o'clock  
7 Tuesday afternoon?

8 MR. MITCHELL: Yes, sir.

9 CHAIRMAN HALE: Would that be satisfactory  
10 with you, Mr. Manges?

11 MR. MANGES: It will.

12 CHAIRMAN HALE: Is there any objection,  
13 Members of the Committee, under those circumstances that  
14 we excuse Mr. Manges until Tuesday afternoon?

15 MR. KASTER: I think that's a good idea  
16 and I think by Tuesday Governor Briscoe will be back  
17 and he can find him if he wants to give him the money  
18 back. (Laughter.)

19 CHAIRMAN HALE: Mr. Kaster, that matter is  
20 not within the jurisdiction of this Committee.

21 MR. KASTER: That is what is known as an  
22 "aside."

23 MR. SLACK: A side Bar remark.

24 CHAIRMAN HALE: Mr. Mitchell and Mr. Manges,  
25 under the circumstances, there being no objection from

1 any members of the Committee, the Chair will honor your  
2 request. You are still under subpoena to the Committee.  
3 You are excused until 2:00 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, at  
4 which time pursuant to that subpoena we will expect you  
5 and your attorney to be here to answer questions.

6 MR. MANGES: Thank you.

7 CHAIRMAN HALE: Is that satisfactory?

8 MR. MANGES: Yes, sir.

9 CHAIRMAN HALE: Counsel?

10 MR. MITCHELL: I want to thank the Chair-  
11 man and the Committee for respecting the position that  
12 I have expressed. I think it's inconsistent with what  
13 we are all trying to accomplish. I hate to be put into  
14 that position. Thank you very much.

15 CHAIRMAN HALE: We appreciate your atti-  
16 tude on it. I assure you the only thing this Committee  
17 wants is the truth about these matters.

18 Thank you very much.

19 (The witness, Mr. Clinton Manges, was excused.)

20 CHAIRMAN HALE: The Committee will stand  
21 at ease for two or three minutes.

22 (Brief recess.)

23 CHAIRMAN HALE: We will resume the Com-  
24 mittee hearing. The Committee will come back to order.

25 Mr. J. H. Saenz?

1 CHAIRMAN HALE: Mr. Saenz, it's my duty  
2 as Chairman to advise you of your rights with reference  
3 to your testimony. First, I want to be sure, do you  
4 fully understand the English language or do you need an  
5 interpreter?

6 MR. SAENZ: No, sir.

7 CHAIRMAN HALE: You do not need an in-  
8 terpreter. You will be sworn to tell the truth and your  
9 failure to do so could subject you to a prosecution for  
10 perjury. After you have completed your statement, mem-  
11 bers of the Committee may ask questions concerning your  
12 testimony. You must answer these questions truthfully  
13 and your refusal to do so could subject you to punish-  
14 ment for contempt. You can refuse to answer questions  
15 only on the ground that such answers might incriminate  
16 you or tend to incriminate you in some way. You are  
17 privileged to have an attorney of your selection to sit  
18 with and advise you as to your answers if you desire.  
19 The Chair will attempt to protect your rights at all  
20 times. Do you understand the advice I have given you?

21 MR. SAENZ: Yes, sir.

22 CHAIRMAN HALE: Do you have an attorney  
23 of your selection with you here?

24 MR. SAENZ: Yes, sir.

25 CHAIRMAN HALE: Mr. Emilio Davila, an

1 attorney of Laredo, Texas, is at your right. Is that  
2 correct?

3 MR. SAENZ: That's right, sir.

4 CHAIRMAN HALE: Is he an attorney of your  
5 choice and selection?

6 MR. SAENZ: Yes, sir.

7 CHAIRMAN HALE: You have asked him to be  
8 here with you today?

9 MR. SAENZ: That's correct.

10 CHAIRMAN HALE: Would you please rise and  
11 raise your right hand?

12 (The Chairman administered the oath to the  
13 witness.)

14  
15 MR. JOSE SAENZ

16 was called as a witness by the Committee and, having been  
17 duly sworn, testified as follows:

18 DIRECT EXAMINATION

19 BY CHAIRMAN HALE

20 Q Would you please state your name and your mail-  
21 ing address for the record?

22 A Jose H. Saenz, 605 Palacios Street, San Diego,  
23 Texas.

24 CHAIRMAN HALE: Mr. Davila, let the Chair  
25 welcome you here today. We are always delighted to have

1 members of the Bar before our Committee and you are cer-  
2 tainly at liberty to advise with your client at any time  
3 with respect to this.

4 Have you any statement of a preliminary nature  
5 that you care to make to the Committee?

6 MR. DAVILA: No, Your Honor, I mean  
7 Mr. Hale. I do not at this time. I have advised my  
8 client and he is ready to proceed.

9 CHAIRMAN HALE: Fine. Thank you very  
10 much.

11 BY MR. HALE:

12 Q Mr. Saenz, do you have any official capacity  
13 in a governmental agency?

14 A I don't believe so.

15 Q What is your occupation?

16 A I'm a clerk with the District Judge of Duval  
17 County, Texas.

18 Q Clerk of what?

19 A For the District Judge.

20 Q For the District Judge. Are you paid from  
21 county funds?

22 A Yes, sir.

23 Q In other words, you are an employee then of  
24 Duval County?

25 A That's correct.

1 Q And you draw your pay from the tax funds of  
2 Duval County?

3 A That is correct.

4 Q How long have you been employed as a clerk for  
5 the District Judge?

6 A About ten years.

7 Q When you say "for the District Judge," is that  
8 Judge Carrillo at this time?

9 A I have been with Judge Carrillo since he's been  
10 a judge and before that when he was County Attorney.

11 MR. SLACK: Before that who?

12 BY MR. HALE

13 Q While he was County Judge, is that what—

14 A County Attorney.

15 Q You were clerk with Mr. Carrillo when he was  
16 County Attorney and when he became judge you continued  
17 to work for him in that capacity?

18 A That's correct.

19 Q Do you draw your full compensation from the  
20 County of Duval or are you paid additional sums from  
21 other sources?

22 A No, sir. Just Duval County.

23 Q Just Duval County. What type of work do you  
24 do for the Judge as his clerk?

25 A I answer his mail, work around the office.

1 Q Do you type?

2 A Yes, sir.

3 Q Does he have a secretary in addition to you or  
4 are you also his secretary?

5 A He has a receptionist. She does not type. I  
6 do all the typing that has to be done.

7 Q Do you travel with the Judge?

8 A No, sir.

9 Q If he goes to somewhere other than San Diego  
10 to hold court, do you go with him?

11 A No, sir.

12 Q You perform all of your duties in San Diego?

13 A That's correct.

14 Q Or in Duval County. Are you paid any money  
15 from either of the other two counties in his judicial  
16 district?

17 A No, sir.

18 Q Do you do any work for the Judge other than  
19 clerk for him in his courtroom?

20 A (No response.)

21 Q Let me rephrase the question. Do you ever do  
22 any work for him out at his ranch?

23 A No, sir.

24 Q You are aware that he owns a ranch?

25 A Yes, sir.



1 Q In fact I believe more than one as the record  
2 has indicated.

3 A Yes, sir.

4 Q Have you ever performed any chores for him on  
5 any of his ranches?

6 A No, sir.

7 Q Have you performed any chores for the Judge  
8 of any nature other than official responsibilities of  
9 the 229th District Court?

10 A I will respectfully decline to answer that  
11 questions on the grounds it might tend to incriminate me.

12 Q Have you ever purchased any groceries for  
13 Judge Carrillo at the cash store?

14 A No, sir.

15 Q Are you aware of any charge accounts that the  
16 Judge has at the cash store?

17 A No, sir.

18 Q Have you performed any other errands of that  
19 type of a personal nature for the Judge?

20 A No, sir.

21 CHAIRMAN HALE: Thank you. Mr. Maloney  
22 will have some questions.

23 BY MR. MALONEY

24 Q Mr. Saenz, how long did you say you have been  
25 working for Judge Carrillo?

1 A About ten years.

2 Q And what are the duties that you have performed  
3 for him?

4 A Take care of the office, generally.

5 Q And what do you do in the nature of taking  
6 care of his office?

7 A Answer his mail. Answer the phone.

8 Q Do you remain there in the office in San Diego?

9 A Yes, sir.

10 Q All the time?

11 A Yes, sir.

12 Q What hours do you keep?

13 A Eight to five.

14 Q Has this been the usual procedure since you  
15 have been working for the Judge?

16 A Yes, sir.

17 Q Five days a week?

18 A Yes, sir.

19 Q Six days a week. Do you ever work on weekends?

20 A No, sir.

21 Q You have your work caught up before you go home  
22 on weekends?

23 A Yes, sir.

24 Q So virtually there's nothing more to be done  
25 until you get back Monday. Is that correct?

1 A That is correct.

2 Q And I take it from your statement that you  
3 have never worked on his ranch or anything like that?

4 A No, sir.

5 Q Do you handle any of his personal affairs for  
6 him?

7 MR. DAVILA: Would you like to enlarge  
8 on that question? Perhaps he doesn't get the context.

9 MR. MALONEY: I'll be glad to.

10 BY MR. MALONEY

11 Q Do you handle any correspondence for the Judge  
12 that is of a personal nature rather than in the per-  
13 formance of his duties as a Judge?

14 A No, sir. That's all.

15 Q Are you a notary public?

16 A Yes, sir.

17 Q How long have you been a notary public?

18 A About ten years.

19 Q That is for Duval County?

20 A That's correct.

21 Q I'll ask you if you know a person by the name  
22 of Roberto Elizondo.

23 A I will respectfully decline to answer that on  
24 the grounds it might tend to incriminate me.

25 Q I'll ask you if you know a person by the name

1 of Patricio Garza.

2 A I will respectfully decline to answer that on  
3 the grounds it might tend to incriminate me.

4 MR. MALONEY: May I get the Reporter to  
5 mark this for identification?

6 (A document was marked  
7 "EXHIBIT-66" for iden-  
8 tification.)

9 BY MR. MALONEY

10 Q Mr. Saenz, you have been handed what has been  
11 marked for identification as Exhibit No. 66, which is a  
12 copy of what purports to be claims for payment for a  
13 Patricio Garza, through the period of January 5, 1973  
14 through September the 10th, 1973. I'll ask you if what  
15 purports to be your signature as a notary public appears  
16 on those documents.

17 A I will respectfully decline to answer that  
18 question on the grounds that it might tend to incriminate  
19 me.

20 Q Mr. Saenz, you have been handed what has been  
21 introduced into the record as Exhibits 32 through 37  
22 which purport to be copies of claims for payment by one  
23 Roberto Elizondo. I'll ask you if what purports to be  
24 your signature as the notary public appears on those  
25 documents.

A I will respectfully decline to answer on the

1 grounds it might tend to incriminate me.

2 Q I'll ask you if you have ever been the campaign  
3 manager for Judge O. P. Carrillo.

4 A Yes, sir.

5 Q What times have you been campaign manager for  
6 him?

7 A The last election.

8 Q I'll ask you if, in your duties, you have ever  
9 notarized any document at the direction of Judge O. P.  
10 Carrillo.

11 A No, sir.

12 Q I'll ask you if you have ever notarized a  
13 document when the person who purported to sign the docu-  
14 ment was not present.

15 A I respectfully decline to answer on the grounds  
16 it might tend to incriminate me.

17 Q I'll ask you if you keep a notaries book as  
18 required by law.

19 A I respectfully decline to answer on the grounds  
20 it might tend to incriminate me.

21 MR. MALONEY: That's all I have at this  
22 time.

23 CHAIRMAN HALE: Mr. Slack?

24 BY MR. SLACK

25 Q You said you were Judge Carrillo's clerk, I

1 believe. Does that mean that you are the clerk of the  
2 District Court of the 229th?

3 A No, sir. Office clerk.

4 Q I see. You work in his office, but the Clerk  
5 of the Court is someone separate and apart from you.

6 A Yes, sir. That's correct.

7 Q As opposed to serving the Court, you serve  
8 Judge Carrillo entirely?

9 A Just in the office.

10 Q In his position as the District— What is the  
11 name of the District Clerk of that 229th District Court?

12 A Antonio Salinas.

13 Q I beg your pardon?

14 A Antonio Salinas.

15 MR. SLACK: Thank you. I have no other  
16 questions, Mr. Chairman.

17 CHAIRMAN HALE: Mr. Kaster?

18 BY MR. KASTER

19 Q I understand you handle the Judge's corres-  
20 pondence among your duties.

21 A That's correct.

22 Q And you do it from eight to five and keep  
23 current on it.

24 A Yes.

25 Q And you say you have done this for ten years

1 for the Judge?

2 A Yes, sir.

3 Q That would include the period then in 1972 and  
4 1973.

5 A That's correct.

6 Q Are you any relation—there is a man on the  
7 Grand Jury by the name of Saenz, Felicio Saenz or some-  
8 thing—are you any relation?

9 A No, sir.

10 Q No relation?

11 A No relation.

12 MR. KASTER: Thank you.

13 CHAIRMAN HALE: Mr. Laney?

14 BY MR. LANEY

15 Q Mr. Saenz, what is your pay from the County?  
16 What salary do you make from the County?

17 A I make \$750.00 a month.

18 Q How long have you made \$750.00 a month?

19 A One month.

20 Q One month?

21 A Yes.

22 Q What did you make before that?

23 A \$435.00.

24 Q How much?

25 A \$435.00.

1 Q You came from \$435.00 to \$750.00?

2 A Yes, sir.

3 Q Have you been paid yet?

4 A No, sir.

5 Q For last month?

6 A (The witness shook his head.)

7 Q Are you any kin to the District Clerk of Starr  
8 County?

9 A No, sir. I don't believe so.

10 Q Do you know who the District Clerk of Starr  
11 County is?

12 A No. But I don't have any relations up there.  
13 Oh, yes. Erasmo Saenz, I believe.

14 Q Is that no relation to you?

15 A No, sir.

16 MR. LANEY: That's all, Mr. Chairman.

17 CHAIRMAN HALE: Ms. Thompson?

18 BY MS. THOMPSON

19 Q Mr. Saenz, have you ever been indicted for  
20 income tax evasion?

21 A No, ma'am.

22 Q Do you own your own home?

23 A Yes, ma'am.

24 Q Do you own a ranch?

25 A No, ma'am.



1 Q Do you own other property?

2 A No, ma'am.

3 MS. THOMPSON: Thank you. That's all.

4 CHAIRMAN HALE: Ms. Weddington?

5 BY MS. WEDDINGTON

6 Q In working for the Judge, have you ever made  
7 personal bank deposits for him?

8 A I don't believe I understand.

9 Q Have you ever deposited money for the Judge in  
10 his own account?

11 A I might have gone to the bank and done it.  
12 Offhand I don't remember. I go to the bank sometimes  
13 and he will have me cash a check or whatever.

14 Q Have you ever made deposits for him in those  
15 accounts?

16 A I believe so.

17 Q Do you know what the source of the money was  
18 that you were depositing?

19 A The State of Texas. Yes.

20 Q Do you remember ever depositing money from any  
21 source other than the State of Texas?

22 A No, ma'am.

23 Q Have you ever carried a gun in the courthouse?

24 A No, ma'am.

25 Q Did you notarize any signatures on March the

1 20th of this year in the Judge's chambers?

2 A (No response.)

3 Q Did you notarize any signatures in connection  
4 with the matters to remove some of the school board  
5 officers?

6 A School board? No. I don't remember.

7 Q You don't remember or you did not do that?

8 A I do not remember.

9 Q Do you remember March 20th when petitions were  
10 being filed to remove some of the school board officers?

11 A Yes.

12 Q Were you present at a meeting in the Judge's  
13 chambers about that matter?

14 A I was in the office but not in his chambers.

15 Q Do you know whether or not the Judge has ever  
16 received a Cadillac from some person other than a member  
17 of his family?

18 A No, ma'am.

19 Q You don't know or he has not?

20 A I do not know.

21 MS. WEDDINGTON: I pass the witness.

22 CHAIRMAN HALE: Mr. Chavez?

23 BY MR. CHAVEZ

24 Q Mr. Saenz, when did Judge Carrillo become  
25 County Attorney?

1 A I believe it was in 1960, I think, or '61.

2 Q Prior to that time you had not been in his  
3 employ?

4 A No.

5 Q In 1961 you went to work for him?

6 A I started working for him in 1964, I believe.

7 Q Where was his office?

8 A In the courthouse.

9 Q Besides the office at the courthouse, did he  
10 have a separate office for his private practice?

11 A Not that I know of.

12 Q Do you know whether or not he did have a  
13 private practice?

14 A Not offhand. No, sir.

15 Q If he would have had a private practice aside  
16 from his normal duties, which there is nothing wrong with  
17 that, but if he did have a private practice, being as  
18 close to the Judge as you were, you would have known about  
19 it?

20 A I really don't know.

21 Q Well, if he had tried some civil suits there  
22 in the courthouse you would have known about it, would  
23 you not?

24 A He handled DWI and stuff like that where he  
25 was the prosecutor.

1 Q In other words, what you are telling us is that  
2 his practice during the time that he was County Attorney  
3 was strictly limited to representation of the State?

4 A Welfare work, and stuff like that. He used to  
5 make—there were hearings for people who were getting  
6 welfare checks. We used to prepare those in the office.

7 Q Okay. Were those preparations done at the  
8 request of the recipients or at the request of the State  
9 or what?

10 A People would come to us and we would do it  
11 for them.

12 Q He would help them out, and stuff like that?

13 A Yes.

14 Q But as far as an extensive private practice,  
15 he didn't handle that, like accident cases?

16 A I didn't have anything to do with his private  
17 practice if he did have one.

18 Q But he did have?

19 A Like I say, if he did, I don't know anything  
20 about it.

21 Q I mean, you do recognize your signature when  
22 you see it, do you not?

23 A I will respectfully decline to answer on the  
24 grounds it might tend to incriminate me.

25 Q But you do know how to write?

1 A Yes, sir.

2 Q And sign your name?

3 A Yes, sir.

4 Q Okay. Were you with the Judge during the month  
5 of February, 1974?

6 A Yes, sir.

7 Q Did you have occasion to notarize for him his  
8 financial statement which he filed with the Secretary of  
9 State?

10 A I believe so.

11 MR. CHAVEZ: Go ahead and mark that.

12 (A document was marked  
13 "EXHIBIT-67" for iden-  
tification.)

14 Q This has been delivered to us from the Secre-  
15 tary of State, Mr. Mark White. It came to us on May 21,  
16 '75. Financial Statement for the calendar year ending  
17 1973, apparently filed on March 1, 1974 by the Enforce-  
18 ment Division of the Secretary of State for Overro. Is  
19 that it?

20 A That's correct.

21 Q This is Overro P. Carrillo? Is that the Judge  
22 you presently work for?

23 A Yes, sir.

24 Q And at the end, is that his signature?

25 A Yes, sir.

1 Q Showing it was notarized on the 26th day of  
2 February, 1974, before Jose H. or F.?

3 A "H."

4 Q Saenz. Notary Public, Duval County, Texas. Is  
5 that your signature?

6 A That's correct.

7 Q It is?

8 A Yes, sir.

9 Q Did you discuss that with him?

10 A What?

11 Q The report. Did you prepare it for him?

12 A Yes.

13 Q You typed it up for him?

14 A Yes, sir.

15 Q He gave you the information?

16 A Yes, sir.

17 CHAIRMAN HALE: EXHIBIT-67 will be ad-  
18 mitted; the certified copy of the financial statement  
19 of O. P. Carrillo filed in the office of the Secretary  
20 of State on March 1, 1974.

21 (The exhibit marked "EXHIBIT-  
22 67" for identification was  
received in evidence.)

23 BY MR. CHAVEZ

24 Q Since he gave you the information and you pre-  
25 pared it for him, I'm wondering if on page 2 you could

1 explain to us what information he furnished you in order  
2 to include an item referred to as "Income from the Law  
3 Practice" in the amount of \$1651.00?

4 A That was a mistake made by Mr. O. D. Kirkland,  
5 I believe. We checked it out with him and he said it  
6 was a mistake.

7 Q Since that time has the Judge submitted a  
8 supplemental disclosure statement?

9 A Not that I know of.

10 Q Do you know whether or not he has attempted  
11 to rectify that error that was presented in that report?

12 A The CPA said he was going to do it.

13 Q Mr. Kirkland?

14 A Yes, sir.

15 Q When was this statement made?

16 A I really don't know. You mean Mr. Kirkland's?

17 Q Yes.

18 A After they found this error.

19 Q Who found the error?

20 A I don't know.

21 Q How long ago has this been? How long ago was  
22 it that this error was found? You say that Mr. Kirkland  
23 was supposed to rectify this error. When was he supposed  
24 to have done that?

25 A Three or four weeks ago. Two weeks ago.

1 Something like that.

2 Q Two or three weeks ago?

3 A Yes.

4 Q That report, in other words, was on file for  
5 over a year and then suddenly it was discovered that an  
6 error had been made?

7 A Yes, sir.

8 Q Is your office situated there in the courthouse?

9 A That's correct.

10 Q Is your office in the same little complex there  
11 with the Judge?

12 A Yes, sir.

13 Q Who else offices there?

14 A The court reporter.

15 Q Who is that?

16 A Robert Elizondo. The secretary, Matilda  
17 Izaguirre, and myself work there.

18 Q Okay. And since you office there in the same  
19 complex with the Judge and these other people, then I  
20 take it that you do talk to each other from day to day,  
21 say "Good morning" and stuff like that?

22 A Yes.

23 Q And that would then also reflect that you do  
24 know this fellow, Roberto Elizondo?

25 A Yes, sir. I know him.



1 Q And for what period of time have you known  
2 Mr. Elizondo?

3 A A few years. I don't know offhand.

4 Q How close a relationship have you had with  
5 Mr. Elizondo?

6 A Just working within the same office as I do.

7 Q Do you know whether or not Mr. Elizondo main-  
8 tains other employment other than that office of the  
9 court reporter for the Judge?

10 A No, sir.

11 Q Did you know Mr. Elizondo prior to the time  
12 that he came to work for the Judge as a court reporter?

13 A Yes, sir.

14 Q Where?

15 A Well, like I say. I am originally from  
16 Benavides.

17 Q Everybody knows each other there?

18 A Yes.

19 Q Then did you know Elizondo at the time that he  
20 was going to court reporter school?

21 A Yes, sir.

22 Q His being away to school was something every-  
23 body knew there at the courthouse? No secret about it?

24 A I wouldn't know that.

25 Q Huh?

1 A I wouldn't know if everybody knew it.

2 Q Well, you knew?

3 A Yes, sir.

4 Q Do you know whether—well, while he was away  
5 at school did Elizondo come back every once in a while  
6 to visit his family or his friends back in Benavides?

7 A I imagine so.

8 Q Did you ever see him around there?

9 A (No response.)

10 Q Did he come by the courthouse?

11 A I guess so. I don't know.

12 Q If he had come by the courthouse to do any  
13 extensive work for you or for the Judge, you would have  
14 known about that, would you not?

15 A Not really. He didn't do any work for me.

16 Q Okay. And you were the only one that handled  
17 the work for the Judge? You were his clerk.

18 A I handled what I had to do, what I was told  
19 to do.

20 Q Well, all work connected with the Judge's job  
21 as a judge. Correspondence, I think you told us?

22 A Yes, sir.

23 Q Besides correspondence, what else would he have  
24 to do that a clerk would handle?

25 A I know what I did. I don't know what else had

1 to be done.

2 Q I think you told Mr. Maloney earlier that  
3 usually be the end of the week you had caught up with  
4 all of your work. Is that correct? Is that what you  
5 told him?

6 A Yes, sir.

7 Q So that Saturday and Sunday there wouldn't be  
8 anything else for you or anybody else to do for the  
9 Judge?

10 A I did what I had to do.

11 Q Well, but you would have already finished it  
12 by Friday, would you not?

13 A What I had to do was finished. Yes.

14 Q So, what you had to do was finished so that  
15 you really wouldn't have to come back Saturday, for  
16 example, to finish up something that you needed to do?

17 A No, sir.

18 Q In other words, there wasn't any work left over  
19 Saturday or Sunday?

20 A Not for me.

21 Q During the time that you have been with the  
22 Judge, has he employed any other clerks besides you to  
23 do his work there in Duval?

24 A There have been people that have worked, like  
25 I say, in the past ten years, but offhand I couldn't even

1 say who or what they did. They would have been in and  
2 out.

3 Q During the time that Mr. Elizondo was away at  
4 school, do you know whether or not he had occasion to  
5 do work for the Judge there in connection with his  
6 judicial duties?

7 A I know that he helped him out but I don't know  
8 what he was doing.

9 Q You know that he helped him?

10 A Yes.

11 Q During the week, on weekends, or when?

12 A It had to be on weekends.

13 Q Well, do you know whether the work that he did  
14 for the Judge was private work or whether it was—

15 A That I wouldn't know.

16 Q Well, as clerk of the Judge, you all didn't  
17 discuss the nature of the work that was being done?

18 A No, sir.

19 Q Aside from correspondence, what other things  
20 did you see the Judge doing? Usually about all the  
21 things the judges do, I mean the pleadings and things,  
22 these are handled by the District Clerk or the corres-  
23 pondent that comes in from attorneys or stuff like this,  
24 the Judge's clerk usually handles that, which in this  
25 case would be you for Judge Carrillo.

1 A (The witness nodded.)

2 Q Normally there would not be anything for any-  
3 body else to do for the Judge.

4 A There is times when there is a lot of work.  
5 There is times when it's slow. It's not always the  
6 same.

7 Q But you took care—

8 A For ten years or four years. Most of the times  
9 I had my work done. There were times when I didn't.

10 Q I just want to limit my questioning concerning  
11 the time that the Judge has been a judge would be, what,  
12 January of '71?

13 A Yes, sir.

14 Q During that time you have been his only clerk.  
15 Would that be a correct statement to make?

16 A I was fulltime in the office. Yes.

17 Q That period would cover from January of '72  
18 through September of 1973, you were his only clerk?

19 A I believe so.

20 Q If the Judge had employed any other clerk to  
21 do work for him there at the courthouse in connection  
22 with his judicial duties, this is something you would  
23 have known, would you not?

24 A It's like I say, he doesn't tell me—

25 Q Well, but if some guy walks into the office to

1 do work for him you would know he was either employed by  
2 the Judge or he was over there stealing or spying on the  
3 Judge, wouldn't you?

4 A No, sir. When I was there—

5 Q —nobody else came in?

6 MR. DAVILA: Do you want to restate your  
7 question, Mr. Chavez?

8 BY MR. CHAVEZ

9 Q During the time that you were employed with  
10 the Judge, specifically from January 1, 1972, through  
11 September of 1973, you were employed by the Judge as  
12 his clerk?

13 A Yes, sir.

14 Q As his only clerk.

15 A I was there as a fulltime clerk.

16 Q During that time, did you see any other clerks  
17 working for the Judge?

18 A Did I see anybody?

19 Q You were there all the time, were you not?

20 A Yes, sir. People would come in and out of the  
21 office.

22 Q Well, to do work for the Judge. That's what  
23 I'm asking. I'm sure people walk into the Judge's office  
24 every day.

25 A Yes.

1 Q There is no question about that, but to do  
2 work for the Judge, as the Judge's clerk?

3 A I still don't understand the question itself.

4 Q Well, since you work for the Judge fulltime  
5 and were there all of the time, would you or would you  
6 not be in a position to know whether anybody else was  
7 working for the Judge?

8 A I will decline to answer that on the grounds  
9 it might tend to incriminate me. I don't understand  
10 the question.

11 Q At that time, who was the Judge's court re-  
12 porter? Elizondo?

13 A In '70—what was the year?

14 Q From January '72 through September of '73.

15 A I believe it was Jerry Parmer.

16 Q Jerry Barber?

17 A Parmer.

18 Q Parmer? P-a-r-m-e-r?

19 A Yes, sir.

20 Q So, during that time he was there, you were  
21 there working for the Judge. Who else worked for the  
22 Judge there?

23 A At that time Zenaida Mondemayor.

24 Q Okay. Who else?

25 A He had the bailiff, the interpreter.

- 1 Q Who was the bailiff?
- 2 A The bailiff was Thomas Elizondo.
- 3 Q Is he related to Roberto?
- 4 A I believe so.
- 5 Q Brothers?
- 6 A I believe so.
- 7 Q Who else?
- 8 A Israel Saenz, the court interpreter.
- 9 Q All right. Who else? Is she related to you?
- 10 A No, sir.
- 11 Q Who else?
- 12 A I think those were the only people on the
- 13 regular office payroll.
- 14 Q Are those all that you remember that worked
- 15 for the Judge during that time?
- 16 A Yes.
- 17 Q Knowing Elizondo like you knew him, if he had
- 18 been working for the Judge during that time you would
- 19 have know it?
- 20 A He would help him out, but I don't know—
- 21 Q But he was away at school then, you know.
- 22 A Yes, sir.
- 23 Q But you still think he helped him out?
- 24 A Yes, sir.
- 25 Q Now, this cost of living increase you got in



1 your salary here last month, was this put into effect by  
2 what is referred to as the "Tobin Court"? Who approved  
3 your salary increase?

4 A The new court.

5 Q The new court?

6 A Yes, sir.

7 Q This is Mr. Dan Tobin and these other people  
8 that have been appointed?

9 A That's correct.

10 Q Who recommended the salary increase?

11 A I asked the County Judge for a raise.

12 Q Mr. Tobin?

13 A Yes.

14 Q You had not asked Mr. Pharr for a raise before  
15 that?

16 A Several times.

17 Q And he had not declined to give you some, or  
18 had he given you small increases?

19 A No. He just "I'll let you know."

20 MR. CHAVEZ: That's all, Mr. Chairman.

21 MS. THOMPSON: Mr. Chairman, I would like  
22 to make a request of the Chair.

23 CHAIRMAN HALE: Yes, Ms. Thompson?

24 MS. THOMPSON: I reluctantly ask the Chair  
25 to do this, but I have noticed that this witness has

1 taken the Fifth Amendment on some of the questions that  
2 have been asked by some of the members that were pre-  
3 viously asked of him. I would like to ask the Chair,  
4 would he ask the witness whether or not he understands  
5 the magnitude or does he understand the question, and  
6 when he refuses to answer one person's question and turns  
7 around and answer the same question asked by another  
8 member of this Committee, is he being discriminatory, or  
9 does he just refuse to answer the question?

10 CHAIRMAN HALE: Well, Ms. Thompson, the  
11 Chair is reluctant to rule on whether he's being dis-  
12 criminatory or not.

13 MS. THOMPSON: I just wanted him to be  
14 consistent if he possibly can. If he's going to refuse  
15 one person and take the Fifth Amendment, it just seems  
16 logical that he would do the same thing if he is posed  
17 with the same question by another member.

18 CHAIRMAN HALE: The Chair would presume  
19 that the witness is trying to cooperate with the Com-  
20 mittee to the extent that he can without incriminating  
21 himself. Certainly we do not expect any witness to in-  
22 criminate himself before this Committee, and the Chair  
23 would certainly respect his right to take the Fifth  
24 Amendment on any question that is propounded to him. I  
25 think the fact that he takes the Fifth Amendment on some

1 certain questions doesn't preclude him from taking the  
2 Fifth Amendment on other questions, Ms. Thompson, and  
3 perhaps having taken the Fifth Amendment on one question,  
4 he might later reconsider and decide that perhaps that  
5 question does not incriminate him, and he might decide  
6 to answer it later.

7 Did you have any particular question in mind?

8 MS. THOMPSON: No. I just noticed that  
9 that was Thomas Elizondo who he did not know that he  
10 took the Fifth on and then there were other questions  
11 posed to him by not the same person that he answered.  
12 That's what raised my curiosity there.

13 CHAIRMAN HALE: Well, of course, the  
14 Chair is a little puzzled at him taking the Fifth on  
15 whether he knew any of these people or not. It's diffi-  
16 cult for me to see how that would incriminate him, the  
17 fact that he might know somebody, but that is his  
18 privilege as a witness.

19 BY CHAIRMAN HALE

20 Q Mr. Saenz, let the Chair ask you a few more  
21 questions if I may. I believe you stated in answer to  
22 questions from one member of the Committee that you on  
23 occasion make bank deposits for Judge Carrillo.

24 A Yes, sir.

25 Q The checks which you deposited, I believe you

1 testified, were checks drawn on the State of Texas by  
2 the State Comptroller?

3 A That's true.

4 Q Is that correct?

5 A Yes.

6 Q Have you ever deposited, made any other de-  
7 posits for Judge Carrillo that involved any type of  
8 income other than checks drawn on the State Comptroller  
9 of the State of Texas?

10 A I might have. I know at times. I make that  
11 deposit every month. When he gets his monthly check I  
12 mail it out.

13 Q About how much is that deposit each month? Do  
14 you recall, approximately?

15 A About \$1300.

16 Q Now, does Judge Carrillo draw any type of  
17 check monthly from Duval County, to your knowledge?

18 A I believe he gets a check for \$100.00.

19 Q Is that a travel allowance, ostensibly?

20 A No, sir. That's for a juvenile—

21 Q For Juvenile Board service?

22 A Yes, sir.

23 Q I noticed on one of the payroll summaries we  
24 have here that O. P. Carrillo is shown as drawing \$100.00.

25 A Yes, sir.

1 Q Are those checks payable to the Judge drawn  
2 on the County of Duval?

3 A Yes, sir.

4 Q And you include those in your deposits if he  
5 gives them to you?

6 A No, sir. I believe that check goes to the  
7 bank in San Diego. They just send it from the County  
8 to the bank.

9 Q Have you made deposits involving any other  
10 sources of income for Judge Carrillo?

11 A Cattle sales.

12 Q I'm sorry. I didn't hear you.

13 A Some cattle sales. I think I've taken some  
14 checks up there from South Texas Auction.

15 Q Oh, cattle sales. I see. Do you recall who  
16 those checks were from?

17 A South Texas Auction and Hebronville Auction.

18 Q Were any of them from the Duval County Ranch  
19 Company?

20 A No, sir.

21 Q Or Clinton Manges?

22 A No, sir.

23 Q Has the Judge, to your knowledge, ever re-  
24 ceived any checks from Clinton Manges?

25 A Not to my knowledge, sir.

1 Q Do you know what county fund that you are paid  
2 out of?

3 A Officer's salary fund, sir.

4 Q Officer's salary fund. Were you working for  
5 the Judge back in 1970?

6 A I was working, let's see, in '70, I believe  
7 with Judge Luna.

8 Q Did you work for Judge Carrillo at any time  
9 while he was a member of the Board of Trustees of the  
10 Benavides Independent School District?

11 A No, sir.

12 Q Had you worked for him at any time prior to  
13 that time?

14 A Well, I've worked for him since '64 until he  
15 resigned as County Attorney in '68, I believe, or '69,  
16 and then I was with Judge Luna until Judge Carrillo was  
17 elected, and I stayed in that same office.

18 Q Until Judge Carrillo was elected District Judge?

19 A Yes, sir.

20 Q And then you went back to work for Judge  
21 Carrillo?

22 A Yes, sir.

23 Q What is the telephone number in the Judge's  
24 office there in San Diego?

25 A 279-3957.

1 Q Who uses the telephone there in the Judge's  
2 office? Who is authorized to use it for the purpose of  
3 making long-distance telephone calls, if you know?

4 A Well, anybody that works there, I imagine.

5 Q Do you make long-distance telephone calls on  
6 the Judge's telephone?

7 A Yes, sir.

8 Q Does the Judge make long-distance calls on  
9 the telephone, I presume?

10 A Long-distance. Yes, sir.

11 Q Does anyone else make long-distance telephone  
12 calls on that telephone?

13 A Not that I know of.

14 Q Do you place long-distance telephone calls for  
15 the Judge at times? In other words, does he ask you,  
16 say, "Please get Mr. John Doe on the telephone for me;  
17 John Doe in San Antonio" and you place the call and get  
18 him on the phone and then tell the Judge, "Mr. Doe is on  
19 the telephone?"

20 A There have been times. Yes, sir.

21 Q Have you placed any such calls to Mr. Clinton  
22 Manges on behalf of the Judge?

23 A No, sir.

24 Q Have you placed any calls to Mr. Fred Pilon  
25 on behalf of the Judge?

1 A No, sir.

2 Q Have you ever made any telephone calls from  
3 the Judge's office telephone there to either Mr. Fred  
4 Pilon or Mr. Clinton Manges?

5 A No, sir.

6 Q Do you know of anyone else who has made tele-  
7 phone calls to either of those two gentlemen from the  
8 Judge's office telephone?

9 A No, sir. I don't know.

10 Q Does the District Attorney use the Judge's  
11 office telephone for long-distance telephone calls?

12 A I really don't know, sir.

13 Q You don't know.

14 A He's not in the office too much.

15 Q Do you know what the telephone numbers for  
16 Mr. Clinton Manges are?

17 A No, sir.

18 Q Do you have a list finder or a little private  
19 telephone directory for your own use in which you have  
20 recorded the telephone numbers of Mr. Clinton Manges?

21 A No, sir.

22 Q Or Mr. Fred Pilon?

23 A No, sir.

24 Q Does the Judge have more than one telephone  
25 in his office?



1 A Yes. There are two phones.

2 Q You gave the number of one of them as 3957.  
3 What is the number of the other one?

4 A It's 279-3829.

5 Q I'm sorry. Would you give me that again?

6 A 279-3829.

7 Q 3829. And the other one is 279-3957?

8 A That's correct.

9 Q Are both of those numbers listed numbers? Do  
10 you know what a listed number is?

11 A Yes, sir.

12 Q As opposed to an unlisted number?

13 A Yes, sir.

14 Q Are both of those listed numbers for the Judge?

15 A I really don't know, sir.

16 Q Are there two separate telephone instruments?

17 A Yes, sir.

18 Q One for each line?

19 A Yes, sir.

20 Q So that if you were using the phone that showed  
21 3957 on it, you could not punch a button and also use  
22 line 3829?

23 A No, sir.

24 Q You would have to use a different telephone  
25 instrument?

1 A Yes.

2 Q Is that correct?

3 A That's correct.

4 Q Are both of those instruments on the Judge's  
5 desk?

6 A Yes, sir.

7 Q Are there any extensions from either of those  
8 two phones?

9 A Yes, sir.

10 Q So that there is an instrument somewhere else?

11 A Yes, sir. There is a phone in the front office.

12 Q On both lines?

13 A Yes, sir.

14 Q Any other extensions?

15 A There are three different offices in our  
16 office, so there are three different phones.

17 Q There are three instruments on each line?

18 A Yes, sir.

19 Q One in the Judge's private office, one in the  
20 reception room?

21 A Yes.

22 Q Where is the third one?

23 A In the court reporter's room.

24 Q In the court reporter's. Does the court re-  
25 porter use those two lines for long-distance telephone

1 calls?

2 A Not that I know of.

3 Q Do you know whether or not Judge Carrillo  
4 placed a number of long-distance telephone calls to  
5 Mr. Clinton Manges in February—January, February and  
6 March of 1975?

7 A No, sir.

8 Q Do you know if Judge Carrillo placed a number  
9 of long-distance telephone calls to Mr. Fred Pilon in  
10 January, February and March of 1975?

11 A No, sir.

12 CHAIRMAN HALE: Are there other questions  
13 of this witness?

14 Ms. Thompson?

15 BY MS. THOMPSON

16 Q Mr. Saenz, are you related to Victor Saenz,  
17 Diego Saenz and Jose Saenz?

18 A No, ma'am.

19 MS. THOMPSON: Thank you.

20 CHAIRMAN HALE: Mr. Kaster?

21 BY MR. KASTER

22 Q Mr. Saenz, I believe you said that you were  
23 the Judge's campaign manager for the last campaign for  
24 what, District Judge?

25 A Yes, sir.

1 Q As such, did you have to file those campaign  
2 reports that campaign managers had to?

3 A Yes, sir.

4 Q Where did you file those?

5 A I think the Secretary of State. I'm not sure.

6 Q Here in Austin?

7 A Yes, sir.

8 Q Do you know if there were campaign contributions  
9 from Clinton Manges?

10 A No, sir.

11 Q What about Morris Ashby?

12 A No, sir. There were none at all.

13 Q There were no campaign contributions received,  
14 period?

15 A No, sir.

16 Q How much did he spend—

17 A And the filing fee was the only expenditure on  
18 it.

19 Q That's it?

20 A Yes, sir.

21 Q That's the kind I would like to have.

22 Were you in the courthouse on March the 19th  
23 of this year when there was some trouble around the  
24 courthouse? Which is the day before the orders were  
25 issued on the removal of the School Board?

1 A Yes, sir.

2 Q Were you there on the afternoon of the 19th?

3 A Yes, sir.

4 Q Were you in the courthouse?

5 A Yes, sir.

6 Q It has been stated that some people thought  
7 that George Pharr had a gun and was going to kill the  
8 Judge. Are you aware of that?

9 A I didn't see a gun, but he did say he was  
10 going to kill him.

11 Q Did you hear him say it?

12 A Yes, sir.

13 Q Was it in anger or was it in—

14 A Yes, sir. He was mad.

15 Q Where is his office in relation to his? Where  
16 did you hear him say it?

17 A In our office.

18 Q He was in your office?

19 A That's correct.

20 Q Which your office is near the Judge's chambers?

21 A Well, they are connected.

22 Q Did you see a gun?

23 A No, sir. I didn't see a gun.

24 Q Was he walking around from office to office  
25 looking for Carrillo, or what was he doing?

1           A     He just walked in our office and told the  
2     secretary to get ahold of the Judge because he was  
3     going to kill him. The he walked out. (Laughter.)

4           Q     He told the secretary to call the Judge up  
5     and tell him he was going to kill him?

6           A     (The witness nodded.)

7           Q     Who was the secretary? You mean the reception-  
8     ist?

9           A     The receptionist. Yes.

10          Q     Did she call the Judge?

11          A     Yes, she did, but she couldn't find him.

12          Q     What time of day was this?

13          A     Around three o'clock.

14          Q     Around three o'clock?

15          A     Yes, sir.

16          Q     I don't want to cast any allegations, but was  
17     he sober?

18          A     I don't think the man drank.

19          Q     He didn't drink?

20          A     No, sir.

21          Q     Do you know why he wanted to kill the Judge?

22          A     No, sir.

23          Q     He didn't say?

24          A     No, sir.

25          Q     He didn't give any reason?

1 A No, sir.

2 Q Were there any rumors why he wanted to?

3 A No.

4 Q Nobody knew why he was mad at Judge Carrillo?

5 A (The witness shook his head.)

6 Q Had he expressed anger before?

7 A No, sir.

8 Q So, he just walked in at 3:00 o'clock one day  
9 and said to the secretary, "Please call the Judge up and  
10 have him come down. I want to kill him."

11 A He didn't say, "please."

12 Q Pardon?

13 A He didn't say, "please." He just said, "get  
14 him."

15 Q Were there a lot of people standing around then?

16 A There were about three of us in the room when  
17 he said it.

18 Q After this did a crowd gather?

19 A Yes, there were people in there.

20 Q After he said this, where did he go? Did he go  
21 back to where he—does he have an office in the same  
22 building?

23 A No, sir. He doesn't have an office. He went  
24 and stood in front of the courthouse.

25 Q Mr. Parr went and stood in front of the courthouse

1 waiting for the Judge?

2 A Yes.

3 Q Then inside was there calm or was there  
4 agitation, or—

5 A You could hear a pin drop.

6 Q Did you see anybody else carry a gun?

7 A No, sir.

8 Q Now the next day, March 20th, did you see people  
9 carrying guns?

10 A I can't say.

11 Q Did anybody try and calm Mr. Parr down or not?

12 A Yes, sir. His nephew came by; Mr. Meek talked  
13 to him, the county auditor, and Alanice talked to him.

14 Q Did Mr. Manges talk to him?

15 A I didn't see Mr. Manges. I don't know.

16 MR. KASTER: I believe that's all.

17 CHAIRMAN HALE: Any further questions?

18 Mr. Maloney?

19 BY MR. MALONEY

20 Q Mr. Saenz, who besides your attorney have you  
21 discussed your testimony with today?

22 A Just him.

23 Q You have not discussed the fact that you have  
24 been subpoenaed before this Committee with anyone else  
25 but your attorney?



1 A That's correct.

2 Q You mentioned that a Mr. O. D. Kirkland had  
3 discussed the Judge's financial statement with you two  
4 to three weeks ago. Is that correct?

5 A Yes.

6 Q What was the reason for his discussing this  
7 financial statement with you?

8 A Because he wanted to know where that had come  
9 from, so I called Mr. Kirkland to find out. Mr. Kirk-  
10 land said he had made a mistake and he would see that it  
11 was corrected.

12 Q Who is Mr. Kirkland?

13 A He is a CPA in Alice, Texas.

14 Q Why would you call him in regard to the Judge's  
15 financial statement?

16 A Because I had to check before finishing this  
17 financial statement, being he's a CPA, what the Judge had  
18 made the year before and all that.

19 Q Is he the Judge's accountant?

20 A Yes, sir.

21 Q How long has he been the Judge's accountant?

22 A I don't know, sir. Several years.

23 Q Do you know Mr. Arturo Zertuche?

24 A Yes, sir.

25 Q Do you know whether Mr. Kirkland is also

1 Mr. Zertuche's accountant?

2 A No, sir. I don't.

3 Q You just don't know that?

4 A No, sir.

5 Q Where is Judge Carrillo's bank account that  
6 you deposited these checks in?

7 A The Bank of South Texas, Alice, Texas.

8 Q The Bank of South Texas in Alice?

9 A Yes, sir.

10 Q Do you know an Octavio Saenz?

11 A Yes, sir.

12 Q Who is that?

13 A He is the Mayor of Benavides.

14 Q The Mayor of what?

15 A Benavides, Texas.

16 Q Are you any relation to him?

17 A No, sir.

18 Q What is the name of this receptionist that is  
19 employed by the Judge in his office?

20 A Now?

21 Q All right. Let's have the one now.

22 A Matilda Izaguirre.

23 Q How long has she worked for the Judge?

24 A About a month, six weeks.

25 Q Who was the receptionist previous to her?

1 A Sanida Montemaior.

2 Q That's the name that you gave previously?

3 A Yes, sir.

4 Q Has the Judge hired any new bailiffs recently?

5 A Yes, sir. He hired two.

6 Q When did he hire them?

7 A It's been about two or three months ago.

8 Q It has been about March 19th, or 20th? Some-  
9 where in that area?

10 A I'm not sure.

11 Q What are their names?

12 A Adalio Viones and Noe Gonzalez.

13 Q Do you know Ramiro Carrillo?

14 A Yes, sir.

15 Q Have you ever notarized any document at his  
16 direction?

17 A No, sir.

18 Q To make my question clear, I don't mean notarize  
19 his signature, but notarized a document that he told you  
20 to notarize?

21 A No, sir.

22 MR. MALONEY: That's all I have.

23 CHAIRMAN HALE: Mr. Kaster?

24 BY MR. KASTER

25 Q Mr. Saenz, on that financial statement that

1 was filed, that now Mr. Kirkland says there is a mistake  
2 on.

3 A Yes, sir.

4 Q Did Judge Carrillo sign that before you sent  
5 it in?

6 A Yes, sir.

7 Q I assume he read it then and he knew what was  
8 on there?

9 A I don't believe he did. He just thought it was  
10 in order. I believe. I mean, I don't know, but I don't  
11 believe he read it.

12 Q As a District Judge, I assume he knows the law  
13 and being an attorney, I would assume that— I'm not an  
14 attorney so I could be excused if I signed something I  
15 don't know what's in it, but as a Judge I would assume  
16 he would know what's in an instrument that he's signing.

17 A Well, no, sir. I couldn't answer for him.

18 Q He didn't make any remarks about a mistake  
19 being made in it at the time that he signed it?

20 A No, sir.

21 Q What about the one this year? Did he sign the  
22 one this year?

23 A Yes, sir.

24 Q Did he read that one?

25 A I really don't know.

1 MR. KASTER: No questions. That's all.

2 CHAIRMAN HALE: Are there further questions  
3 of this witness?

4 Mr. Saenz, thank you for your appearance here  
5 today and Mr. Davila, we are happy to have you here, too.

6 MR. DAVILA: Thank you, Mr. Hale.

7 CHAIRMAN HALE: Mr. Saenz, you are under  
8 subpoena to the Committee. That subpoena remains in  
9 effect. However, the Chair will advise you that you are  
10 free to go home and go about your business subject to  
11 recall if we need you for anything else. We will notify  
12 you; unless you hear from us further you are free to go  
13 about your business.

14 MR. DAVILA: Thank you, Mr. Hale.

15 (The witness, Jose Saenz, was excused.)

16 CHAIRMAN HALE: Mr. Rogelio Sanches?  
17 Mr. Sanches, do you understand English?

18 MR. SANCHES: A little.

19 CHAIRMAN HALE: Do you think that you need  
20 an interpreter?

21 MR. SANCHES: Well, I think it would be  
22 better.

23 CHAIRMAN HALE: All right. We have an  
24 interpreter here. Edna, would you sit over here and if  
25 he needs any interpretation you give it.

1 CHAIRMAN HALE: Mr. Sanches, I shall read  
2 a warning to you in English and our interpreter will also  
3 read it to you in Spanish so that you will have it both  
4 ways.

5 It's my duty as Chairman to advise you of your  
6 rights with reference to your testimony. You will be  
7 sworn to tell the truth and your failure to do so could  
8 subject you to a prosecution for perjury. After you have  
9 completed your statement, members of the Committee may  
10 ask questions concerning your testimony. You must answer  
11 these questions truthfully and your refusal to do so  
12 could subject you to punishment for contempt. You can  
13 refuse to answer questions only on the ground that such  
14 answers might incriminate you or tend to incriminate you  
15 in some way. You are privileged to have an attorney of  
16 your selection sit with and advise you as to your answers  
17 if you desire. The Chair will attempt to protect your  
18 rights at all times.

19 Would you read it to him in Espanole, please?

20 (The above statement was read in Spanish to  
21 the witness by the interpreter, Ms. Edna Ramon.)

22 CHAIRMAN HALE: Do you understand the  
23 advice that I have given you?

24 MR. SANCHES: Yes, sir.

25 CHAIRMAN HALE: Are you ready to testify?

1 MR. SANCHES: Yes, sir.

2 CHAIRMAN HALE: Would you stand and raise:  
3 your right hand.

4 (The Chairman administered the oath to the  
5 witness.)

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7 (The following testimony was presented through  
8 interpretation through Ms. Edna Ramon and is designated  
9 by "A(I)".)

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11 MR. ROGELIO SANCHES

12 was called as a witness by the Committee and, having been  
13 duly sworn, testified as follows:

14 DIRECT EXAMINATION

15 BY CHAIRMAN HALE

16 Q You apparently understand some English fairly  
17 well.

18 A Yes, sir.

19 Q Supposing we proceed in English, and if you do  
20 not understand anything would you ask the interpreter to  
21 explain it to you in Spanish?

22 A Okay.

23 Q Would that be satisfactory?

24 A Yes, sir.

25 Q The Chair advises you now, don't answer any

1 question unless you understand it. If you don't under-  
2 stand it, ask her to explain it to you in Spanish. Do  
3 you understand me?

4 A Yes, sir.

5 Q Maybe you should tell him that in Spanish, to  
6 be sure.

7 A I understand it all right.

8 Q Would you please state your name and your  
9 mailing address, please?

10 A Rogelio Sanches, Benavides, Texas.

11 Q How long have you lived in Benavides?

12 A All of my life.

13 Q Where are you employed?

14 A With the County.

15 Q Duval County?

16 A Yes, sir.

17 Q In what capacity are you employed by Duval  
18 County?

19 A I guess heavy equipment operator.

20 Q You are employed as a heavy equipment operator?

21 A Yes, sir.

22 Q How much are you paid for your services as a  
23 heavy equipment operator?

24 A Now?

25 Q Yes.



1           A     I guess \$365.00. \$360.00. Somewhere about  
2     there.

3           Q     I have here some payroll records, copies of  
4     payroll records from Duval County, and there are several  
5     entries on here with the name "Rogelio Sanches" indicat-  
6     ing a payment of \$375.00 per month. Would that be  
7     accurate?

8           A     Well, I guess. By the time I get the check,  
9     they take income and insurance and all, I guess that  
10    would be.

11          Q     That would be approximately correct.

12          A     (The witness nodded.)

13          Q     Have you been drawing the same amount of money  
14    for a number of months?

15          A     Yes.

16          Q     Have you received an increase in your salary  
17    recently?

18          A(I) Yes, he has.

19          Q     How much increase have you recently received?

20          A(I) He started at \$200.00.

21          Q     When were you raised to \$375.00?

22          A(I) He doesn't have an idea. He said, "I don't  
23    have an idea."

24                    CHAIRMAN HALE: If you would, when he  
25    gives an answer in Spanish, you say the same thing except

1 say it in English, if you would, please.

2 BY CHAIRMAN HALE

3 Q What work do you do for the County of Duval as  
4 a heavy equipment operator?

5 A What do I use?

6 Q (Interpreted.)

7 A(I) Trucks, loaders. Stuff like that. Heavy stuff.

8 Q Do you operate bulldozers?

9 A No.

10 Q Graders?

11 A No.

12 Q Back hoes?

13 A No.

14 Q Do you consider trucks as heavy equipment?

15 A They are always carrying heavy loads.

16 Q Have you done any work with any of this equip-  
17 ment other than for Duval County?

18 A No, sir.

19 Q Have you done any work at the ranch of Judge  
20 Carrillo?

21 A Yes, sir.

22 Q What type of work do you do on Judge Carrillo's  
23 ranch?

24 A During round-ups.

25 Q What type of work do you do there?

1 A Working cattle.

2 Q Do you use any heavy equipment when you work on  
3 Judge Carrillo's ranch?

4 A No, sir.

5 Q Has any of the equipment belonging to Duval  
6 County been used on Judge Carrillo's ranch, to your  
7 knowledge?

8 A I wouldn't know.

9 Q Have you ever gone to Judge Carrillo's ranch  
10 in equipment, trucks, or other vehicles which belong to  
11 the County of Duval?

12 A Not that I remember.

13 Q How do you go from where you live to Judge  
14 Carrillo's ranch when you do go out there?

15 A Well, in his truck. He takes us, or whatever  
16 means we have got to go.

17 Q When you say "his truck", Judge Carrillo's  
18 truck?

19 A Yes, sir.

20 Q Does that truck belong to Judge Carrillo or  
21 does it belong to Duval County?

22 A I wouldn't know.

23 Q You wouldn't know?

24 A (The witness shook his head.)

25 Q Have you ever seen any trucks, or other heavy

1 equipment on Judge Carrillo's ranch—

2 A No, sir.

3 Q —that belongs to Duval County?

4 A No, sir.

5 CHAIRMAN HALE: Mr. Maloney?

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1 BY MR. MALONEY:

2 Q Mr. Sanchez, you said that you have done some  
3 work on Judge O. P. Carrillo's ranch.

4 A Yes, sir.

5 Q Is that correct?

6 A (The witness nodded.)

7 Q Why have you worked on Judge O. P. Carrillo's  
8 ranch?

9 A(I) On my days off.

10 Q Who told you to work on Judge Carrillo's ranch?

11 A Nobody. Just a roundup.

12 Q How did you know to go there?

13 A Everybody knows around there when he's going to  
14 have a roundup.

15 Q I'm sorry. I did not hear the answer.

16 MS. RAMON: He said, "Everybody knows when  
17 he's going to have a roundup.

18 Q Why would you work on Judge Carrillo's ranch  
19 just because he's having a roundup?

20 A Because I like to ride horses. I like to work  
21 cattle.

22 Q Are you paid anything for your services?

23 A Yes, sir.

24 Q Who pays you?

25 A O. P.

1 Q How does he pay you?

2 A Sometimes by check, sometimes cash.

3 Q He has given you checks for your work?

4 A Yes, sir.

5 Q When was the last time he gave you a check?

6 A About a month ago.

7 Q What did you do with the check?

8 A I cashed it.

9 Q Where did you cash it?

10 A I wouldn't know. My wife cashed it for me.

11 Q Was this a check drawn on his personal account?

12 A I guess.

13 Q Do you recall whether it was a paper check or  
14 a cardboard check?

15 A A paper check.

16 Q How much was it for?

17 A Thirty dollars.

18 Q Thirty dollars?

19 A Yes, sir.

20 Q When you work in his roundup, do you eat while  
21 you're working on the roundup?

22 A Yes, sir.

23 Q Who supplies the food?

24 A He does.

25 Q Do you pay him anything for the food?

1 A No, sir.

2 Q Have you done anything on his ranch besides  
3 working cattle?

4 A No, sir.

5 Q Do you know Roberto Elizondo?

6 A Yes, sir.

7 Q Do you know Tomas Elizondo?

8 A Yes, sir.

9 Q Do you know Patricio Garza?

10 A Yes, sir.

11 Q Do you know whether or not they work on the  
12 Judge's ranch?

13 A On weekends they do.

14 Q Have you ever worked on the ranch at any other  
15 time than on a weekend?

16 A On my vacations.

17 Q On your vacations?

18 A Yes, sir.

19 Q When was your last vacation?

20 A When I worked with him?

21 Q Yes.

22 A Must have been about three years ago.

23 Q Three years ago?

24 A Two years ago.

25 Q Two years ago. Were you paid?

1 A Yes, sir.

2 Q Do you recall whether you were paid in cash  
3 or by check?

4 A It was cash.

5 Q How much were you paid?

6 A It was ten dollars.

7 Q How long did you work for him during your  
8 vacation?

9 A Just one day.

10 Q Just one day?

11 A Yes.

12 Q And you received ten dollars?

13 A Yes, sir.

14 Q Have you worked on anyone else's ranch?

15 A Yes, sir. Yes, sir.

16 Q Whose ranch was that?

17 A The Judge's father.

18 Q The Judge's father?

19 A Yes, sir.

20 Q Would that be D. C. Chapa?

21 A D. C. Chapa.

22 Q When did you work on his ranch?

23 A The latest?

24 Q The latest.

25 A That would be a little over a month.



1 Q Was that on a weekend also?

2 A Yes, sir.

3 Q Were you paid for that?

4 A Yes, sir.

5 Q How were you paid for that?

6 A Check.

7 Q By a check?

8 A Yes, sir.

9 Q A check from Mr. Chapa?

10 A Yes, sir.

11 Q Do you recall what you did with that check?

12 A Well, cashed it, but not personally. My wife  
13 does it for me.

14 Q How much was that check for?

15 A Thirty dollars.

16 Q Have you worked on anyone else's ranch other  
17 than the two you have told us about?

18 A Ramiro Carrillo.

19 Q Ramiro Carrillo?

20 A Yes.

21 Q This would be the county commissioner?

22 A Yes, sir.

23 Q The Judge's brother?

24 A Yes.

25 Q When is the last time you worked on his ranch?

1 A That was about a week ago.

2 Q Was that on the weekend or a week day?

3 A On the weekend.

4 Q Were you paid for that?

5 A Yes, sir.

6 Q Who paid you?

7 A He did.

8 Q How did he pay you?

9 A Cash.

10 Q How much did he pay you?

11 A Ten dollars.

12 Q Have you had any weekends to yourself in the  
13 past couple of years?

14 A Yes, sir.

15 Q Do you know Oscar Sanchez?

16 A Yes, sir.

17 Q Who is he?

18 A He's my brother.

19 Q Does Oscar Sanchez work on the ranch, on any  
20 of these ranches you've told us about?

21 A Not lately.

22 Q When would be the last time you know that he  
23 worked on one of these ranches?

24 A Oh, I would say about three years ago or more.

25 Q Have you ever worked on Judge Carrillo's ranch

1 at any time that Oscar was working on Judge Carrillo's  
2 ranch?

3 A No, sir.

4 Q Would Oscar Carrillo be mistaken if he has  
5 testified before this Committee that he saw you using  
6 county equipment on Judge Carrillo's ranch?

7 A Oscar Carrillo?

8 Q No. Oscar Sanchez. If he testified before  
9 this Committee would he be mistaken if he had told us  
10 that he saw you using county equipment on Judge Carrillo's  
11 ranch?

12 A Well, I guess. I wouldn't know.

13 Q Well, you either did or did not use county  
14 equipment on the ranch.

15 A Not that I remember of.

16 Q Have you ever hauled heavy equipment to the  
17 ranch?

18 A No.

19 Q Have you ever worked on Mr. Clinton Manges'  
20 ranch?

21 A No.

22 MR. MALONEY: Thank you.

23 CHAIRMAN HALE: Mr. Slack.

24 BY MR. SLACK:

25 Q Mr. Sanchez, on an average month how many days

1 will you work on a ranch, either the Judge's ranch or  
2 his father's ranch or his brother's ranch? How many days  
3 each month did you work?

4 A Usually it's about a weekend every three or  
5 six months, with each one of them, or around that. They  
6 have a roundup at least every three or six months.

7 Q Every three to six months?

8 A Yes.

9 Q How many days will that amount to? On an  
10 average year how many days will you do ranch work on a  
11 ranch?

12 A Well, I don't know.

13 Q Well, five days, ten days, thirty days? You  
14 don't have to be exact, but just approximately. Thirty  
15 days, would you spend of a year working on a ranch, or  
16 sixty days?

17 MS. RAMON: Do you mean all three ranches?

18 Q Through the whole year how many days will he  
19 spend doing ranch work?

20 A(I) I don't have an idea. Sometimes I go— I go  
21 sometimes.

22 Q He doesn't know? Is that what you're saying?

23 A(I) I don't know.

24 Q How much of your income is from county? How  
25 much of your income is supplemented by ranch work? Do

1 you get a hundred dollars or a thousand dollars or five  
2 hundred dollars? How much would you get at the end of  
3 the year from ranch work, other than your income from  
4 the county?

5 A I would say about a hundred. A hundred and  
6 something.

7 Q What did he say?

8 MS. RAMON: He said a hundred, a hundred  
9 and some.

10 A I couldn't tell right off.

11 Q You get approximately a hundred dollars, you  
12 think, maybe, more or less?

13 A (The witness nodded.)

14 Q But you don't remember how many days that  
15 would be out of a year, say, or a week, or a month?

16 A (No response.)

17 Q You just don't know?

18 A No.

19 MR. SLACK: Thank you, sir.

20 CHAIRMAN HALE: Mr. Kaster.

21 BY MR. KASTER:

22 Q Mr. Sanchez, these various ranches you go to,  
23 who is the foreman at the Ramiro Carrillo ranch?

24 A He usually.

25 Q He's the foreman?

1 A He usually gives orders.

2 Q Mr. Carrillo does?

3 A Yes, sir.

4 Q That is Ramiro Carrillo?

5 A Yes, sir.

6 Q What about Mr. D. C. Chapa's ranch? Who is the  
7 foreman?

8 A Well, he's got all his nephews giving orders  
9 so you can't tell who the foreman is.

10 Q What about at Judge Carrillo's ranch?

11 A He gives orders.

12 Q He gives orders?

13 A Yes.

14 Q The Judge himself?

15 A Yes.

16 Q Who runs the ranch when he's not there?

17 A I don't know.

18 Q Do you know who the permanent employees are  
19 at the ranch? If you go out there you know who works  
20 out there all the time because you're just helping them.

21 A (The witness nodded.)

22 Q Who are some of the permanent employees out  
23 there? How many are there?

24 A Permanent, I wouldn't know. I just know who  
25 goes on the weekends, along with me, if that's what you

1 mean.

2 Q Yes. But when you go to a ranch you don't  
3 know who is the permanent employees that work there all  
4 the time?

5 A No, sir.

6 Q How often have you gone to this ranch in the  
7 past year?

8 A The past year?

9 Q Yes.

10 A About three times.

11 Q Three times?

12 A (The witness nodded.)

13 Q When was the last time?

14 A About a month ago. On O. P.'s?

15 Q Yes.

16 A About a month ago.

17 Q You don't know if there are any permanent  
18 employees or not?

19 A I wouldn't know, sir.

20 Q How many people were out there when you were  
21 out there a month ago?

22 A Oh, at least fourteen, fifteen.

23 Q Fourteen or fifteen?

24 A (The witness nodded.)

25 Q Do you know any of the people that went out

1 there, the fourteen or fifteen?

2 A Yes.

3 Q Do you know them all?

4 A Yes. I know most of them.

5 Q Do you know what they do for a living?

6 A No, sir.

7 Q Had they ever been there before?

8 A Yes.

9 Q Do you know if they're just helping out part  
10 time?

11 A Yes, sir. I guess part time.

12 Q Can you give me some of their names that work  
13 out there? I mean, that were out there a month ago,  
14 the fourteen or fifteen. Can you remember some of them?

15 A Yes. There was Bobby Carrillo, his nephew.

16 Q Who was it?

17 A Bobby. It's Ramiro Carrillo, Jr. That is his  
18 nephew. And V. A. Gavito. That's his nephew.

19 Q Was Patricio Garza there?

20 A Patricio Garza was the cook.

21 Q Has Patricio Garza been there cooking every  
22 time you go out there?

23 A He's the cook.

24 Q On these other occasions you've been out there  
25 he's the cook?



- 1 A Yes.
- 2 Q So he's been there most of the time?
- 3 A Yes, sir.
- 4 Q What about Apolinar Delacruz?
- 5 A Who?
- 6 Q Apolinar Delacruz. Was he there?
- 7 A No.
- 8 Q What about Jose Salazar?
- 9 A No.
- 10 Q Diego Saenz?
- 11 A (The witness shook his head.)
- 12 Q Domingo Campos?
- 13 A I don't even know who he is.
- 14 Q Andres Villarreal?
- 15 A No.
- 16 Q Gustavo Bustamente?
- 17 A No.
- 18 Q Diego Pena?
- 19 A No.
- 20 Q Eutemio Fernandez?
- 21 A No.
- 22 Q Ernesto Benavides?
- 23 A Well, there are some people I wouldn't know who  
24 they are.
- 25 Q Do you know any of these people?

1 A No.

2 Q Who do you work for?

3 A For the county.

4 Q What precinct?

5 A Three.

6 Q Three?

7 A I think it was the first three you said.

8 Those are the ones that work with me.

9 Q They work with you?

10 A Yes. On the county. Those are the ones I  
11 know. The rest, I wouldn't know who they are.

12 Q Those three weren't out there at the ranch?

13 A No.

14 Q What about Raul P. Carrillo?

15 A No.

16 Q Andres Carrillo?

17 A No.

18 Q Tomas Elizondo?

19 A Yes. He was there.

20 Q He was there at the ranch?

21 A Yes.

22 Q And of course you were out there at the ranch?

23 A Yes.

24 Q Carlos Herrera?

25 A No, sir.

1 Q Jesus Salinas?  
2 A No.  
3 Q Conrado Garza?  
4 A No.  
5 Q Do you know these people?  
6 A Yes.  
7 Q Do they all work for the county?  
8 A Some of them you mentioned.  
9 Q Everyone of them work for precinct three.  
10 What about Deodato Ruiz?  
11 A No.  
12 Q Rodolfo Perez?  
13 A No.  
14 Q Vicente Chapa?  
15 A No.  
16 Q Fernando Caballero?  
17 A No.  
18 Q H. A. Benavides?  
19 A No.  
20 Q Do you know any of those people?  
21 A Some of them. Some of the people. Yes.  
22 Q Do they work for the county?  
23 A I wouldn't know that.  
24 Q Well, that's four people, and yourself is  
25 five of the fourteen. You don't remember any of the

1 others?

2 A (Response unintelligible.)

3 Q What does Patricio Garza do for a living?

4 A I wouldn't know that. I've seen him at round-  
5 ups is about the only time I've seen him.

6 Q You haven't seen him working around the county  
7 there?

8 A No.

9 MR. KASTER: That's all.

10 CHAIRMAN HALE: Mr. Laney?

11 MR. LANEY: I pass.

12 CHAIRMAN HALE: Ms. Thompson?

13 (No response.)

14 She must be temporarily absent.

15 Ms. Weddington?

16 BY MS. WEDDINGTON:

17 Q Have you ever driven a truck on the Judge's  
18 ranch?

19 A Yes, ma'am.

20 Q What kind of truck was it?

21 A A pickup truck.

22 Q What kind of pickup truck?

23 A It's a Ford. A Ford truck.

24 Q Do you know what year it is or what model?

25 A It's a Ford crew cab but I wouldn't know what

1 year it is.

2 Q Have you driven other equipment than that  
3 truck?

4 A That belonged to the Judge?

5 Q No. Just that was on the ranch.

6 A His nephew's truck.

7 Q Okay. Anything else?

8 A I guess not.

9 Q Have you ever driven any kind of road grader  
10 on the ranch?

11 A No, ma'am.

12 Q Have you ever driven any other kind of heavy  
13 equipment on the ranch?

14 A No, ma'am.

15 Q Who owns that Ford pickup?

16 A I guess O. P. The Judge.

17 Q Do you know what the license number on it is?

18 A No, ma'am.

19 Q Do you know for sure that it's his pickup?

20 A No.

21 Q Have you ever seen him drive it any other place?

22 A No.

23 Q Have you ever seen anybody else driving it?

24 A Yes.

25 Q Who else drives it?

1 A Me, and his nephews. Tomas.

2 Q Okay. Now, you said that you had gotten about  
3 a hundred dollars from working on the ranches in the last  
4 year. Is that right?

5 A More or less.

6 Q You said you got thirty dollars for working for  
7 O. P. about a month ago. Is that correct?

8 A Yes.

9 Q And you got about thirty dollars for working  
10 for Ramiro Carrillo—

11 A No.

12 Q No? Okay. Thirty dollars for the Judge. Was  
13 there someone else that paid you thirty dollars?

14 A D. C. Chapa.

15 Q Okay. And D. C. Chapa paid you thirty dollars,  
16 and then Ramiro Carrillo paid you ten dollars.

17 A Yes.

18 Q So that's seventy dollars. And you worked for  
19 each of them about every three to six months?

20 A They have a roundup every three to six months.

21 Q And you work for them every time they have a  
22 roundup?

23 A No. No, sometimes I don't go. Sometimes I  
24 don't have time to go with them and sometimes I do.

25 Q Have you ever hauled any grain?

1 A Yes, ma'am.

2 Q Who have you hauled it for?

3 A That's A and R.

4 Q A and R?

5 A A and R Carrillo.

6 O Who is that?

7 A It's Arnolde and Ramiro Carrillo, Jr.

8 Q Is that a company?

9 A Well, I guess. I wouldn't know.

10 Q How often have you hauled grain for them?

11 A Well, I wouldn't know.

12 Q Every year during grain season, do you usually  
13 do so?

14 A Yes.

15 Q Do you go to a ranch and pick up the grain  
16 there and then take it somewhere?

17 A Yes, ma'am.

18 O And where do you take the grain?

19 A To Alice. Alice Elevator.

20 Q And from whose ranches have you picked that up  
21 in the—say, during the last season?

22 A Last year?

23 Q Yes.

24 A Well, I don't know most of the people.

25 Q Okay. Who do you know that you went to their

1 ranch and picked up grain and took it to Alice Elevator?

2 A I don't remember.

3 O You don't remember any person that you know that  
4 you went to their ranch and picked up—

5 A And hauled the grain for them?

6 O Yes.

7 A No, ma'am.

8 O Did you go to O. P. Carrillo's ranch and pick  
9 up some grain and take it to Alice?

10 A No, ma'am.

11 O Whose trucks were you using when you went and  
12 picked up the grain?

13 A I don't know who it belonged to. I think it is  
14 Ramiro Carrillo and Brothers.

15 Q Where did you pick up the truck?

16 A At Ramiro's farm.

17 Q What kind of truck was it?

18 A It's a '63 Chevrolet.

19 Q A '63 Chevy?

20 A Yes.

21 Q Is that you one you always used, or did you use  
22 different ones?

23 A Yes. Most of the time.

24 Q Were there other people who were hauling grain?

25 A Yes. There were some other people hauling grain.



1 Q What kind of trucks were they using?

2 A They would use the same truck, or O. P.'s  
3 truck.

4 Q Did you ever haul grain on a week day?

5 A No, ma'am.

6 Q During grain season aren't they usually very  
7 anxious to get their grain hauled in as soon as they can?

8 A Yes, ma'am.

9 Q And you never took a week day to go haul grain?

10 A Not to haul grain. No, ma'am.

11 Q Have you ever worked outside of Duval County?

12 A. Before?

13 Q In the last four or five years.

14 A During the time I'm working for the county?

15 Q Yes.

16 A I guess O. P.'s ranch, I guess it's out of  
17 Duval County, or is it in Duval County? It's close to  
18 Roma.

19 Q Have you ever hauled any grain outside of the  
20 county?

21 A No, I don't think so.

22 Q Is Alice in Duval County?

23 A No. It's out of Duval County. I'm sorry about  
24 that. It's outside Duval County.

25 Q Okay. So you have hauled grain outside the

1 county?

2 A Yes.

3 Q Have you ever hauled grain any place else than  
4 Alice?

5 A No, ma'am.

6 Q Has the truck ever broken down on you while  
7 you've been using it?

8 A Not that I remember.

9 Q Have any of the other trucks?

10 A I wouldn't know.

11 Q If a truck had broken where would you have  
12 taken it to be repaired?

13 A Well, I wouldn't know.

14 Q Who would you go and tell that it had broken  
15 down?

16 A Well, it depends on who was the closest, I  
17 guess.

18 Q What do you mean?

19 A On who was there. The closest I could report  
20 it to.

21 Q Who would the various people you could have  
22 reported it to?

23 A To A and R. To Arnoldo or Bobby Carrillo.

24 Q Is that Ramiro Carrillo, the county commissioner?

25 A No. Junior. His son.

1 Q Who is Arnoldo Carrillo?

2 A That is his oldest son. The county commis-  
3 sioner's oldest son.

4 Q So both are the county commissioner's sons?

5 A Yes, ma'am.

6 Q Do you know what license plate was on the truck  
7 you were using to haul grain?

8 A No.

9 MS. WEDDINGTON: I pass the witness.

10 CHAIRMAN HALE: Mr. Chavez?

11 BY MR. CHAVEZ:

12 Q Mr. Sanchez, along the line of questioning  
13 Ms. Weddington was following, did any of those trucks  
14 have a county license plate on it, exempt license plate  
15 on it?

16 A (No response.)

17 Q The exempt license plate?

18 A I don't remember, sir.

19 Q Did it have any lettering on there to reflect  
20 they were owned by the county?

21 A I don't remember.

22 Q But if any of those trucks had been owned by  
23 the county you would have known that?

24 A Well, I guess.

25 Q Were any of those trucks owned by the county?

1 A I guess.

2 Q Were some county trucks that were used to  
3 haul grain that belonged to the judge in those county  
4 trucks?

5 A To the judge? No.

6 Q For anybody else?

7 A What is the question?

8 Q Were any of the county trucks used to haul  
9 grain that belonged to a private individual?

10 A Yes.

11 Q For whom?

12 A I wouldn't know.

13 Q Well, did you haul grain for Ramiro Carrillo  
14 on county trucks?

15 A No.

16 Q For O. P. Carrillo?

17 A No.

18 Q George Parr?

19 A Yes.

20 Q George Parr was the one that used the county  
21 equipment then? The County trucks.

22 A No. Yes.

23 CHAIRMAN HALE: Mr. Chavez, maybe you'd  
24 better repeat that question. I'm not sure that the  
25 witness got the answer or maybe he didn't understand the

1 question.

2 Q Okay. Mr. Sanchez, apparently we think that  
3 you might be mistaken. What I'm trying to find out is  
4 if county trucks, trucks that belonged to the county,  
5 if they were used to haul grain— Were they used to haul  
6 grain?

7 A Yes.

8 Q Who did that grain belong to?

9 A Well, it all depends on where we cut it.

10 Q Well, where did you cut? Where did you haul  
11 from?

12 A George Parr's place. I guess it was Hoffsteder  
13 or something like that.

14 Q Hoffsteder?

15 A Yes.

16 Q Okay. Who were you hauling it for?

17 A Who was cutting?

18 Q Who was the contractor?

19 A A and R.

20 Q Okay. A and R. That would be Arnoldo and  
21 Ramiro Carrillo?

22 A Junior. Yes.

23 Q Junior. All right. Did you haul for anybody  
24 else? Any other harvester?

25 A Not that I remember.

1 Q Then it would be fair to say that you used  
2 county trucks to haul grain at the request of Arnaldo  
3 and Ramiro Carrillo?

4 A Well, they had the truck. I don't know.

5 Q They had the trucks?

6 A It was there at the field. That's where I saw  
7 it.

8 Q Who took the truck to the field?

9 A I wouldn't know.

10 Q You have seen trucks on the Parr ranch?

11 A Yes.

12 Q Now sometimes the man may own the land and the  
13 grain but other people harvest it.

14 A Yes.

15 Q And they contract to harvest the grain and haul  
16 it off.

17 A Yes.

18 Q Is this what Arnaldo and Ramiro were doing?

19 A I guess.

20 Q The grain actually belonged to George Parr  
21 but Arnaldo and Ramiro were the ones that actually  
22 harvested the grain and hauled it off to the silo or  
23 wherever it was going?

24 A Yes.

25 Q Do you know who was paying the drivers?

1 A I guess A and R.

2 Q Okay. The custom is that the harvester, he  
3 takes care of his employees, the guy that operates the  
4 combine and his truck drivers, and then he just charges  
5 so much to the landowner for harvesting the grain. Is  
6 that right?

7 A (The witness nodded.)

8 Q So that if county trucks were being used to  
9 haul that grain they were under the direction of A and R?

10 A I wouldn't know.

11 Q Now, how long have you been working for Ramiro  
12 Carrillo, the county commissioner?

13 A For the county commissioner? About ten years.

14 Q Now, it is customary, is it not, for each  
15 county commissioner to have his own precinct, either  
16 office or warehouse, in his precinct?

17 A In the precinct. Yes.

18 Q Each one has their own shed or warehouse?

19 A Yes.

20 Q So, since you worked for Ramiro your place to  
21 go was to that warehouse?

22 A Yes.

23 Q Or shed in Precinct Three?

24 A Yes.

25 Q Do you have occasion to go to the county

1 warehouse? Is there a separate county warehouse?

2 A Not that I know of.

3 Q Where was Commissioner Carrillo's warehouse  
4 or office?

5 A In the county yard. It was in the county yard,  
6 in the front building.

7 Q Is that in a particular town or out in the  
8 country?

9 A In Benavides.

10 Q In Benavides. Now, you said in the front part  
11 or something. In that building or that lot there, are  
12 there more offices?

13 A No.

14 Q Or stores?

15 A It's a store.

16 Q There is a store?

17 A Yes.

18 Q What store is that?

19 A I think it's Farm and Ranch.

20 Q Is that attached to the same building that  
21 the county warehouse is attached to?

22 A Yes, sir.

23 Q Do you know who owns Farm and Ranch?

24 A No.

25 Q You don't know that O. P. and Ramiro own it?



1 A They might. I wouldn't know.

2 Q And that Farm and Ranch Store has been there  
3 at least the seven years that you've been working with  
4 Mr. Carrillo?

5 A Yes.

6 Q Are there any other stores located there?

7 A The same place?

8 Q Yes.

9 A No.

10 Q Have you ever heard of the Zertuche Store?

11 A Well, I've heard about it.

12 Q Do you know where it is?

13 A No.

14 Q Have you ever seen it?

15 A (The witness shook his head.)

16 Q Where have you heard about Zertuche Store?

17 A It's everywhere.

18 Q What?

19 A Now it's everywhere.

20 Q Now everybody knows that there is a Zertuche  
21 Store in Benavides?

22 A (The witness nodded.)

23 Q I see. Have you ever seen a sign or anything  
24 there at Farm and Ranch or close to it showing that  
25 Zertuche Store was situated there?

1 A Not that I recall.

2 Q Since you knew that Farm and Ranch was there,  
3 if there had been another store you would have seen it?

4 A I guess.

5 Q And would have known about it?

6 A Yes.

7 Q But you never saw any?

8 A No.

9 Q Who was the person that worked there at Farm  
10 and Ranch?

11 A When I started?

12 Q Yes.

13 A Cleofas Gonzalez.

14 Q How long did Cleofas work there?

15 A Before I was there, or during that time?

16 Q He's been working there since you've been  
17 there?

18 A He was working there since I started.

19 Q So you started with Ramiro about seven years  
20 ago and Cleofas was already there?

21 A Yes.

22 Q Was he managing and operating the store?

23 A I guess.

24 Q He was there clerking?

25 A Yes.

1 Q And has he quit since then?

2 A Yes.

3 Q When did he quit? Do you know?

4 A No.

5 Q Has it been the past few months?

6 A No, more than that, I guess.

7 Q Last year, wasn't it?

8 A Last year. Something like that.

9 Q I think that's right. About a year ago.

10 A About a year ago.

11 Q Did Cleofas have any duties back in the county  
12 warehouse?

13 A Not that I know of.

14 Q Did you ever see him back there working?

15 A No.

16 Q Who was Ramiro's foreman all this time?

17 A Well, I wouldn't know, sir. I don't remember.

18 Q Who did you work for? Who was your immediate  
19 supervisor?

20 A Ramiro gave orders most all the time.

21 Q But each commissioner usually has a foreman,  
22 doesn't he?

23 A I guess.

24 Q Does Cleofas Gonzalez ever act as Ramiro's  
25 foreman?

1 A Well, if he did I wouldn't know, sir.

2 Q Did you ever see Cleofas doing county work also  
3 in the warehouse?

4 A Not that I remember.

5 Q I assume that you did go to the warehouse over  
6 there?

7 A Yes.

8 Q And picked up equipment?

9 A (The witness nodded.)

10 Q Either heavy equipment or materials?

11 A Yes.

12 Q Fence posts?

13 A Yes.

14 Q Wire?

15 A Yes.

16 Q All these materials, were they separate and  
17 apart from the Farm and Ranch Store or were they all  
18 mixed up?

19 A The posts?

20 Q Well, the posts, the wire—

21 A The posts were separate.

22 Q I beg your pardon?

23 A The posts were separate.

24 Q Okay. What else?

25 A The wire was at the back of the shop.

1 Q Of the county shop?

2 A It was in the county shop though.

3 Q Okay.

4 A That's about it.

5 Q Did you ever go into the Farm and Ranch Store  
6 to get stuff to be used in the work for the county?

7 A Yes. Bolts and nuts, small things.

8 Q Now when you went to the store to get these  
9 things, did you sign a receipt for them?

10 A Yes.

11 Q And who were they billed to?

12 A To the county.

13 Q Okay. So, let's say for example, for over the  
14 past three or four years you have gone to get stuff out  
15 of there at one time or another?

16 A Yes.

17 Q When you go in there did you tell Cleofas what  
18 you wanted or what?

19 A Yes, sir.

20 Q And Cleofas would get you stuff?

21 A Yes.

22 Q And you would sign or Cleofas would sign?

23 A I would sign.

24 Q And you would sign and say, "I'm taking this  
25 equipment for the county"?

1 A Not equipment.

2 Q Or materials?

3 A Materials, like bolts and nuts. Small things.

4 Q Nails?

5 A Yes. Small things.

6 Q You would just sign for them, for Precinct 3?

7 A Yes.

8 Q And then Farm and Ranch Store took care of  
9 however they billed the county?

10 A I guess.

11 Q And if the county paid them that was none of  
12 your business.

13 A No.

14 Q Your business was to go get the things that  
15 you needed for the county out of Farm and Ranch, and  
16 the billing they took care of themselves. Is that right?

17 A I guess.

18 Q But there is no mistake about your getting  
19 merchandise from Farm and Ranch for the use of the county?

20 A No.

21 Q These fence posts and stuff, where are they  
22 utilized? Where are they put it?

23 A Well, at Ramiro's farm. The commissioner's  
24 farm.

25 Q On the commissioner's farm?

1 A Yes.

2 Q In other words, you all went to the county  
3 shop to get fence posts and wire that belonged to the  
4 county and to be used on Ramiro's ranch?

5 A No. The posts were stacked on his place.  
6 Those county posts were stacked on his place.

7 Q County posts?

8 A Yes.

9 Q Stacked where?

10 A At Ramiro's place.

11 Q But the fence posts belonged to the county?

12 A Oh, yes.

13 Q But they were on Ramiro's ranch?

14 A Yes.

15 Q And they were used for Ramiro's ranch?

16 A No. For the county. They were stacked there  
17 so we could pick them up whenever we needed them because  
18 in the yard there is not enough place to put them.

19 Q Where were they put? That's what I was asking.  
20 Where were the fence posts put?

21 A Oh, used?

22 Q Yes. In the holes.

23 A On the county fences.

24 Q What property does the county own that it has  
25 to fence?

1           A     Well, mainly patching up fences and things  
2 like that.

3           Q     Whose fences?

4           A     The ones on the county.

5           Q     Does the county have property that it fences  
6 in?

7           A     No. I mean county roads.

8           Q     Most people usually fence in their farms, but  
9 in Duval County, the county forms the roads in away from  
10 the ranches?

11          A     I didn't understand that question.

12          Q     Okay. Are all the county roads fenced?

13          A     No, I don't think so. Not all of them.

14          Q     Are the county roads that are fenced, are  
15 those roads that go through the Carrillo ranch, O. P.'s  
16 and Ramiro's ranches?

17          A     I don't think there is no county road that goes  
18 through his property.

19          Q     Well, next to it?

20          A     Next to it?

21          Q     The ranch comes up to a county road, doesn't  
22 it?

23          A     I guess. Yes.

24          Q     Are those roads fenced?

25          A     Yes.



1 MR. CHAVEZ: That's all, Mr. Chairman.

2 CHAIRMAN HALE: Ms. Thompson?

3 BY MS. THOMPSON:

4 Q Mr. Sanchez, do you know how to put up paneling?

5 A What?

6 Q Paneling. You know, on the wall.

7 A Oh, yes.

8 Q Have you ever put up any?

9 A Yes, ma'am.

10 Q Have you ever put up any at the judge's ranch?

11 A No.

12 MS. THOMPSON: Thank you.

13 CHAIRMAN HALE: Are there further questions?

14 Mr. Kaster?

15 BY MR. KASTER:

16 Q Mr. Sanchez, how often have you worked for  
17 A and R grain haulers? Have you worked for them?

18 A Yes.

19 Q Very often?

20 A Yes.

21 Q During grain season?

22 A Yes, sir.

23 Q How often do you work for them?

24 A Mostly after hours and weekends. They take  
25 about three weeks, four weeks at the most.

1 Q A month?

2 A Yes.

3 Q Do you work most every day hauling it?

4 A On the weekends?

5 Q I mean, after work.

6 A Not every day.

7 Q How much do you get paid for that work?

8 A Well, it varies. Sometimes they give me so  
9 much and then sometimes give me something else, and stuff  
10 like that.

11 Q Does A and R do most of the grain hauling for  
12 the people around there?

13 A Not mostly around Benavides.

14 Q Not around Benavides?

15 A I mean, they do some at Benavides, but mostly  
16 it's just outside.

17 Q Does the judge grow any grain on his ranch?

18 A Not lately.

19 Q Not lately? Did he last year?

20 A No.

21 Q The year before?

22 A Not that I remember?

23 Q Has he ever?

24 A Yes. About five years ago.

25 Q How much grain did he have five years ago?

1 A Maybe two hundred acres.

2 Q And who harvested that? If he only did it  
3 five years ago he probably didn't have a combine or  
4 something himself for five years ago, did he?

5 A No.

6 Q Did he contract out to—

7 A Yes.

8 Q Who did that?

9 A A and R.

10 Q Did you haul any of that grain?

11 A No, sir.

12 Q But A and R did?

13 A Yes.

14 Q And you've already said that A and R uses some  
15 county equipment.

16 A Yes, sir.

17 Q Have you ever patched fences on Judge Carrillo's  
18 ranch?

19 A No, sir.

20 MR. KASTER: That's all.

21 CHAIRMAN HALE: Mr. Maloney?

22 BY MR. MALONEY:

23 Q Mr. Sanchez, do you have any cattle on the  
24 judge's ranch?

25 A No, sir.

1 Q Do you know of anyone else who does?

2 A I guess Tomas.

3 Q Tomas Elizondo?

4 A Elizondo.

5 Q How about Roberto Elizondo?

6 A Roberto. Correct.

7 Q How do you know that they have cattle on the  
8 ranch?

9 A I have seen them working their own cattle.

10 Q Do they have very many?

11 A I wouldn't know.

12 Q Have you ever done any construction work on  
13 the judge's ranch?

14 A Not that I remember of.

15 Q Let me ask you to take a look at Exhibits 22,  
16 23, and 24, which have been introduced into the record  
17 in this matter.

18 Do you recognize the house that is represented  
19 in those pictures?

20 A Yes, sir.

21 Q What house is that?

22 A Well, I don't know what house it is. I think  
23 it belongs to O. P. The judge.

24 Q Is it on his property?

25 A I guess.

1 Q Have you ever done any work on the construction  
2 of that whatsoever?

3 A No, sir.

4 Q How are you paid by A and R?

5 A Checks and sometimes cash.

6 Q Does your wife cash those checks for you too?

7 A Yes. Most of the checks.

8 Q Do you all have a bank account?

9 A Yes.

10 Q Where do you bank?

11 A In San Diego. First State Bank.

12 Q How is that bank account listed?

13 A It's under mine and my wife's name.

14 Q What is your wife's name?

15 A Mary Lou.

16 Q Mario?

17 A Mary Lou.

18 Q In your work, both in roundups and in hauling  
19 grain, do you ever work on a week day?

20 A After hours.

21 Q What are your hours?

22 A Eight to five.

23 Q Do you report anywhere in the morning at eight  
24 o'clock?

25 A Yes, sir.

1 Q Where do you report?

2 A To the county shop.

3 Q That would be this location that also has the  
4 Farm and Ranch?

5 A Yes, sir.

6 Q I believe you were telling Mr. Chavez that you  
7 did know Cleofas Gonzalez. Is that correct?

8 A Yes.

9 Q How long have you known him?

10 A Oh, since I was little.

11 Q Do you know who he works for or has worked for  
12 recently?

13 A No.

14 Q Did you ever see him at the Farm and Ranch  
15 Store?

16 A Lately?

17 Q Well, in the past year.

18 A No, not since he quit.

19 Q Since who quit?

20 A Since he stopped going to the Farm and Ranch  
21 I haven't seen him. Not at the Farm and Ranch.

22 Q When was the last time that you saw him there?

23 A It must have been about a year ago.

24 Q What was he doing at that time?

25 A Well, when he was still working.

1 Q What was he doing when he was working?

2 A He was a clerk, I guess.

3 Q A clerk for whom?

4 A For the store, I guess.

5 Q For the Farm and Ranch Store?

6 A Yes.

7 Q What did he do that gave you the impression  
8 that he was a clerk at the Farm and Ranch Store?

9 A He was always behind the counter.

10 Q And that is a separate area away from the county  
11 shop. Is that correct?

12 A Well, it's inside the building.

13 Q Has that part of the building got some counters?

14 A Yes.

15 Q If somebody is going to the county shop to  
16 transact some business for the county, do they go around  
17 to the back or do they go in the Farm and Ranch Store?

18 A Well, if you go directly to that you go to the  
19 back there. Not the back, but the front gate.

20 Q There is a gate that opens onto the road for  
21 the county shop?

22 A Yes.

23 Q Did you ever see any cement there at the county  
24 shop?

25 A Yes, sir.

1 Q Do you recall whether that was what I would  
2 call American cement or Mexican cement?

3 A I wouldn't know.

4 Q Have you ever seen anything that you might  
5 think of as being Mexican cement? In other words, the  
6 wrappings would be in Spanish.

7 A No.

8 Q Do you know where Patricio Garza lives?

9 A Yes.

10 Q Where does he live?

11 A In Benavides.

12 Q Whereabouts in Benavides?

13 A Well, the street's got no name.

14 Q Is there a particular house that you associate  
15 where he lives?

16 A No.

17 Q You just know he lives around there somewhere?

18 A He lives in Benavides, but I couldn't give you  
19 directions.

20 Q If you were going over to his house would you  
21 know where to go?

22 A Yes.

23 Q You could find it if somebody came down there  
24 asking you to show Patricio Garza's house?

25 A Yes, sir.



1 MR. MALONEY: Thank you.

2 CHAIRMAN HALE: Are there further ques-  
3 tions?

4 Mr. Kaster?

5 BY MR. KASTER:

6 Q Mr. Sanchez, did you testify that Oscar Sanchez  
7 is your brother?

8 A Yes, sir.

9 Q Have you ever worked with him on the judge's  
10 ranch?

11 A Not that I remember.

12 Q Five years ago, roughly in 1971, do you know  
13 if Oscar Sanchez helped build a water tank out on the  
14 judge's ranch?

15 A Not that I remember.

16 MR. KASTER: Thank you. That's all.

17 CHAIRMAN HALE: Are there further ques-  
18 tions?

19 Mr. Canales?

20 BY MR. CANALES:

21 Q Mr. Sanchez, I want to ask you a few questions  
22 with regard to Starr County. Have you ever been to  
23 Starr County? That would include Rio Grande, Roma-Los  
24 Saenz—

25 A Yes.

1 Q How often do you go down there?

2 A Well, just when there's roundups.

3 Q When there are roundups?

4 A Yes.

5 Q Who do you work for down there?

6 A For O. P.

7 Q He has a ranch down there?

8 A Yes.

9 Q Is that the only one that you've ever worked  
10 for down there?

11 A No.

12 Q Who else have you worked for down there?

13 A Oh, over there?

14 Q Yes.

15 A No. Just for him.

16 Q Just for him. Have you ever worked for anybody  
17 else's land over there?

18 A Yes, I think so.

19 Q Might it have been on Clinton Manges' ranch?

20 A I wouldn't know, sir.

21 Q Was it hauling grain?

22 A Yes.

23 Q In county trucks?

24 A Not that I remember.

25 Q They weren't the same trucks that you used to

1 haul grain around in Duval County with?

2 A No, sir.

3 Q I want you to describe the truck that you use?  
4 Is it a tractor trailer or is it just a simple truck?

5 A Over there?

6 Q Whichever ones that you've ever used. You said  
7 you only used one earlier.

8 A A Chevrolet truck.

9 Q A Chevrolet truck. It has a trailer on the  
10 back?

11 A No.

12 Q Or is it a tandem type?

13 A It's a bobtail.

14 Q Bobtail. What type of work did you do over  
15 there carrying grain? Did you just drive a truck or did  
16 you drive a combine?

17 A Combines.

18 Q Where were the combines fixed whenever they  
19 broke down?

20 A Usually in the field.

21 Q In the field. Who would come and fix them?

22 A I would.

23 Q All the time?

24 A Well, most of the time.

25 Q Who else would fix them?

1 A Whoever was working with us.

2 Q Who else was there working with you?

3 A A and R.

4 Q A and R was there working with you?

5 A Ramiro Carrillo, Jr., and Arnoldo Carrillo.

6 Q They were there?

7 A Yes.

8 Q They didn't have the same trucks that they  
9 used when they were working in Duval County?

10 A Well, that grain truck went over there, that  
11 grain truck.

12 Q No, but you're not answering. Did they use  
13 the same trucks for carrying grain in Starr County as  
14 they used to carry grain in Duval County?

15 A During that year, yes.

16 Q You carried grain from Starr County then?

17 A Yes.

18 Q You told Ms. Weddington earlier that you'd  
19 never worked out of the county carrying grain.

20 A I thought it was—

21 Q May I assume that you misunderstood her ques-  
22 tion?

23 A Yes, I guess.

24 Q And when you carried this grain, where did you  
25 take it to, Mr. Sanchez?

1 A To the Alice Elevator.

2 Q Also. And to whose name was it deposited when  
3 you—

4 A I wouldn't know.

5 Q You just dumped the grain there and never asked  
6 any questions?

7 A It was already fixed by the time we got over  
8 there.

9 Q They knew who it was received from?

10 A I guess.

11 Q Okay. Could you find the ranches again if you  
12 wanted to, where you were carrying this grain from?

13 A Yes, I guess.

14 Q More or less where were they located? Were  
15 they north of Rio Grande City, south of Rio Grande City,  
16 east of Rio Grande City? Were they on the lake?

17 A No. No.

18 Q Do you know Mr. Clinton Manges?

19 A Not personally. I just saw him a while ago.

20 Q Never have seen him before in your life?

21 A Not that I remember.

22 Q Mr. Sanchez, have you ever had any occasion to  
23 work on caterpillar tractors?

24 A Yes.

25 Q Could you give me a few instances? Where did

1 you work?

2 A On weekends?

3 Q No. I'm asking you where?

4 A On county tractors?

5 Q You worked on no county tractors?

6 A No county tractors.

7 Q Who did the tractors belong to?

8 A I guess Ramiro.

9 Q Ramiro Carrillo?

10 A Yes.

11 Q Where did you do the work?

12 A At his place.

13 Q Ramiro Carrillo's ranch. No other place?

14 A Not that I remember.

15 Q Not that you remember. You could have done  
16 some work on O. P.'s ranch?

17 A No, not on O. P.'s.

18 Q You're absolutely certain you've never done  
19 any work on O. P.'s ranch?

20 A Yes.

21 Q Do you do any farming on Ramiro Carrillo's  
22 ranch?

23 A Yes.

24 Q Do you plant?

25 A Yes.

1 Q Do you get paid?

2 A Yes, sir.

3 Q How much?

4 A Well, it all depends on how much I do.

5 Q Okay. Now, how many acres more or less do you  
6 plant on Ramiro Carrillo's ranch?

7 A Oh, I would say about 250.

8 Q How long does it take to plant 250 acres?

9 A Well, it would take about two weeks.

10 Q About two weeks. That's just the planting?

11 A Yes.

12 Q Or does it take disking and all of this?

13 A No, just planting.

14 Q Just the planting. Now, you have to disc the  
15 land before that, don't you?

16 A Yes, sir.

17 Q What else do you do when you plant grain?

18 A Cultivate—

19 Q You have to harrow it and all of this. How  
20 many hours or how many days of work do you do generally  
21 on one grain crop? You say it takes two weeks to plant  
22 it.

23 A Yes.

24 Q I would assume it takes a similar amount to  
25 disc it, or is it a little bit faster in disking?

1 A No. Disking would be a little faster.

2 Q What about harrowing?

3 A We don't do that. We just cultivate.

4 Q Okay. How long does that take?

5 A I would say about ten days, two weeks.

6 Q Two weeks. Do you fertilize?

7 A No.

8 Q Then you come in and— How do you harvest it?

9 With a combine?

10 A Yes.

11 Q Do you do that work also?

12 A Sometimes.

13 Q Whose combines are those?

14 A A and R.

15 Q A and R. Who owns the grain that you planted  
16 on Ramiro's ranch?

17 A I wouldn't know.

18 Q Who paid you for doing this?

19 A Sometimes Ramiro; sometimes A and R.

20 Q Sometimes Ramiro and sometimes A and R. And  
21 over a course of a year you only made about a hundred  
22 or a hundred and so dollars doing all of this extra work.  
23 And you got paid ten dollars a day?

24 A More or less.

25 Q Mr. Sanchez, I don't understand. Ten times ten



1 is a hundred, and ten times twenty is two hundred, and  
2 you say that you worked several weeks, if not several  
3 months, on this one crop. Now, let me ask you, did you  
4 plant at any other places?

5 A Not that I remember.

6 Q Is it possible that you planted at some other  
7 ranches?

8 A No.

9 Q It's impossible. You never did plant grain on  
10 anybody else's ranch except for Ramiro's.

11 A Yes, sir.

12 Q In Starr County did you do any planting down  
13 there?

14 A No.

15 Q You just did the harvesting. Is that correct?

16 A Not all of it of course.

17 Q You did a part of it?

18 A (The witness nodded.)

19 Q Okay. Did you ever have occasion to take a  
20 combine that had broken down to be repaired at Mr.  
21 Adolio Briones' garage?

22 A Not that I remember.

23 Q Is it possible?

24 A It could be.

25 Q Did you ever have occasion to take combines to

1 the county shop?

2 A Yes.

3 Q To Precinct 3 shop?

4 A Yes.

5 Q And they were repaired there?

6 A No, not for repairs.

7 Q What did you do with them there?

8 A Well, mostly wash them, stuff like that.

9 Q Watch them?

10 A Yes. Hose them off after season.

11 Q Oh, you'd wash them off?

12 A Yes.

13 Q Okay. What did you carry these combines on,  
14 or did you drive them all the way back from Rio Grande  
15 City?

16 A No. We hauled it.

17 Q On what truck?

18 A That green Chevrolet truck.

19 Q What?

20 A That green Chevrolet truck.

21 Q That same bobtail?

22 A Yes. It's got a trailer on it.

23 Q It's got a trailer?

24 A Yes. A small trailer. Four wheel rig.

25 Q How big is the combine? Is it a two row, four

1 row, six, eight row?

2 A It's a six row.

3 Q Six row?

4 A Six row.

5 Q And it fits on top of that little bitty old  
6 trailer?

7 A Yes. Take that big cutter off. It's separate.  
8 It's a two piece trailer.

9 Q Okay. Did you ever have occasion to fill up  
10 your truck there at the county shop?

11 A No.

12 Q Gasoline?

13 A No.

14 Q Where did you fill up?

15 A They usually have a tank on wheels.

16 Q They have a tank on wheels?

17 A Yes.

18 Q They store that there at the county shop?

19 A No.

20 Q Where do they store that?

21 A At his place. At Ramiro's place.

22 Q At Ramiro's place. What type of tractor does  
23 Ramiro have for planting?

24 A John Deere. And a Ferguson.

25 Q A John Deere and a Massey-Ferguson?

1 A Yes.

2 Q Who drives it?

3 A Sometimes I do.

4 Q And sometimes somebody else?

5 A Yes.

6 Q Who is the other one?

7 A A and R. Ramiro Carrillo, Jr. and Arnoldo.

8 Q Okay. Let me ask you, Mr. Sanchez, when you  
9 were working in the grain fields in Starr County, how  
10 long did you work down there? Did that take one day, two  
11 days, a week, a month?

12 A Off and on, about three weeks.

13 Q About three weeks.

14 A Yes. On weekends and stuff.

15 Q On weekends?

16 A Yes.

17 Q How long is a year to you? How many weeks are  
18 there in a year?

19 A (No response.)

20 Q Would you trust me if I told you it was about  
21 52 weeks?

22 A Yes.

23 Q And all of the planting that you did on the  
24 Carrillo ranch was only done on weekends?

25 A All the things I don't do by myself.

1 O I understand that. But you only did it on  
2 weekends?

3 A Yes. And after hours.

4 O And the A and R partnership obviously would do  
5 it all the rest of the week?

6 A Yes.

7 O And for all of these months and months of work  
8 you get paid about a hundred to two hundred dollars at  
9 the most. Right?

10 A In cash. Yes.

11 Q In cash? Did you report this cash on your  
12 income?

13 A I don't remember.

14 Q You do file an income tax return, do you?

15 A Yes.

16 Q Did you report it?

17 A I guess I did, sir.

18 Q Did you report the checks that you received?

19 A I guess I did, sir.

20 Q You did or you didn't?

21 A I don't know. I don't remember.

22 Q You do file an income tax return?

23 A Yes.

24 Q You sign one?

25 A Yes, sir.

1 Q Who does the work on these income tax returns?

2 A I don't know who did it this year, sir. I  
3 don't remember.

4 Q Does your wife negotiate the fixing of the  
5 income tax returns?

6 A Yes.

7 Q Now I'd like to inquire about some of the work  
8 that you do when you're not on weekends. You build fences  
9 for the county? Is that part of your work?

10 A Yes, sometimes.

11 Q Sometimes? What do you do the other times?

12 A Work with trucks, loaders, and stuff like that.

13 Q Trucks and loaders. Okay. Well, we'll get  
14 back to that in a second.

15 Where do you build fences?

16 A I think we went to the other side of Freer.

17 Q You went to the other side of Freer?

18 A Yes. We built a fence there.

19 Q How long a fence?

20 A I'd say about two miles.

21 Q Two miles worth of fence?

22 A (The witness nodded.)

23 Q How many rolls of wire did that take?

24 A I wouldn't know, sir.

25 Q Was it a four strand or a five strand barbwire

1 fence?

2 A I think it's a four.

3 Q Four strand?

4 A Yes.

5 Q Cedar posts?

6 A Yes, sir.

7 Q Who else was working at that time with you,  
8 or were you working by yourself?

9 A No. We were about two or three guys.

10 Q Do you remember who they are?

11 A I think my brother was there, Oscar.

12 Q Oscar, your brother, was there?

13 A (The witness nodded.)

14 Q Okay. When was this now? Oscar hasn't been  
15 working for the county for about two or three years, I  
16 understand.

17 A That must have been about two or three years  
18 ago.

19 Q Two or three years ago?

20 A Yes.

21 Q Now you built a fence about two or three years  
22 ago?

23 A Yes.

24 Q Have you built any lately? Let's say, in the  
25 last year or year and a half?

1 A No, not to my recollection.

2 Q Do you know of anybody that you work with that  
3 has been out working on fences?

4 A No.

5 Q Have you ever built a fence on any Carrillo  
6 land?

7 A Not that I remember.

8 Q Do you know Mr. Hector Garcia?

9 A Yes.

10 Q Have you ever made any fences on Hector Garcia's  
11 ranch?

12 A No, not on his place.

13 Q I'm sorry. I didn't hear you.

14 A Not on his place.

15 Q Not at his place? Where have you built fences  
16 in the last year and a half or two?

17 A I don't remember.

18 Q You don't remember or you haven't?

19 A I don't remember building any fences during  
20 this last year.

21 Q You don't remember?

22 A No.

23 Q If you would have built three or four or five  
24 miles worth of fence you would have remembered, I'm sure.

25 A Oh, yes.



1 Q Okay. So then if you did anything it was  
2 probably just a little gap or something?

3 A Just repairs or something like that.

4 Q Okay. You say you work with loaders and stuff  
5 of this nature. Is that correct?

6 A Yes.

7 Q What do you do with a loader?

8 A Load trucks.

9 Q Load trucks?

10 A Yes.

11 Q With grain?

12 A No. With caliche.

13 Q With caliche. And where do you take the  
14 caliche?

15 A To the roads.

16 Q Which roads?

17 A The county roads.

18 Q The county roads? The county has a lot of  
19 caliche roads?

20 A No, not very many.

21 Q Not very many? About how many are there in  
22 Precinct 3 where you work?

23 A That I know of, I think, three. Three roads.

24 Q About how many miles of caliche road?

25 A I wouldn't have an idea.

1 Q Where are they located?

2 A One, it's about, I'd say, eight miles out of  
3 Benavides.

4 Q South? North? West?

5 A West.

6 Q Okay. West.

7 A From then on there are more but I haven't  
8 been working there lately.

9 Q You haven't been working there lately?

10 A Not there.

11 Q And you haul gravel every day, every day to  
12 this one road?

13 A Gravel?

14 Q Caliche, I mean.

15 A Not all day.

16 Q What do you do the rest of the time?

17 A It was a mile, mile and a half road.

18 Q This is on a county road?

19 A Yes. County road.

20 Q Does it border any of the Carrillo ranch that  
21 you know?

22 A No.

23 Q When I say Carrillo, I mean D. C. Chapa, his  
24 daddy, or anybody in his family.

25 A Not that I know of.

1 Q Does it border George B. Parr's ranch?

2 A No, sir.

3 Q Or any of the Parr family's land?

4 A Not that I know of.

5 Q Do you know of any other caliche roads that  
6 you've ever worked on?

7 A Yes. One other.

8 Q In the last two or three years.

9 A About fourteen miles west of Benavides.

10 Q Fourteen miles west?

11 A Yes, more or less.

12 Q And the other one is west of Benavides, too?

13 A Yes. In the same direction.

14 Q That was how long a road?

15 A That's a pretty long road. I didn't work but  
16 about two days there.

17 Q Two days?

18 A Yes.

19 Q And on the mile and a half road, how long did  
20 you work there?

21 A It must have been most of a day.

22 Q All of a day. Okay.

23 A Yes.

24 Q Now, this was all the loading you were doing,  
25 one day on the mile and a half road and maybe a day or so

1 on the other one. What did you do when you were not  
2 loading? You said you worked on roads.

3 A Yes. And the shop.

4 Q What did you do at the shop?

5 A Mostly whatever came up.

6 Q What is that though? Did you ever repair any  
7 vehicles there?

8 A Yes.

9 Q Which vehicles?

10 A The county trucks. Big diesels.

11 Q Big diesels?

12 A Put clutches on them.

13 Q What are those trucks used for?

14 A Caliche. Hauling caliche.

15 Q Tractor trucks?

16 A Dump trucks.

17 Q What?

18 A Dump trucks.

19 Q Dump trucks?

20 A Yes.

21 Q Do they have any big flatbed trailers to carry  
22 caterpillars with and stuff of this nature?

23 A Not that I know of.

24 Q You've never seen one there?

25 A Oh, yes, I've seen some, but I don't know who

1 they belong to.

2 Q Did they have exempt license plates on them?

3 A The one that— Yes, sir.

4 Q The ones that what?

5 A They belonged to San Diego.

6 Q Okay. About how much time did you spend  
7 repairing trucks?

8 A Off and on. I couldn't tell you.

9 Q Another two or three days?

10 A Yes.

11 Q What else did you do besides this caliche  
12 loading and repair trucks for two or three days?

13 A Just do whatever comes up in the shop.

14 Q That's what I want to know. Did you unload  
15 cement trucks? There has been discussion here about a  
16 car load of cement that arrived at Benavides, and was  
17 unloaded from the car into the precinct shop. Is that  
18 true? Did you ever work unloading some cement over  
19 there?

20 A No.

21 Q Did you ever see it?

22 A I think I did, sir.

23 Q You saw the car?

24 A I saw a truck.

25 Q Were you working for the county at that time?

1 A Yes.

2 Q Did you ever see the cement being taken into  
3 the warehouse there?

4 A Yes, sir.

5 Q And it came out of a railroad car?

6 A No. No.

7 Q Where did it come from?

8 A It was a trailer.

9 Q A tractor trailer truck type combination?

10 A Yes.

11 Q You never helped unload that?

12 A No, not that I remember.

13 Q Did you ever use that concrete to make maybe  
14 small bridges? What was the concrete used for in the  
15 county?

16 A I wouldn't know.

17 Q You never had occasion to ever use any con-  
18 crete?

19 A We used some but I didn't know it was from  
20 there or from where it came.

21 Q Did you ever build any cattle guards?

22 A I believe we built some about three or four  
23 years ago.

24 Q Three or four years ago?

25 A (The witness nodded.)

1 Q Have you built any gates?

2 A No, I don't think so.

3 Q You never built any gates that you know of?

4 A Not that I know of.

5 Q Who else works there at the county shop when  
6 you work there?

7 A All the rest of the workers.

8 Q How many is that?

9 A Offhand, I'd say about ten or twelve.

10 Q Ten or twelve. You were read a list of people  
11 a little while ago, and you said you didn't recognize  
12 the names.

13 A Some of them.

14 Q Some of them. Well, correct. Some of them.  
15 I want to go over them again, and I'd like you to tell  
16 me which ones you don't recognize. Okay?

17 A Okay.

18 CHAIRMAN HALE: Counsel, what is the  
19 pertinence of a lot of these questions? You've lost me.

20 (Bench conference.)

21 Q Apolinar Dela Cruz?

22 A I know him.

23 Q You know him?

24 A Yes.

25 Q He works there with you?

1 A Yes.

2 Q Jose Angel Salazar, Jr.?

3 A Yes.

4 Q He works there at the county shop with you too?

5 A Yes.

6 Q Diego C. Saenz?

7 A I don't know.

8 Q You never heard of him?

9 A No, I don't think so. Unless I don't know, he's  
10 called by a nickname or something.

11 Q Okay. Do you know any Saenz that work there  
12 at the county shop?

13 A Saenz? Yes.

14 Q What about Iva Lee Bairrington?

15 A No.

16 Q What about Domingo Campos?

17 A No.

18 Q What about Andres Villarreal, Sr.?

19 A No.

20 Q What about Gustavo Bustamante?

21 A No.

22 Q What about Diego Pena?

23 A No.

24 Q Eutemio Fernandez?

25 A No.



- 1 Q Ernesto Benavides?
- 2 A No.
- 3 Q Raul P. Carrillo?
- 4 A I've seen him.
- 5 Q He works there?
- 6 A (The witness nodded.)
- 7 Q How often does he come in?
- 8 A He reports most of the mornings.
- 9 Q He reports in the morning and then leaves?
- 10 A Yes.
- 11 Q And how often does he report in the morning?
- 12 Once a week?
- 13 A Mostly every morning.
- 14 Q Mostly every morning.
- 15 Andres Carrillo?
- 16 A He works there.
- 17 Q These are related to the judge, these two
- 18 Carrillos?
- 19 A I guess. I wouldn't know.
- 20 Q Tomas Elizondo?
- 21 A No. I know him but—
- 22 Q He's never showed up at the precinct?
- 23 A He never works with us.
- 24 Q He never worked with you. Okay.
- 25 Of course, you're there.

1 Carlos Herrera?

2 A Yes.

3 Q He's shown up?

4 A Yes.

5 Q How often does he come?

6 A Every morning.

7 Q He stays there all day with you?

8 A Unless he's got his grader some place else.

9 Q Has he ever done any of the work down in Starr  
10 County with you?

11 A Not that I know of.

12 Q Jesus G. Salinas?

13 A Yes.

14 Q He works there with you? You know him?

15 A I think, if that's the one we call him "Chito"?

16 Q I don't know what they call him.

17 A I don't know his real name. Most of them I  
18 know by nicknames. That's why I don't understand most  
19 of the names.

20 Q Okay. Well, if you know some people with last  
21 names I'm mentioning, I'd appreciate it if you'd tell me.  
22 I understand that a lot of people are called by nickname.

23 What about Conrado Garza?

24 A Yes. He works there.

25 Q What about Nestor Garza?

1 A I haven't seen him around there.

2 Q You never seen him around.

3 Eusebio Carrillo, Jr.?

4 A No.

5 Q Do you know him?

6 A No.

7 Q Never— Okay.

8 George Zertuche?

9 A Yes.

10 Q He comes around and works?

11 A Yes.

12 Q What does he do there?

13 A I guess he's a mechanic. Mostly he's a mechanic.

14 Q He comes every day?

15 A Yes.

16 Q Pedro Perez?

17 A No.

18 Q You never heard of him?

19 A (No response.)

20 Q Nasario Gonzalez?

21 A Yes.

22 Q Jesus G. Pena?

23 A Yes. I guess. Yes.

24 Q He comes there every day?

25 A Yes, I think so. Yes.

1 Q Jose H. Martinez?

2 A Yes.

3 Q He's there every day?

4 A (The witness nodded.)

5 Q Juan S. Ruiz?

6 A Yes.

7 Q Daniel Nerio?

8 A He doesn't work there anymore.

9 Q He doesn't work anymore. When was he fired,  
10 or when did he quit?

11 A I guess a week ago or two weeks ago.

12 Q But he used to come in very often?

13 A Oh, yes.

14 Q Leopoldo Chapa?

15 A Yes. He reports to the shop. I don't know  
16 whether he works there or not.

17 Q You don't know whether he works there or not?

18 A No.

19 Q Okay. Most of those people that I named you've  
20 never seen at the shop?

21 A No, I haven't.

22 Q What about Deodato Ruiz?

23 A He used to work there; not working anymore.

24 Q What about Rodolfo Perez?

25 A No.

1 Q He never showed up. Okay.

2 What about Vicente Chapa?

3 A No.

4 Q You never saw him either?

5 A I know who he is.

6 Q But he never showed up at the county?

7 A No.

8 Q Okay. Fernando Caballero?

9 A No.

10 Q H. A. Benavides?

11 A No.

12 Q Okay. Now you say you only spend a few days  
13 carrying caliche, two or three days repairing fences,  
14 and the rest of the time you just mill around at the  
15 shop?

16 A Yes.

17 Q And then on your weekends and your vacation  
18 that you had two years ago you worked in the fields.  
19 Right? And you made a hundred dollars a year, more or  
20 less?

21 A More or less.

22 MR. CANALES: Thank you.

23 CHAIRMAN HALE: Are there any further  
24 questions of this witness?

25 MS. THOMPSON: I'd like to ask one question.

1 BY MS. THOMPSON:

2 Q Did I understand you to say that your brother,  
3 Oscar Sanchez, does not work for the county anymore?

4 A Not anymore.

5 Q How long has he stopped working for the county?

6 A Oh, I don't know.

7 Q Has it been one year, two years?

8 A About a year. Something like that.

9 Q About a year?

10 A I guess.

11 Q Do you know whether or not he worked there  
12 in May of 1974?

13 A I wouldn't know. I don't remember.

14 Q You don't remember. Thank you.

15 CHAIRMAN HALE: Are there further ques-  
16 tions?

17 (No response.)

18 Thank you, Mr. Sanchez, for your appearance  
19 here. The Chair will advise you, you are under subpoena  
20 to the Committee and subject to recall if we need any  
21 further testimony from you. In the meantime you are  
22 free to go home and go about your business, but you are  
23 under subpoena so that if you get notice from us to  
24 come back up here, you will come back in compliance with  
25 that notice. Do you understand?

1 A Yes, sir.

2 CHAIRMAN HALE: Do you want it explained  
3 to you in Spanish?

4 A No, I understand.

5 CHAIRMAN HALE: You understand. All right.  
6 Thank you very much for your appearance.

7 (The witness, Mr. Rogelio Sanchez, was excused.)

8 MR. CANALES: Mr. Chairman, could he be  
9 informed that he can fill out a voucher to reimburse him  
10 for his expenses?

11 CHAIRMAN HALE: Yes. They will give him  
12 one. Everyone that's under subpoena is being given a  
13 travel voucher by the clerk. They can fill it out if  
14 they wish to claim reimbursement for expenses.

15 Mr. Patricio Garza?

16 Do you understand English?

17 MR. GARZA: No.

18 CHAIRMAN HALE: You need an interpreter.

19 MR. GARZA: No hablo Ingles.

20 CHAIRMAN HALE: Mr. Garza, I shall give  
21 you a warning in English and then the young lady will  
22 repeat it in Espanol.

23 It is my duty as chairman to advise you as to  
24 your rights with reference to your testimony. You will  
25 be sworn to tell the truth and your failure to do so

1 could subject you to a prosecution for perjury. After  
2 you have completed your statement members of the committee  
3 may ask questions concerning your testimony. You must  
4 answer these questions truthfully, and your refusal to  
5 do so could subject you to punishment for contempt.  
6 You can refuse to answer questions only on the grounds  
7 that such answers might incriminate you or tend to  
8 incriminate you in some way. You are privileged to have  
9 an attorney of your selection to sit with and advise you  
10 as to your answers if you desire.

11 The Chair will attempt to protect your rights  
12 at all times.

13 Will you give him the warning in Spanish,  
14 please?

15 MS. RAMON: Okay.

16 (The entire testimony of the witness, Patricio  
17 Garza, was presented through the interpretation of Ms.  
18 Edna Ramon.)

19 CHAIRMAN HALE: Do you understand the  
20 advice I have given you?

21 MS. RAMON: He said, "We'll see."

22 CHAIRMAN HALE: Muy bien.

23 Will you please stand and raise your right  
24 hand?

25 (The witness was administered the oath by the  
Chairman.)





1 A(I) To watch the cows, circle the fences, watch  
2 the fences.

3 Q Who pays you for this work?

4 A(I) O. P. Carrillo.

5 Q Does he pay you by cash or by check?

6 A(I) Sometimes cash, sometimes checks.

7 CHAIRMAN HALE: Could I see Exhibits 30  
8 through 37.

9 While we're checking these would you please  
10 take a pen and sign your name two or three times on this  
11 sheet of paper?

12 A (The witness complied.)

13 CHAIRMAN HALE: Would you have the court  
14 reporter mark it please.

15 (The instrument referred to  
16 was marked "EXHIBIT-68" for  
identification.)

17 Q Now, Mr. Garza, I have here a sheet of yellow  
18 paper that's been marked Exhibit No. 68, on which you  
19 have signed your name on three different occasions. Is  
20 that correct?

21 A(I) Yes, it's correct.

22 Q You say you have worked for Judge Carrillo for  
23 about a year and a half?

24 A(I) A year and a half, more or less.

25 Q That would be during all of 1975 and all of 1974?

1 MS. RAMON: May I ask him the question again  
2 so he can answer me again, because I didn't understand  
3 his answer.

4 CHAIRMAN HALE: All right. Repeat the  
5 question.

6 (Ms. Ramon repeated the question in Spanish.)

7 A(I) Yes.

8 Q Is your answer "yes"?

9 A Yes.

10 Q Where did you work during 1973?

11 A(I) With the county.

12 Q What type of work did you do for the county?

13 A(I) In whatever they told me to.

14 Q Were you on the county payroll?

15 A(I) Yes.

16 Q Did you draw any money from the county during  
17 1975, this year?

18 A(I) No.

19 Q Were you paid any money by the county during  
20 1974?

21 A(I) No.

22 Q Were you paid any money by the county during  
23 1973?

24 A(I) Yes.

25 Q Were you paid any money by Judge Carrillo during

1 1973?

2 A(I) No.

3 Q The only money you were paid during 1973 was  
4 from Duval County?

5 A(I) From the county.

6 Q I'm going to hand you some documents, seven  
7 pages, which have been identified as Exhibit 66. Will  
8 you look at the top page and tell me whether or not that  
9 is your signature on that document?

10 A(I) No, it is not.

11 CHAIRMAN HALE: Are you showing him where  
12 it says, "Patricio Garza"?

13 MS. RAMON: Yes. Right here.

14 CHAIRMAN HALE: Let me have them back  
15 and I'll do it in red. Hand it back up here and let me  
16 just check them in red, then there won't be any question  
17 about it.

18 On each of these seven pages I have placed a  
19 red check mark immediately to the right of the name that  
20 has been signed there as "Patricio Garza."

21 Q On the first page, is that your signature?

22 A(I) No, it is not.

23 Q Look at the second page. Is that your signa-  
24 ture?

25 A No.

1 Q On the third page? Is that your signature?

2 A No.

3 Q On the fourth page, is that your signature?

4 A No.

5 Q On the fifth page, is that your signature?

6 A No.

7 Q On the sixth page, is that your signature?

8 A No, no, no.

9 Q On the seventh page, is that your signature?

10 A(I) No, none of them are.

11 Q Do you know a gentleman by the name of Jose  
12 H. Saenz?

13 A(I) No.

14 Q Also known as J. H. Saenz?

15 A(I) No.

16 Q He works as a clerk in Judge Carrillo's office.

17 MS. RAMON: He doesn't know him.

18 Q You do not know him?

19 A(I) I do not.

20 Q Do you know someone by the name of Tranketo  
21 Saenz?

22 A(I) I just know him there, but like a friend,  
23 nothing.

24 Q Well, do you know him?

25 A(I) I do know him. Yes.

1 Q He was here this morning?

2 A(I) Yes, he was.

3 Q He testified before the Committee this morning?

4 A(I) I only know him as a friend but not personally.

5 Q Have you ever gone into his office and signed  
6 any papers?

7 A(I) No.

8 Q Any documents similar to these?

9 A(I) No.

10 Q Have you ever signed any printed forms identical  
11 to these?

12 A(I) I don't remember.

13 Q On these particular instruments, the seven  
14 which I've shown you, Jose M. Saenz certified and swore  
15 to the fact that you signed these instruments. Do you  
16 know that?

17 A(I) No.

18 Q But you did not sign these documents?

19 A(I) No, I did not sign them.

20 Q Each of these documents is a claim against  
21 Duval County for labor.

22 (The question was interpreted by Representative  
23 Canales.

24 A(I) I haven't signed them.

25 (Bench discussion.)

1 CHAIRMAN HALE: I'm not asking him a  
2 question. I want to explain what these are, and then  
3 I'll ask him a question. Do you follow me?

4 MS. RAMON: All right.

5 Q Now, each of these is a claim against Duval  
6 County for labor. I want him to understand that. Put  
7 it to him in Spanish.

8 MS. RAMON: Okay. My problem is, I want  
9 to know what a "claim" is in Spanish, what the correct  
10 word for "claim" is.

11 MR. CHAVEZ: Let me just explain it to  
12 him.

13 (The interpretation was made by Mr. Chavez.)

14 Q Each of these claims is for \$225.

15 (Interpreted by Ms. Ramon.)

16 One in January, 1973.

17 (Interpreted by Ms. Ramon.)

18 One in February, 1973.

19 (Interpreted by Ms. Ramon.)

20 One in March, 1973.

21 (Interpreted by Ms. Ramon.)

22 One in April, 1973.

23 (Interpreted by Ms. Ramon.)

24 One in May, 1973.

25 (Interpreted by Ms. Ramon.)

1 One in June, 1973.

2 (Interpreted by Ms. Ramon.)

3 And one in July, 1973.

4 (Interpreted by Ms. Ramon.)

5 Did you receive checks from Duval County in the  
6 amount of \$225 for any of these seven items?

7 A(I) I don't think so.

8 Q How much money were you paid by Duval County  
9 during 1973?

10 A(I) January, February, March, April, May, June, I  
11 have received money from Duval County.

12 Q In 1973?

13 A(I) Yes. That's right.

14 Q Did you receive any for part of 1973 after June?

15 A(I) I don't remember.

16 Q Do you know where the Cash Store is located in  
17 Benavides?

18 A(I) Yes.

19 Q Do you ever go to the Cash Store?

20 A(I) I have gone.

21 Q Do you pick up groceries at the Cash Store?

22 A(I) For my house I get my groceries there.

23 Q Have you ever gone to the Cash Store and picked  
24 up groceries for Judge Carrillo?

25 A(I) Yes, sir.



1 Q Frequently?

2 A(I) Every week or every two weeks.

3 Q What do you do with those groceries that you  
4 pick up for Judge Carrillo?

5 A(I) I take them to the ranch over there.

6 Q Judge Carrillo's ranch?

7 A(I) Yes.

8 Q And they are consumed by the people on Judge  
9 Carrillo's ranch?

10 A(I) Five days that they are there they work—

11 Yes. Sometimes they eat a lot.

12 Q Are the groceries that you pick up at the Cash  
13 Store and deliver to the Carrillo ranch eaten by people  
14 there on the Carrillo ranch?

15 A(I) Yes. By the men that work at the ranch.

16 Q When you go to the Cash Store to pick up  
17 groceries for Judge Carrillo, do you pay for those  
18 groceries at the time you get them?

19 A(I) No.

20 Q Who pays for them, if you know?

21 A(I) I don't know.

22 Q You never pay for the groceries?

23 A(I) Never.

24 Q Who determines which groceries you pick up?  
25 Do you make the selections?

1 A(I) He tells me what he wants.

2 Q Who tells you?

3 A(I) O. P. Carrillo.

4 Q Judge Carrillo tells you what items to get,  
5 and then you go to the Cash Store and get them for him?

6 A(I) Yes. He tells me what items he wants and I go  
7 get it.

8 Q They give you the groceries without your paying  
9 for them?

10 A(I) Without me paying for the food.

11 Q Do they ask you to sign a receipt of any kind  
12 for the groceries which you pick up for Judge Carrillo?

13 A(I) What I sign is the bill for the food, on the  
14 bottom

15 Q Who owns and operates the Cash Store?

16 A(I) They call him the "Widow." Yzaguirre.

17 Q Do you know Mr. Lario Yzaguirre?

18 A(I) That's him.

19 Q Do you know his wife?

20 A(I) A little; not much. Not too well.

21 Q Have you obtained groceries from both of them  
22 at different times?

23 A(I) Sometimes she is there; sometimes he is there.  
24 Sometimes he's there; sometimes his daughters  
25 are there, or his children are there.

1 CHAIRMAN HALE: Thank you very much.  
2 Muchas gracias.

3 Mr. Maloney?

4 BY MR. MALONEY:

5 Q Senor Garza, have you lived in Benavides all  
6 your life?

7 A(I) Yes.

8 Q How old a man are you?

9 A(I) Sixty-six.

10 Q What work have you performed during your life-  
11 time? Who have you worked for?

12 A(I) When I came from Wells County I found work  
13 with J. M. Dillinger from Corpus.

14 Q How long did you work for him?

15 A(I) About fourteen years.

16 Q When did you stop working for Mr. Dillinger?

17 A(I) Eleven or twelve years. He doesn't quite  
18 remember.

19 Q Would that be eleven or twelve years ago?

20 A(I) Yes. It's been eleven or twelve years since  
21 I worked for him.

22 Q Who did you work for right after you worked  
23 for Mr. Dillinger?

24 A(I) I started with the county in San Diego.

25 Q What year would that have been?

1 A(I) I don't remember.

2 They were working on some river—

3 Q I'm sorry. I can't hear you.

4 MS. RAMON: He said that they were working  
5 on some river, and he doesn't remember.

6 He doesn't remember what year.

7 Q How long did you work for the County of Duval?

8 A(I) Two or three years. I don't remember.

9 Q How long have you known O. P. Carrillo?

10 A(I) Three years.

11 Q When did you begin to live on his ranch?

12 A(I) A year and a half, but I come and go.

13 Q How long have you done ranch work?

14 A(I) All my life.

15 Q Have you ever worked on anyone else's ranch  
16 in the last year and a half?

17 A(I) No. Since I started working for him, just on  
18 that ranch.

19 Q Was this when he first bought his ranch?

20 A(I) The ranch was already there when I came to  
21 work for him.

22 Q When you worked for the county were you paid  
23 by a check or were you paid in cash?

24 A(I) Sometimes they gave me a check; sometimes they  
25 gave me money.

1 Q When they gave you a check, what did you do  
2 with it?

3 A(I) I cashed it at the store.

4 Q What store?

5 A(I) Cash Store.

6 Q When you worked for the county in 1973, what  
7 did you do for them?

8 A(I) Whatever they told me to do.

9 Q Where did you work?

10 A(I) In Benavides and outside of Benavides, on  
11 fences.

12 Q Did you work in the county shop?

13 A(I) I worked in the county fixing flats.

14 Q Do you know Cleofas Gonzalez?

15 A(I) Very little.

16 Q Do you know where he worked when you worked  
17 for the county?

18 A(I) He was there but he could go very seldom.

19 Q I'm sorry.

20 A(I) He worked there but he would go very seldom.

21 Q When you say, "he would go very seldom,"—

22 MS. RAMON: He's speaking of Cleofas.

23 Q Do you cook on the judge's ranch?

24 A(I) Yes.

25 Q Do you cook for the judge?

1 A(I) Yes. Also for the judge.

2 Q Do you cook for the workers when they come to  
3 roundup the cows?

4 A(I) Yes.

5 Q Do you know Roberto Elizondo?

6 A(I) Yes.

7 Q Does he work on the ranch?

8 A(I) No.

9 Q He never works on the ranch?

10 A(I) He works in his office five days a week, and  
11 on the weekends he goes and tends to his cows.

12 Q Do you know Tomas Elizondo?

13 A(I) Yes, sir.

14 Q Does he work on the ranch?

15 A(I) No.

16 Q Have you ever seen him on the ranch?

17 A(I) Saturday and Sunday is when I see him.

18 Q Does Tomas Elizondo have any cows on the ranch?

19 A(I) Yes, he does.

20 Q How many?

21 A(I) About a hundred.

22 Q Does Roberto Elizondo have any cows on the  
23 ranch?

24 A(I) He does, also.

25 Q About how many?

1 A(I) Between the two they have about a hundred.  
2 One has one brand and the other has another brand.

3 Q Do you belong to the old party or the new  
4 party?

5 A(I) The old one. The old party.

6 MR. MALONEY: Thank you. Muchas gracias.

7 CHAIRMAN HALE: Mr. Kaster?

8 BY MR. KASTER:

9 Q Yes. I'd like the sergeant to hand this—  
10 Is that your signature?

11 A(I) No.

12 Q It is not your signature?

13 A(I) No. That is not my signature.

14 Q Pardon me?

15 MS. RAMON: He said his handwriting is  
16 more like the one down here, his signature.

17 MR. KASTER: What I've handed him is the  
18 copy of some documents that we received that are certified,  
19 true documents of checks from Duval County.

20 Q Now, if you'll turn the page back— No, the  
21 other way—and there is a check there with a check mark  
22 beside it. Do you recognize that copy of that check?

23 A(I) No.

24 Q What is the date on that check?

25 MS. RAMON: The date is the 27th of March.

1 Q What year?

2 MS. RAMON: '73.

3 Q And you didn't sign the back of that check?  
4 He didn't endorse it?

5 A(I) No. No, I didn't.

6 Q What is the claim number on that check? On  
7 that check there is a claim number.

8 MS. RAMON: D-748.

9 Q D-748. Now, previously you had looked at some  
10 claims that you said that you did not sign. I will hand  
11 you this one, which has a certain exhibit number; 66, I  
12 believe.

13 I believe that was 66 that Mr. Hale handed him  
14 earlier.

15 MR. HALE: Yes, here it is.

16 MR. KASTER: Hand him Claim No. D-748.

17 Q Now, Mr. Garza, you have testified that is not  
18 your signature on that claim. Is that correct?

19 A(I) No, it's not.

20 Q Now if you will turn to the endorsement on  
21 the check in payment of Claim D-748, which is that right  
22 there.

23 A(I) That's not mine either.

24 Q Is that signature different than the one that  
25 is on the claim number?



1 A(I) On this?

2 Q Yes. Are those different signatures?

3 A(I) Neither of these are mine.

4 MR. KASTER: Now would you hand him the  
5 yellow sheet that he signed his signature on.

6 MS. RAMON: He thinks the signature on  
7 the claim is very different from the one on the check.

8 MR. KASTER: Right.

9 MS. RAMON: He said, "yes, these are mine."

10 Q Now, is the signature on the yellow page similar  
11 to the one on the endorsed check in payment of claim  
12 D-748?

13 A(I) They're not. The "G's" are not even the same.

14 Q They're not the same. Fine.

15 Mr. Garza, did you receive a W-2 statement?

16 Does he know what a W-2 statement is?

17 From the county.

18 A(I) No.

19 Q Show him one of those. He stated he worked  
20 for the county in 1973. Is that correct?

21 A(I) Just five months.

22 (The W-2 was shown the witness.)

23 MS. RAMON: He only worked five months.

24 Do you want me to ask him if he's seen one of  
25 these before?

1 Q Has he ever received anything like this?

2 A(I) No, I don't think so.

3 Q How do you pay your income tax? What statements  
4 do you use? Do you pay an income tax?

5 A(I) No.

6 Q You do not file a federal income tax return?

7 A(I) There are five of us in the house and I earn  
8 very little and there is not enough to file income.

9 Q Have you ever signed a W-4 statement which is  
10 a statement of your dependents? When you work for  
11 somebody do you fill out a statement showing how many  
12 dependents that you have?

13 A(I) It could be but I don't remember.

14 MS. RAMON: He said he has a little boy  
15 and he's got an older son, and it's him and his wife,  
16 and another child that's here in Austin that's sick.

17 Q How many dependents do you have?

18 A(I) Five.

19 Q Cinco ninos?

20 A(I) There were five and two daughters got married,  
21 and there is three boys left.

22 Q And then you and your wife?

23 A(I) Yes. Me and my wife.

24 Q Do you have any idea who is signing your  
25 name on the claims or the checks?

1 A(I) No.

2 MS. RAMON: He said none of those signa-  
3 tures are his.

4 Q Has your wife ever signed your name to the back  
5 of checks?

6 A(I) No. Not her.

7 Q She has never signed them?

8 A(I) When I sign them I give them to her already  
9 signed so that she can take them.

10 Q So she does not sign your checks?

11 A(I) No.

12 Q Did you receive your money for working for the  
13 county in March, 1973?

14 MS. RAMON: I don't think he understands  
15 the question. May I repeat it?

16 Q He worked for four or five months in 1973 for  
17 the county, or from January to June of '73.

18 A(I) Yes.

19 Q Did you receive pay every month during that  
20 time?

21 A(I) Yes. Those months that I worked.

22 Q Was it by check or by cash?

23 A(I) Sometimes it was cash and sometimes it was a  
24 check.

25 Q Who gave you the checks?

1 A(I) There was a person that gave them a stack of  
2 checks that would deliver them from house to house.

3 Q Checks came to your house?

4 A(I) Yes. They took them to the house.

5 Q When you received cash, who gave you the cash?

6 A(I) They would look for me until they found me.

7 Q Then they would give you the money?

8 A(I) They would give me the money.

9 Q Who are "they"?

10 A(I) Sometimes Lario Yzaguirre would give me the  
11 money. The guy at the Cash Store. Lario Yzaguirre from  
12 the Cash Store.

13 Q How would he get the money?

14 A(I) I don't know who gave Lario Yzaguirre the  
15 money.

16 Q The person that was bringing your check to  
17 your house, was that Mr. Yzaguirre also?

18 A(I) Lario Yzaguirre gave me the money one time, in  
19 cash. In cash, it was the only time.

20 Q The other five months then, you received a  
21 check?

22 A(I) Yes. Checks.

23 Q Do you remember which month it was that you  
24 got cash from Mr. Yzaguirre?

25 A(I) I don't remember.

1 Q Did you give instructions to have your check  
2 cashed by Mr. Yzaguirre the months that you got the cash  
3 from Mr. Yzaguirre?

4 MS. RAMON: Pardon me?

5 MR. KASTER: Did he give instructions that  
6 his check be given to Mr. Yzaguirre or for some reason  
7 he ended up with it and gave him cash for it?

8 MS. RAMON: You're talking about him?

9 MR. KASTER: Yes. How did that take  
10 place?

11 MS. RAMON: That he cashed the checks  
12 at the store?

13 MR. KASTER: No. There was one time  
14 that Mr. Yzaguirre gave him cash instead of his pay-  
15 check. Did Mr. Garza give Mr. Yzaguirre those instruc-  
16 tions to do that?

17 MS. RAMON: Those instructions?

18 A(I) No.

19 Q Did you get all of your paycheck that month  
20 in cash that you were supposed to get?

21 A(I) It was all there.

22 Q Do you know if Mr. Yzaguirre signed your name  
23 to the check in question that you looked at a while ago?

24 A(I) I can't say that it was him. They can forge  
25 your signature and you don't know who it is.

1 Q Didn't it seem strange, Mr. Garza, that Mr.  
2 Yzaguirre gave you your money?

3 A(I) No, because I am hardly ever home and my wife  
4 is hardly ever home because her father is also sick and  
5 old, and when they go to my house they cannot find me  
6 or my wife.

7 Q Are you good friends with Mr. Yzaguirre?

8 MS. RAMON: He is saying he is a good  
9 friend.

10 Q How long have you known Mr. Yzaguirre?

11 A(I) I have been buying for my house for about six  
12 years.

13 MR. KASTER: I believe that's all, Mr.  
14 Chairman.

15 CHAIRMAN HALE: Mr. Laney?

16 MR. LANEY: Pass.

17 CHAIRMAN HALE: Ms. Weddington?

18 BY MS. WEDDINGTON:

19 Q Are you the only person who works at O. P.  
20 Carrillo's ranch during the week?

21 A(I) Yes.

22 Q How many people work there on weekends?

23 A(I) Sometimes five or six, and sometimes eight and  
24 ten.

25 Q Do you have a bank account?

1 A(I) No.

2 Q How much are you currently paid by O. P.  
3 Carrillo for your work at the ranch?

4 A(I) \$225.

5 Q Each week?

6 A No. Per month. Per month.

7 Q Has that always been your pay?

8 A(I) The whole year and a half I have worked there  
9 he has paid me that sum.

10 MS. WEDDINGTON: Pass the witness.

11 CHAIRMAN HALE: Mr. Chavez?

12 BY MR. CHAVEZ:

13 Q Mr. Garza, during the time that you have  
14 worked with O. P. Carrillo have you seen any county  
15 equipment on the ranch?

16 A(I) No.

17 Q You have not seen any graders?

18 MS. RAMON: I don't know what a grader  
19 is in Spanish. What is a grader in Spanish, Mr. Chavez?

20 MR. CHAVEZ: I think he knows what a  
21 back-hoe is.

22 Q Have you seen a back-hoe machine?

23 A(I) What is that?

24 Q It is a machine with a long arm that has kind  
25 of like a shovel.

1 A(I) No.

2 Q You have not seen any kind of equipment at all  
3 on the judge's ranch?

4 A(I) No.

5 MR. CHAVEZ: I don't have any other ques-  
6 tions, Mr. Chairman.

7 CHAIRMAN HALE: Are there further ques-  
8 tions?

9 Mr. Canales?

10 Mr. Maloney?

11 BY MR. MALONEY:

12 Q Mr. Garza, did you get a subpoena to come talk  
13 to us?

14 A(I) (The witness produced a document.)

15 Q When did you get that?

16 A(I) Yesterday about five o'clock. It says here.

17 Q You got it yesterday about five o'clock?

18 MS. RAMON: Yes.

19 Q When you got this paper who did you go talk to  
20 about the paper?

21 A(I) With no one.

22 Q How did you know to come here to this court-  
23 room?

24 A(I) My son told me. The ranger that gave me the  
25 paper told me to come here.



1 Q Did you tell Judge Carrillo you would not be  
2 able to work today?

3 A(I) I haven't seen Judge Carrillo.

4 Q You make \$225 per month while you work for  
5 the judge?

6 A(I) Yes.

7 Q How does he pay you? Does he pay you in cash  
8 or does he pay you in checks?

9 A(I) He pays with a check and he pays with cash.

10 Q What do you do with the check when he pays  
11 you?

12 A(I) I take it to the store. I cash it and pay  
13 for my food.

14 Q Does he give you one check a month?

15 A(I) Each month.

16 Q How much is that check for?

17 A(I) \$225.

18 Q Is that a check signed by Judge Carrillo?

19 A(I) Yes.

20 MR. MALONEY: That's all.

21 CHAIRMAN HALE: Mr. Canales?

22 BY MR. CANALES:

23 Q Mr. Garza, have there been any new fences  
24 built on Judge Carrillo's ranch in the last year and a  
25 half?

1 A(I) Yes.

2 Q About how much fence?

3 A(I) Two miles.

4 Q Where did he get the material to build the  
5 fence?

6 A(I) I don't know. He just brought them there and  
7 they were there. He bought the posts and the wire.

8 Q The judge did?

9 A(I) The judge bought them.

10 Q They were delivered to the ranch?

11 A(I) The man that sold them to him took them to  
12 the ranch.

13 Q Do you know from what store they were delivered?

14 A(I) There are trucks that come with this material  
15 selling it.

16 Q Have you ever been in a two story house on the  
17 judge's ranch?

18 A(I) Yes.

19 Q You have been inside?

20 A(I) Yes. I have gone inside.

21 Q Is the house finished on the inside?

22 A(I) He has two. He doesn't know which of the two.

23 (The witness was furnished Exhibit No. 24 by  
24 Mr. Canales.

25 MR. CANALES: Would you ask him if he

1 recognizes that picture?

2 A(I) Yes. It is on the road that goes to Freer and  
3 Hebbbronville.

4 Q Is it on the judge's ranch?

5 A(I) No. It is on his father's ranch.

6 Q It's on his father's ranch.

7 Is the house that is on the judge's ranch also  
8 a two story house?

9 A(I) Yes.

10 Q Is it a new house?

11 A(I) It is old.

12 Q Are there any new buildings on the judge's  
13 ranch?

14 A(I) No.

15 Q Does he live in any of the houses on the judge's  
16 ranch?

17 A(I) There is a house here and then a house over  
18 here, and then there is—the one house over here— One  
19 house over here is the judge's, and the house—

20 MR. CANALES: I think for the record we  
21 can say that he said there were several houses.

22 MS. RAMON: There are several houses there,  
23 and they don't go to Carrillos. That's what I understood.

24 Q Does the judge plant any grain?

25 A(I) In the year and a half I have been there he

1 hasn't planted anything.

2 Q Have you ever worked in Starr County?

3 A(I) No.

4 Q Have you ever seen any Caterpillars on the  
5 judge's ranch? Caterpillar tractors.

6 A(I) The tractors that are there are his.

7 Q But they're not Caterpillars?

8 A(I) He brought them from Corpus. .

9 Q There are two Caterpillar tractors on the  
10 ranch then?

11 A(I) One is on the ranch. One is working right  
12 now and the other is broken.

13 Q Where is the broken tractor?

14 A(I) They had lent both of them to George Parr  
15 and both of them were broken, and they fixed one.

16 Q I want to know where the one that is being  
17 repaired is?

18 A(I) It's in the shop in San Diego.

19 Q In the county shop at San Diego?

20 A(I) I don't know where. They just said "the shop."

21 Q Is there any other machinery on the ranch  
22 besides those two Caterpillars?

23 A(I) No.

24 Q A pickup?

25 A(I) Just the one that I am in.

1 Q Are there any welding machines?

2 A(I) No.

3 Q Are there any farm tractors for plowing?

4 A(I) Yes.

5 Q How many?

6 A(I) Two.

7 Q Does he have a posthole digging attachment?

8 A(I) He has a big one and then he has a larger one.

9 Q Do these operate on the farm tractors?

10 MS. RAMON: Pardon me?

11 Q Do they operate on the farm tractors? Are  
12 they attached to the farm tractors?

13 A(I) No.

14 Q Are they used with the farm tractor?

15 A(I) The tractors are old, and they don't use them  
16 for this.

17 MR. CANALES: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.  
18 I give up.

19 CHAIRMAN HALE: Well, you're not alone,  
20 Counsel. You're not alone.

21 Have the reporter mark this.

22 (The instrument was  
23 marked "EXHIBIT-69"  
for identification.)

24 CHAIRMAN HALE: Show it to the witness.  
25 (Exhibit 69 was shown to the witness.)

1 BY CHAIRMAN HALE:

2 Q Mr. Garza, I hand you a sheet of paper that's  
3 been marked as Exhibit No. 69.

4 I have indicated by red check mark a place  
5 on which purports to be your signature.

6 Is that your signature?

7 A(I) No, it's not.

8 Q Fine. Thank you.

9 CHAIRMAN HALE: Let the record reflect  
10 that Exhibit 69 is a claim for payment against Duval  
11 County for \$225 dated September 7, 1973, purportedly  
12 signed by Patricio Garza, and sworn to before a notary  
13 public, Jose H. Saenz.

14 Put it in the record.

15 Are there any further questions of this witness?

16 MR. CANALES: Mr. Chairman, could we ask  
17 him how he got up here?

18 CHAIRMAN HALE: What form of transportation  
19 did you use in coming to Austin?

20 A(I) In a car.

21 CHAIRMAN HALE: Your car?

22 A(I) No.

23 CHAIRMAN HALE: Whose car?

24 A(I) I came with a ride.

25 CHAIRMAN HALE: With whom?

1 A(I) Lolo Sanchez. I asked others who were coming.  
2 Lolo Sanchez.

3 CHAIRMAN HALE: Was it a Cadillac auto-  
4 mobile?

5 A(I) It could be, but I didn't notice. We came at  
6 night.

7 CHAIRMAN HALE: Mr. Garza, the Chair  
8 wants to advise you that you are entitled to reimburse-  
9 ment for any expenses you've been out as a result of  
10 coming to Austin.

11 As soon as the Committee meeting terminates,  
12 which will be shortly, if you will confer with Mr.  
13 Johnson he will assist you in filling out the necessary  
14 forms.

15 (Interpreted by Ms. Ramon.)

16 CHAIRMAN HALE: And I dare say, Edna,  
17 they will need your assistance, too.

18 Mr. Garza, you will remain under subpoena to  
19 the Committee.

20 MS. RAMON: Do I have to do this word  
21 for word?

22 CHAIRMAN HALE: You tell him in Spanish  
23 so that he will know what I'm telling him.

24 Mr. Canales, can you help her? Or Mr. Chavez?

25 (Interpreted by Mr. Chavez.)

1 CHAIRMAN HALE: You're still under sub-  
2 poena; however the Chair is advising you that you can go  
3 home and go about your business with the knowledge that  
4 if we need you further we will notify you. If you  
5 receive such a notice you must come back to Austin to  
6 appear before the Committee.

7 If you do not receive such a notice you can go  
8 about your business and forget it.

9 (Interpreted by Mr. Chavez.)

10 CHAIRMAN HALE: Do you understand what I  
11 told you?

12 Ms. RAMON: I won't say what he said.

13 MR. CHAVEZ: He understands.

14 CHAIRMAN HALE: On behalf of the Committee,  
15 I'd like to thank you for your appearance here and for  
16 your testimony.

17 A(I) Thank you, sir.

18 CHAIRMAN HALE: You are excused at this  
19 time.

20 (The witness, Mr. Patricio Garza, was excused.)

21 CHAIRMAN HALE: Is there any further  
22 business to come before the Committee today?

23 MR. MITCHELL: Mr. Chairman, I hate to be  
24 a nuisance, but I would like to get copies of the trans-  
25 cript of the testimony if I could, and I was wondering



1 if I could have permission to have copies of that  
2 portion of the testimony that has been transcribed today.

3 CHAIRMAN HALE: The Chair will talk to  
4 you about it later, Mr. Mitchell.

5 MR. MITCHELL: If it would be permissible  
6 I'd like to turn over my documentation to the court  
7 reporter to have them marked as per our blueprint to  
8 sort of introduce them next week.

9 CHAIRMAN HALE: That will be fine, Mr.  
10 Mitchell. That will be fine.

11 I'm sure you just endeared yourself to the  
12 court reporter.

13 Is there any further business to come before  
14 the committee today?

15 The Chair would ask all members of the committee  
16 to stand by for just a moment after we recess, just for  
17 a little private consultation with the Chair.

18 Mr. Maloney moves that the Committee stand  
19 recessed until 1:30 o'clock p.m., on Tuesday, June 10,  
20 1975.

21 Is there any objection?

22 The Chair hears none, and the Committee stands  
23 recessed until 1:30 p.m., Tuesday, June 10, 1975.

24 (Whereupon, the Committee was recessed.)  
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