

## Assassination Records Review Board Final Determination Notification

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MEMORANDUM  
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TO: Mr. Sprague

FROM: Bob Lehner

DATE: December 23, 1976

SUBJECT: Cornish F. Hitchcock

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Hall Counsel MK  
15, 800  
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Mr. Hitchcock is a very bright young man. He graduated from the Georgetown University Law Center in May, 1975. He then clerked for a Connecticut Supreme Court judge for a year. He did part-time work for Representative McKinney and is now working with a small Washington, D.C. law firm making \$200 a week.

I was impressed with his willingness to work hard and his ability to fend off pointed questions.

I recommend we take him.

RJL

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Select Committee on Assassinations  
U.S. House of Representatives  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20515

Left message to have Cornish F.  
Hitchcock to call me...his office  
said it would be Tuesday a.m.

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3 Select Committee on Assassinations  
U.S. House of Representatives  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20515

12/7/76

Answers for file  
Sue to Councils

Kivian:

Please note and  
pass on to Fleney.

— Thanks!

Dowden

HITCHCOCK

STEWART B. MCKINNEY  
4TH DISTRICT, CONNECTICUT

504 CANNON HOUSE OFFICE BUILDING

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DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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ATTORNEY  
Congress of the United States  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

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December 2, 1976

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Select Committee on Assassinations  
Room 3342  
Attention: Richard Feeney

Dear Rick:

Con Hitchcock is very interested in working on the committee's legal staff. I had hoped to convince him to work on my staff, but he declined. I recommend him very highly. His work is superior and he has a reputation as a tireless worker.

I would hope an interview could be arranged for Monday, December 6. Thanks for your assistance.

Sincerely,



Stewart B. McKinney, M.C.

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THIS STATIONERY PRINTED ON PAPER MADE WITH RECYCLED FIBERS

(Please Use Typewriter  
or Ballpoint Pen)**U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

Washington, D.C. 20515

(Any erasures, corrections, or changes  
on this form must be initiated by the  
authorizing official.)**To the Clerk of the House of Representatives:**

I hereby authorize the following payroll action:

Employee Name (First-Middle-Last)	Effective Date
Cornish F. Hitchcock	6/7/77
Employee Social Security Number	Type of Action
<b>042-40-0959</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Appointment <input type="checkbox"/> Salary Adjustment <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Termination (At close of business on effective date)
Employing Office or Committee	
Assassinations	

(If type of action is an Appointment or Salary Adjustment, complete the following information.)

Position Title	Gross Annual Salary

(If Committee Employee, complete appropriate item below.)

1.  Standing Committee: Staff— Clerical or  Professional.
2.  Special or Select Committee: Authority—H. Res. **465** of **95th** Congress.
3.  Joint Committee.

(If Employee of an Officer of the House, complete item below.)

Position Number \_\_\_\_\_ If applicable, Level \_\_\_\_\_ Step \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that this authorization is not in violation of 5 U.S.C. 3110(b), prohibiting the employment of relatives.

Date

June 7, 1977

(Signature of Authorizing Official)

Louis Stokes

(Type or print name of Authorizing Official)

Chairman

(Title—If Member, District and State)

All appointments and salary adjustments for employees under the House Classification Act and for Committee employees, except those of the Committee on Appropriations, the Committee on the Budget, and the Joint Committees, must be approved by the Committee on House Administration.

APPROVED:

Chairman, Committee on House Administration

Office of Finance use only:

Office Code \_\_\_\_\_

Monthly Annuity \$ **1,100.00**

Copy for Initiating Office or Committee

June 16, 1977

Mr. Cornish F. Hitchcock  
1552 33rd Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20007

Dear Con:

I want you to know how much the Committee and I appreciate your service and how much we regret that you will no longer be a member of the staff.

You have our best wishes always.

Sincerely yours,

Louis Stokes  
Chairman

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1552 33rd Street, NW  
Washington, D.C. 20007  
2 June 1977

Hon. Louis Stokes  
Chairman  
Select Committee on Assassinations  
2455 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Chairman:

I hereby resign from the staff of the Select Committee, effective the close of business on 7 June 1977.

Very truly yours,

  
Cornish F. Hitchcock

cc: Thomas Lambeth,  
Acting Director

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U.S. HOUSE SELECT  
COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS

1552 33rd Street, NW  
Washington, D.C. 20007  
2 June 1977

Hon. Louis Stokes  
Chairman  
Select Committee on Assassinations  
2455 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Chairman:

I hereby resign from the staff of the Select Committee, effective the close of business on 7 June 1977.

Very truly yours,

*Cornish F. Hitchcock*  
Cornish F. Hitchcock

cc: Thomas Lambeth,  
Acting Director

MEMORANDUM

TO: Tom Lambeth

FROM: Robert J. Lehner

DATE: May 26, 1977

SUBJECT: Con Hitchcock

*of  
RJL*

This is to request a salary adjustment from \$15,000 to \$20,000 per year for Con Hitchcock. Mr. Hitchcock was hired in December at a salary of \$15,000. The thought of the then Staff Director and Chief Counsel was that after members of the staff were working here for a period of time and we were able to evaluate their work, salary adjustments would be made. Unfortunately those salary adjustments were never made because of the delay in reconstituting and re-budgeting the Committee.

Mr. Hitchcock graduated from Law School in 1975. The only other attorney on the King Task Force that graduated that year was Sheila Jackson Lee. Her salary is \$23,000 per year.

Mr. Hitchcock has demonstrated a quick ability to assimilate factual situations, gives insightful legal analysis of those situations and writes cogently in these areas. He is a definite asset to our team and one of the brightest people we have on the staff.

I had recommended to Al Lewis this same adjustment. Mr. Lewis agreed and was prepared to make that recommendation to the Committee.

For the above reasons, I hereby recommend Mr. Hitchcock's salary adjustment be made forthwith.

RJL:ek

*RJL*

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or Ballpoint Pen)**U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**  
Washington, D.C. 20515(Any erasures, corrections, or changes  
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I hereby authorize the following payroll action:

Employee Name (First-Middle-Last)	Effective Date
Cornish F. Hitchcock	6/1/77
Employee Social Security Number	Type of Action
042 40 0959	<input type="checkbox"/> Appointment <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Salary Adjustment <input type="checkbox"/> Termination (At close of business on effective date)
Employing Office or Committee	
Assassinations	

(If type of action is an Appointment or Salary Adjustment, complete the following information.)

Position Title	Gross Annual Salary
	\$20,000

(If Committee Employee, complete appropriate item below.)

1.  Standing Committee: Staff -  Clerical or  Professional.
2.  Special or Select Committee: Authority - H. Res. 465 of 95th Congress.
3.  Joint Committee.

(If Employee of an Officer of the House, complete item below.)

Position Number \_\_\_\_\_ If applicable, Level \_\_\_\_\_ Step \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that this authorization is not in violation of 5 U.S.C. 3110(b), prohibiting the employment of relatives.

Date

June 1 1977

(Signature of Authorizing Official)

Louis Stokes

(Type or print name of Authorizing Official)

Chairman

(Title - If Member, District and State)

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APPROVED:

Chairman, Committee on House Administration

Office of Finance use only:

Office Code \_\_\_\_\_

Monthly Annuity \$\_\_\_\_\_ .00

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Washington, D.C. 20515(Any erasures, corrections, or changes  
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authorizing official.)**To the Clerk of the House of Representatives:**

I hereby authorize the following payroll action:

Employee Name (First-Middle-Last)	Effective Date
Cornish F. Hitchcock	5/1/77
Employee Social Security Number	Type of Action
042 40 0950	<input type="checkbox"/> Appointment <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Salary Adjustment <input type="checkbox"/> Termination (At close of business on effective date)
Employing Office or Committee	
Assassinations	

(If type of action is an Appointment or Salary Adjustment, complete the following information.)

Position Title	Gross Annual Salary
	\$15,000

(If Committee Employee, complete appropriate item below.)

1.  Standing Committee: Staff -  Clerical or  Professional.
2.  Special or Select Committee: Authority - H.R. Res. 465 of 95th Congress.
3.  Joint Committee.

(If Employee of an Officer of the House, complete item below.)

Position Number \_\_\_\_\_ If applicable, Level \_\_\_\_\_ Step \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that this authorization is not in violation of 5 U.S.C. 3110(b), prohibiting the employment of relatives.

Date

May 10, 1977

(Signature of Authorizing Official)

Louis Stokes

(Type or print name of Authorizing Official)

Chairman

(Title - If Member, District and State)

All appointments and salary adjustments for employees under the House Classification Act and for Committee employees, except those of the Committee on Appropriations, the Committee on the Budget, and the Joint Committees, must be approved by the Committee on House Administration.

APPROVED:

Chairman, Committee on House Administration

Office of Finance use only:

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Monthly Annuity \$ \_\_\_\_\_ .00

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Washington, D.C. 20515(Any erasures, corrections, or changes  
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authorizing official.)**To the Clerk of the House of Representatives:**

I hereby authorize the following payroll action:

Employee Name (First-Middle-Last)	Effective Date
Cornish F. Hitchcock	4/1/77
Employee Social Security Number	Type of Action
042-40-0959	<input type="checkbox"/> Appointment <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Salary Adjustment <input type="checkbox"/> Termination (At close of business on effective date)
Employing Office or Committee	
Assassinations	

(If type of action is an Appointment or Salary Adjustment, complete the following information.)

Position Title	Gross Annual Salary
	\$30,000

(If Committee Employee, complete appropriate item below.)

1.  Standing Committee: Staff— Clerical or  Professional.
2.  Special or Select Committee: Authority—H. Res. 465 of 95th Congress.
3.  Joint Committee.

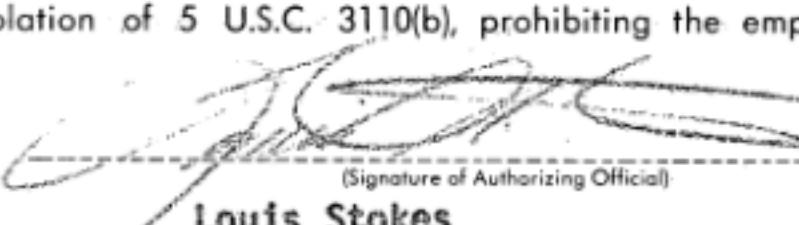
(If Employee of an Officer of the House, complete item below.)

Position Number \_\_\_\_\_ If applicable, Level \_\_\_\_\_ Step \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that this authorization is not in violation of 5 U.S.C. 3110(b), prohibiting the employment of relatives.

Date April 29, 1977

(Signature of Authorizing Official)

  
Louis Stokes

(Type or print name of Authorizing Official)

Chairman

(Title - If Member, District and State)

All appointments and salary adjustments for employees under the House Classification Act and for Committee employees, except those of the Committee on Appropriations, the Committee on the Budget, and the Joint Committees, must be approved by the Committee on House Administration.

APPROVED:

Chairman, Committee on House Administration

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Washington, D.C. 20515(Any erasures, corrections, or changes  
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authorizing official.)

## To the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

I hereby authorize the following payroll action:

Employee Name (First-Middle-Last)	Effective Date
Cornish F. Hitchcock	1/3/77
Employee Social Security Number	Type of Action
<b>042 40 0990</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Appointment <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Salary Adjustment <input type="checkbox"/> Termination (At close of business on effective date)
Employing Office or Committee	
Select Committee on Assassinations	

(If type of action is an Appointment or Salary Adjustment, complete the following information.)

Position Title	Gross Annual Salary
	\$10,000.

(If Committee Employee, complete appropriate item below.)

1.  Standing Committee: Staff -  Clerical or  Professional. 95th
2.  Special or Select Committee: Authority - H. Res. 11 of 95th Congress.
3.  Joint Committee.

(If Employee of an Officer of the House, complete item below.)

Position Number \_\_\_\_\_ If applicable, Level \_\_\_\_\_ Step \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that this authorization is not in violation of 5 U.S.C. 3110(b), prohibiting the employment of relatives.

Date 1977

(Signature of Authorizing Official)

**Henry B. Gonzalez**

(Type or print name of Authorizing Official)

**Chairman**

(Title - If Member, District and State)

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APPROVED:

Chairman, Committee on House Administration

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Washington, D.C. 20515

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## To the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

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Employee Name (First-Middle-Last)	Effective Date
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Employee Social Security Number	Type of Action
<b>542-40-0959</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Appointment <input type="checkbox"/> Salary Adjustment <input type="checkbox"/> Termination (At close of business on effective date)
Employing Office or Committee	
Select Committee on Assassinations	

(If type of action is an Appointment or Salary Adjustment, complete the following information.)

Position Title	Gross Annual Salary
Staff Counsel	\$15,000

(If Committee Employee, complete appropriate item below.)

1.  Standing Committee: Staff -  Clerical or  Professional.
2.  Special or Select Committee: Authority - H. Res. **1540** of **94th** Congress.
3.  Joint Committee.

(If Employee of an Officer of the House, complete item below.)

Position Number \_\_\_\_\_ If applicable, Level \_\_\_\_\_ Step \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that this authorization is not in violation of 5 U.S.C. 3110(b), prohibiting the employment of relatives.

Date December 30, 1976

(Signature of Authorizing Official)

Thomas N. Downing, Chairman

(Type or print name of Authorizing Official)

Select Committee on Assassinations

(Title - If Member, District and State)

All appointments and salary adjustments for employees under the House Classification Act and for Committee employees, except those of the Committee on Appropriations, the Committee on the Budget, and the Joint Committees, must be approved by the Committee on House Administration.

APPROVED:

Chairman, Committee on House Administration

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Monthly Annuity \$ _____ .00

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M E M O R A N D U M

TO: All Staff Employees  
FROM: Budget Officer  
DATE: January 3, 1977  
RE: Payroll Certification

Starting with the January, 1977 payroll, the certification to the House Finance Office requires, among other things, the relationship, if any, of each staff employee to any current Member of Congress (those taking office January 3, 1977).

The following are the relationships to be included in the certification:

father	nephew	brother-in-law
mother	niece	sister-in-law
son	husband	stepfather
daughter	wife	stepmother
brother	father-in-law	stepbrother
sister	mother-in-law	stepsister
uncle	son-in-law	half-brother
aunt	daughter-in-law	half-sister
first cousin		

All staff employees are requested to complete this form and return it to the Budget officer.

Approved  
Richard A. Sprague

I am not related

I am related by the following relationship

*Richard J. Hitchcock*  
Signature of Employee HITCHCOCK

10 January 1977  
Date

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(CON) RESUME  
Cornish F. Hitchcock

## Local Address:

1767 SWANN ST, NW  
Washington, D.C. 20009

Telephone: (202) 234-5686

Bar memberships: Admitted to Connecticut and Second Circuit bars,  
October 1975.Application for membership in District of Columbia  
bar pending.

\$200/week

EMPLOYMENTNov. 76 to present: Law firm of William A. Dobrovir, 2005 L St., NW  
Wash., DC 20036  
785-8919September 1976 to November 1976 in re-election campaign of Representative  
Stewart B. McKinney (R-Conn.), Fairfield, Conn.June 1975  
to July 1976

\$13,000

Law clerk to Justice John P. Cotter, Supreme Court  
of Connecticut, Hartford, Conn. Duties included  
legal research and writing and service as secre-  
tary to the state wiretap panel.September 1974  
to May 1975Part-time law clerk in public interest law firm of  
William A. Dobrovir and Associates, Washington,  
D.C.September 1973  
to September 1974Part-time legislative aide to Rep. Stewart B. McKinney,  
Washington, D.C.June 1973  
to September 1973Research assistant for American Judicature Society,  
Chicago, Ill. Researched, wrote and edited arti-  
cles for Society magazine and compiled "Selected  
Readings: Judicial Selection and Tenure."Summers 1970  
through 1972Editor, The Chicago Maroon (student newspaper), Chi-  
cago, Ill.EDUCATIONAugust 1972  
to May 1975GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY LAW CENTER, WASHINGTON, D.C.  
J.D. received in May 1975.Graduated in top third of class. General courses  
of study pursued, with emphasis on litigation,  
constitutional law and antitrust.Appellate litigation clinical seminar: Only student  
to argue three cases in D.C. Circuit, including  
United States v. Agurs, 510 F.2d 1249, reh. en  
banc denied, 520 F.2d 82 (1975), rev'd., 96 S. Ct.  
2392 (1976). Also participated in writing United  
States v. Hall, 525 F.2d 857 (D.C. Cir. 1976).

Resume  
Cornish F. Hitchcock  
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Research assistant to Professor Richard H. Chused  
in case of United States v. Johnson, decided sub  
nom., United States v. Bridgeman, 523 F.2d 1099  
(D.C. Cir. 1975).

Law club teaching fellow: taught legal research and  
writing principles to seminar of first year law  
students.

September 1968  
to June 1972

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS  
B.A. received in June 1972.  
Graduated in top third of class with major in history,  
especially American and British.  
Editor-in-chief, The Chicago Maroon (student news-  
paper).  
Recipient of Murray Alumni Award for contributions  
to extracurricular life.  
Member, senior men's honorary society.  
Member, faculty-student advisory committees.

September 1964  
to June 1968

THE HOTCHKISS SCHOOL, LAKEVILLE, CONNECTICUT  
Graduated in June 1968.  
Ranked in top quarter of class, received school  
prize and academic prizes in classics.

REFERENCES AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST

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Select Committee on Assassinations

U.S. House of Representatives

3341 HOUSE OFFICE BUILDING, ANNEX 2

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20515

December 10, 1976

The Honorable Stewart B. McKinney  
U. S. House of Representatives  
Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Mr. McKinney:

Thank you for your letter of December 2, 1976 and the accompanying resume of Mr. Cornish F. Hitchcock.

I have given Mr. Hitchcock's resume to the Deputy Chief Counsel and have told them of your interest. I am sure they will be in touch with him soon and I am hopeful that they will offer him a position.

With warm regards, I am

Sincerely,

RICHARD J. FEENEY

RJF/st