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Mrs. VIRGINIA BOWMAKER, 5809 South Minnie, was interviewed, and she advised as follows:

She was formerly employed at the T-Bone Night Club, Wichita, Kansas, from August 1962, to August 1963. During her employment there she recalled hearing another employee, name unrecalled, make a statement that JACK RUBY, the owner of some night clubs in Dallas, Texas, was or had been in the T-Bone. Mrs. BOWMAKER denied that she knew this person stating that the only information she can recall is that RUBY supposedly was there to see a "stripper" called "PRECIOUS DIAMOND."

BOWMAKER denied that she was familiar with any of the entertainers who had previously appeared at the T-Bone Club other than a former "stripper" known as GAIL RAVEN, who stayed at the BOWMAKER residence on one occasion. She advised she still writes to this person and directs her letters to GAIL RAVEN, c/o Mrs. JOHN FINCH, Box 332, Woodsboro, Texas. BOWMAKER denied that she knew RUBY or could furnish any information about him.

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THELMA CORNWELL, 4635 1/2 South Broadway, advised as follows:

She was formerly employed at the T-Bone Night Club in Wichita, Kansas, from April 1961, to November 1963. During this period of time a man was pointed out to her as being JACK RUBY, the owner or operator of some Dallas, Texas, night clubs, as being a customer of the T-Bone. She denied knowing the dates he was in the club or who pointed him out to her, but was of the opinion this happened on only one or two occasions. She did recall serving dinner to RUBY on an unrecalled evening at the club and described RUBY as a "dumpy little fat man."

CORNWELL stated that she was of the opinion the night she served RUBY he was with or waiting for an exotic dancer known as "Precious Diamond" who was then employed at the T-Bone. She stated she thought this was about Christmas-time, 1962, because it was about the time of the Christmas parties. CORNWELL also recalled that VIRGIL PEEL, who works at the Boeing Company, and who also operates the private club known as the Westair Private Club, located in the Town and Country Motel, West 54 Highway, Wichita, claimed that RUBY gave him a card for one of his clubs in Dallas at that time. PEEL was at that time also employed at the T-Bone. CORNWELL said she did not recall seeing RUBY talk to or visit anyone other than the dancer. CORNWELL denied that she could furnish any other information regarding RUBY, his associates, or his reason for being in Wichita, Kansas.

CORNWELL suggested that if anyone wanted to contact "Precious Diamond" she could probably be contacted through the agent, JACK COLE, 515 Interurban Building, Dallas, Texas.

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