

AFFIDAVIT OF  
THOMAS HENRY TATTERSALL, SELF ADMITTED HOMOSEXUAL  
MADE TO THE U. S. CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION  
ON APRIL 7, 1955

Mr. Tattersall was formerly employed by the Department of Commerce, National Production Authority. He was removed on March 25, 1953 for abandonment of position. On March 6, 1954 Mr. Tattersall was barred for three years by the U. S. Civil Service Commission. He was originally contacted April 2, 1955 by Investigator John J. Lavery when his name appeared in a CID report mentioning the subject of a case under investigation.

I, Thomas H. Tattersall, residing at 4817 36th Street, N.W., being of sound mind and duly sworn hereby depose and say:

[REDACTED] now employed by the Department of Labor is definitely a homosexual. I have seen him in acts orally, in the Central Theatre and in the Departmental auditorium in the Labor Department. I have known him since 1938 and he has always been homosexual. He specializes in young men under twenty-one. He makes the Central Theatre on 9th Street his hangout. I've observed him in acts on innumerable occasions. He is the type who sees a young soldier or sailor on the street and tries to make a pick-up.

[REDACTED], employed at the Bureau of Labor Statistics, Department of Labor, is definitely a homosexual. I have observed him in innumerable oral acts primarily with white men but also with colored men in the Washington Building men's room and also in the men's room in the basement of the Old Post Office Building. He has a car and drives around DuPont Circle trying to make pick-ups. Since the closing of the Washington Building and the Old Post Office Building the men go to the Departmental Auditorium of the Department of Labor. [REDACTED] has had acts with [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] This individual is sandy-haired and lives in Southeast, Washington. [REDACTED] knows [REDACTED], now employed at Coast and Geodetic Survey at the Department of Commerce and also [REDACTED], formerly of T.A.G.O. of the Department of Defense, both of whom are homosexuals. He is also associated with [REDACTED], who is a [REDACTED] at the Coast and Geodetic Survey of the Department of Commerce, who is also a homosexual. I have seen him in the Washington Building men's room frequently engaging in homosexual acts. [REDACTED] also knows [REDACTED] [REDACTED] also engages in acts with colored men, but will also take on a white man. He frequented the men's room of the Washington and I have observed him in innumerable acts of oral homosexuality. He also takes trips to New York and frequents the Mount Morris Turkish Baths which caters to both white and colored men. He goes to New York for a week at a time and sleeps at the Sloan House all day and stays at the Turkish Bath all night. I also seen him in acts in the men's room of the Old Post Office Building in acts of oral homosexuality. He also frequents the Victoria Theatre in New York.

I also knew [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] to be lesbians. I could identify them by their photographs or in person. I have seen them in a restaurant in Georgetown and also in an apartment in Georgetown. On the occasion in the apartment in Georgetown [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] went into the bedroom. They were well known in the lesbian world. I also know [REDACTED] to be a lesbian. She likes both men and women. [REDACTED] is also a lesbian. I have heard that [REDACTED] who is also employed at the Federal Housing Administration, I heard through [REDACTED] is gay. I have also heard that [REDACTED] or [REDACTED] is a lesbian. I heard this through the homosexual crowd.

[REDACTED], who is employed at the Commerce Department, [REDACTED] made a pass while in the service

and received an undesirable discharge. He later had it reversed and got an honorable discharge. He is known to me to be homosexual and lives with a man named [REDACTED], who was also employed by [REDACTED] and is now employed by the Federal Public Housing Authority [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] is also known to me to be a homosexual and he and [REDACTED] have been having an affair for years. They now live together somewhere in Virginia. There is also a man by the name of [REDACTED], who works in [REDACTED] Department of Commerce, who is known to me to be homosexual. I have observed him in the men's room of the Washington Building. He is partial to colored men. He is an accountant, GS-11.

[REDACTED] Department of Commerce is known to me to be homosexual. He goes in for soldiers and sailors. I observed him pick up a soldier on F. Street, N.W. [REDACTED] then went over to the Harrington Hotel and registered. This occurred in 1953 or 1954. [REDACTED] went into the room and somewhat later the soldier went into the hotel. [REDACTED] also frequents the men's room at the Union Station and the second floor men's room at Neisners 5&10 Store. I have never observed him in an act although I almost caught him in an act at Neisners. [REDACTED] is an obvious homosexual.

[REDACTED] is known to me to be definitely homosexual. He goes in for trade. He operates in the men's room of the Roslyn Theatre and the Plaza in Baltimore. These are notorious homosexual hangouts in Baltimore. [REDACTED] also goes to Baltimore. They cruise the theatres in Washington. CAWIS

[REDACTED] I.C.C. is known to me to be homosexual. He goes in for young soldiers and sailors. He hangs out at the Pink Elephant and Carrols Bar on 9th Street between D and E. Streets, N.W. He also frequents the Famous Restaurant and Harry's. He is usually there Friday or Saturday. He is bald-headed and wears glasses. He lives on [REDACTED]. I observed him in a room in the Harrington Hotel in an oral act with a serviceman.

[REDACTED], a native of [REDACTED] who is [REDACTED] in the [REDACTED] of the Department of the Army and is a grade 13 or 14. [REDACTED] lives with a homosexual in Prince Georges County, who is a former serviceman who was recently in [REDACTED] Hospital. [REDACTED] has had affairs with two Italian nationals who are employed by the [REDACTED]. They are [REDACTED] and [REDACTED], who are both known to me to be homosexuals. Acts took place in the [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] also knew [REDACTED] who was with the [REDACTED] and defected to the Iron Curtain countries. He also knew [REDACTED] and visited with those two and had affairs with them. They are homosexuals. Since 1950 [REDACTED] has not operated in the downtown, Washington, D.C. area but prior to that he operated in the Hamilton Hotel. He is also associated with [REDACTED]. I have been in the company of

[redacted] and [redacted] prior to the time [redacted] left the country. We went to the [redacted] and [redacted] together.

[redacted] at the General Accounting Office, is known to me to be homosexual. He is living at the [redacted] with a homosexual whose name I do not know. White is also associated with [redacted] and [redacted]. He operates in his apartment. I have seen him in oral acts on numerous occasions. The fellow who lives with him is from Pennsylvania and is of foreign extraction. He was also friendly with an Italian who was investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation for homosexuality.

[redacted] who works for the Civil Service Commission was extremely friendly with a man who worked for the General Accounting Office in the Old Moses Building. This man was homosexual and was friendly with [redacted]. [redacted] might know [redacted]. I know [redacted] to be homosexual through associations with other homosexuals.

[redacted] is known to me to be gay. I have never seen him in an act but I heard from various homosexual sources that [redacted] is homosexual.

The present owner of the [redacted] whose name I can't recall is gay. I heard this from various people in Georgetown who are homosexuals.

[redacted], now with [redacted] in Paris is known to me to be homosexual, through his associations and through various homosexual sources. [redacted] the Library of Congress is also known to me to be homosexual through his associations and through various homosexual sources.

[redacted], [redacted] and [redacted] of the Library of Congress are known to me to be homosexual through their association with homosexuals and through various homosexual sources. Their interests were in art, music, sculpture and the like.

I have had acts or affairs with [redacted]. I was active. This was prior to March 8, 1954. This was oral. This act or acts, 2 or 3 times took place at the Hamilton Hotel. On a couple of occasions [redacted] and I had acts at his apartment at [redacted]. He was active in an oral act on me. I also had oral acts both actively and passively with [redacted] of the British Embassy.

I have participated in oral acts at the [redacted]. I don't recall who with. [redacted] is purely active. He goes in strictly for trade. I didn't like [redacted] but he got me in a corner on two occasions and was active in an oral act on me.

[redacted] and I never had an act but he has put his hands on my penis in the file room at the [redacted]. I had a mutual oral act with [redacted] in the Washington Building on two or three occasions. I have had acts with Milton Wells, both active and passive orally in the Harrington Hotel.

[redacted] Court of Appeals of the District of Columbia is known to me to be homosexual and I have witnessed affairs by him, orally, with [redacted] and [redacted]. I have had acts with [redacted] at his house on [redacted].

He had a lover in the Agriculture Department. He was in [redacted] for them for three or four years. When he came back and was transferred to [redacted] and I believe he is still working for Agriculture in [redacted]. I have had acts with [redacted] both actively and passively in Georgetown at his place.

I have read the foregoing statement consisting of twelve (12) hand written pages and find it true and complete to the best of my belief. No promises of immunity, threats or duress have been employed during this interview.

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Thomas H. Tattersall

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME  
THIS 7th DAY OF APRIL, 1955, A.D.

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John E. Main, Investigator,  
U.S. Civil Service Commission

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John J. Lavery, Investigator  
U. S. Civil Service Commission



It is also common knowledge that [REDACTED] is homosexual.

There is another fellow over at the Department of Defense in [REDACTED] by the name of [REDACTED] who is homosexual.

[REDACTED], whom I mentioned yesterday is soon going to White Sands, New Mexico. His roommate's first name is [REDACTED] and he too is employed at the Pentagon.

[REDACTED] is a lesbian and can further be identified by a friend of mine who I'll contact. [REDACTED] used to be quite friendly with [REDACTED], who used to own the [REDACTED] and is known to be gay.

[REDACTED] (identified through a photograph) is a homosexual whom I believe I met at the Mayflower. I have had relations with him on various occasions.

[REDACTED] (identified through a photograph) I have known quite well. He is friendly with [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] is a homosexual. [REDACTED] the Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia.

Robert J. Richards (identified through a photograph) is a homosexual and I have had relations with him on many occasions. He has picked me up at LaFayette Park and at other homosexual hangouts.

[REDACTED] is a homosexual (identified through a photograph) with him the acts have been passive on my part. He hangs out at Martens in Georgetown.

[REDACTED] (identified by photograph) is a homosexual with whom I have had relations.

[REDACTED] (Identified by photograph) is a homosexual with whom I have had relations.

I have read the foregoing statement consisting of five (5) hand written pages and it is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Thomas H. Tattersall

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME  
THIS EIGHTH DAY OF APRIL, 1955, A.D.  
at WASHINGTON, D.C.

John J. Lavery, Investigator  
U. S. Civil Service Commission

Louis T. Williams, Investigator  
U.S. Civil Service Commission

Don. A. [REDACTED], Investigator, [REDACTED]

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Files,

DATE: April 8, 1955

FROM : John J. Lavery, Investigator  
Washington Investigations Section

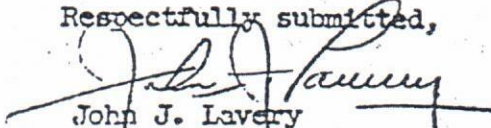
SUBJECT:

On this date, at approximately 12:30, Confidential Informant "A" in the office of the undersigned made a telephone call to Mr. ██████████ at the Department of the Interior on Extension ██████████. This telephone conversation was monitored by the undersigned. During the course of the conversation, in which various homosexual terms were used, Confidential Informant "A" asked ██████████ how his friend upstairs was. Mr. ██████████ replied that he was feeling better and then Confidential Informant "A" asked, "Does he still have the whiskey which you gave him?" to which Mr. ██████████ replied in the affirmative. (prior to calling Mr. ██████████ by phone, Confidential Informant "A" told this Investigator that Mr. ██████████ was a homosexual and was engaged in homosexual activities with a Cryptanalyst at the National Security Agency but that he did not know the name of the individual at the National Security Agency.)

Confidential Informant "A" stated to Mr. ██████████ that he believed that he had seen a friend of his, ██████████'s, the other evening. He asked ██████████ if this fellow was blond to which Mr. ██████████ replied, "No, he is brown-haired." Confidential Informant "A" then asked, "Does he have a sports car?" to which ██████████ replied, "Yes, a red convertible." Mr. ██████████ further stated that this individual at the National Security Agency was very French-appearing. Confidential Informant "A" asked Mr. ██████████ the name of this individual to which ██████████ replied, "██████████." The undersigned, at the date of the writing of this memorandum, does not know whether this is the correct spelling of the individual at the National Security Agency. At the close of the conversation, Mr. ██████████ asked Confidential Informant "A" if he was going to be downtown to which Confidential Informant "A" replied in the affirmative. Consequently, ██████████ said that he would meet Confidential Informant "A" at 5:30 that evening in front of St. Patrick's Church.

While monitoring the conversation, it was the opinion of this Investigator that the tone of the conversation and the tone of voice of Mr. ██████████ was definitely homosexual. ██████████ also said that the employee of the National Security Agency was in a sensitive position and had been under investigation for approximately six months and cleared for TOP SECRET. He stated that the individual employed by the National Security Agency was decoding for that agency.

Respectfully submitted,

  
John J. Lavery  
Investigator