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TAGS: CARR, (LAYTON, LARRY), (PEOPLE'S TEMPLE)

SUBJ: W/W ARREST: LARRY LAYTON

REF: GEORGETOWN 0909

FOR DEPARTMENT'S INFORMATION, HERE ARE THE SIX REASONS,
PUT FORWARD IN COURT ON FEBRUARY 28, WHY, IN THE OPINION
OF SENIOR DEFENSE COUNSEL REX MCKAY, CHIEF JUSTICE HAROLD
BOLLERS SHOULD HAVE DISQUALIFIED HIMSELF FROM HEARING THE
LAYTON CASE:

- (1) SHARON AMOS (WHO WAS IN CHARGE OF THE PEOPLE'S TEMPLE
HEADQUARTERS IN GEORGETOWN) WAS A CLOSE FRIEND OF THE CHIEF
JUSTICE AND HIS FAMILY;
- (2) AMOS AND HER CHILDREN OFTEN VISITED THE HOME OF THE
CHIEF JUSTICE AND HE AND HIS FAMILY ALSO VISITED THE
LAMAPA GARDENS PT RESIDENCE IN GEORGETOWN;
- (3) ON NOVEMBER 17 AND 18, 1978, AMOS AND HER CHILDREN
VISITED THE CHIEF JUSTICE'S HOME;
- (4) ON THE NIGHT OF NOVEMBER 18, 1978 AMOS AND HER
THREE CHILDREN WERE ALLEGEDLY MURDERED BY TWO OTHER
TEMPLE MEMBERS, NAMELY STEPHAN JONES AND CHARLES
BEIKMAN;
- (5) JONES WAS DISCHARGED OF THE MURDERS AT THE INQUIRY;
- (6) BEIKMAN WAS COMMITTED TO STAND TRIAL AT THE APRIL
SESSION OF THE HIGH COURT FOR THE MURDERS OF AMOS AND

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HER CHILDREN.

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