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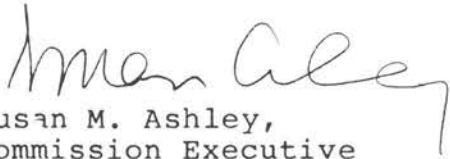
Dear Mr. Hallahan:

I have received your telegram of October 29, 1987.

As you know, the Terms of Reference of the Royal Commission require us to look into certain aspects of the criminal justice system in Nova Scotia and to make recommendations for change. While it may be that some of our recommendations will have relevance to you, I do not have enough information on your situation to know whether this is the case.

If you would like to send us some further information, we may be able to give you an opinion of whether we think your case deserves closer investigation. I do not hold out any hope to you, however, that we can help you in any way. At the very least, we might be able to refer you to a more appropriate person or agency.

Yours very truly,


Susan M. Ashley,
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~~FOR AND ON BEHALF OF MY FATHER~~

CLETUS DANIEL HALLAHAN

~~I MAKE THE ABOVE SUBMISSION~~

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April 26, 1988

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Dear Mr. Brogan:

I am responding to your letter of April 20th, 1988 concerning Mr. Cletus D. Hallihan. In January of this year Fred Horne, an investigator for the Royal Commission, talked with Mr. Hallihan to see if he had any material that might be of interest to our Inquiry. Based on the advice given by Mr. Horne and our own reading of the documents provided by the Hallihans, it is our view that there is nothing of relevance to us that they could add to the Public Hearings.

While Mrs. White and Mr. Hallihan indicated that they wanted transcripts of the Hallihan trial and an invitation to appear before the Inquiry, Mr. Horne did not make any commitment that these would be forthcoming.

While Mr. Hallihan's personal story is an unusual and disturbing one, our mandate does not permit us to go into such matters unless we are satisfied that they are of relevance to our Terms of Reference. With that in mind, we will not be pursuing Mr. Hallihan's situation.

Yours truly,

Susan M. Ashley,
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April 20, 1988

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Dear Ms. Ashley:

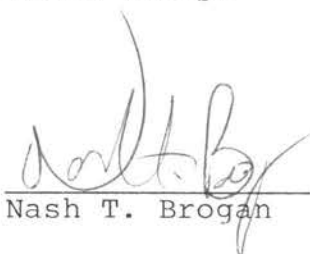
Mrs. Latisse (Hallahan) White has asked the writer to send the enclosed information to the Royal Commission. The information was requested by Fred Horn, an investigator for the Commission. The enclosures include two xeroxed copies of newspaper reports and piece of paper entitled Affidavit.

Mrs. White advises that Fred Horn indicated that he would obtain a copy of the transcript of Mr. Cletus D. Hallahan's trial and send the same to the Hallahan family. He further indicated that Cletus Hallahan would receive an invitation to the Marshall Inquiry.

Would you please advise the writer of the status of Cletus Hallahan in relation to any on going investigation as it may relate to the Marshall Inquiry.

Thanking you in advance for your cooperation.

Yours truly,



Nash T. Brogan

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Affidavit

This is to certify that Mrs. Sarah Hallahan had no regular daily mail delivery during the winter months of 1988 because the mailbox was not on it's iron pipe stand. It was impossible to deliver the mail. The mail lady did the proper thing out of necessity and is to be commended for carrying out her duties. It is understood that the same is being attested to by all parties and witnessed with the understanding that it has the same force and virtue as made under the CANADA EVIDENCE ACT.

Signed by Mrs. Clara Gale, Letter Carrier for South Bar:

Clara M. Gale

Witnessed by: Latisse White, 15 Glenwood Ave., Sydney, Nova Scotia.

Latisse White

Clara M. Gale

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE: CLETUS HALLAHAN, OF SOUTH BAR IS NOT CHARGED UNDER THE CRIMINAL CODE OF CANADA. THE SECTION 323 (1) IS NOT IN THE CODE AND NEVER WAS IN THE CODE.

There is an inexplicable parallel case involving another man Cletus D Hallahan who was a former cell mate of Donald Marshall back in 1971. Both awaited trial and appeal in the old County Jail now demolished and formerly referred to as the dungeon.

Hallahan's family likewise has maintained that he was also wrongly convicted and maintains a key Crown witness (who was also charged) lied, the same Prosecutor was involved.

Denied appeal (Hallahan served his sentence and was released. His family claim when they tried to expose the wrongful conviction he was rearrested and found unfit for a trial that could not take place anyway because the Crown hid the previous trial transcripts or Res Judicata.

When appeal was finally entered by uscrupulous counsel to prevent a writ of Habeaus Corpus, the Res Judicata was still not presented so as to prevent an exposé.

His parallel case is of minor consequences to the public because it does not involve a violent crime. In fact the charge is not in the Criminal Code of Canada and was laid in excess of the time limit and laid twice under summary.

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CLETUS Hallahan, of South Bar, is not charged under the criminal code of Canada. This section 323(1) is not in the code and never was in the code. I, herein request any individual or organization to procure transcripts of trial held July 5th, 1972, involving this matter. Please write to: Miss Latisse Hallahan, RR#1 South Bar, Sydney, NS B1P6G3

Cletus Daniel Hallahan of South Bar, Cape Breton, a former cellmate of Donald Marshall Junior has appealed to the Commission of Inquiry to let him orally reveal the Corruption he alleges that is inherent in the Nova Scotia Judicial system. He awaits an invitation. In a telegram to the Commission he outlines his victimization, claiming the Marshall case is not unique. He refuses to reveal what he knows unless given the proper forum. He has written a book entitled "DENIED JUSTICE" and had it withdrawn from publication to include a chapter on the Commissions refusal to extend him an invitation stating that history will take note accordingly. His first cousin is now Sydney's present Police Chief and Hallahan feels the corruption is still intact. His case has been inexplicably intertwined in the Marshall affair and the events that have occurred to

Charged under wrong section, Cape Bretoner becomes 'legal witch'

Globe and Mail Reporter

SYDNEY, N.S. — "I am, you see, the only legal witch in Canada."

Cletus Hallahan, aged 45 and father of five children with the sixth due any day now, speaks the words matter-of-factly, but with an air of desperation.

He wears his stringy hair in a longish style, sports a few days of whisker growth, and when he smiles, he reveals a large gap in his front teeth. A witch?

But he isn't kidding. He is legally a witch, but only because he was convicted in 1972 under the wrong section of the Criminal Code. And yesterday, facing four more charges under the same section, he was committed to the regional jail in Cape Breton County without plea or trial.

Provincial Judge John F. Macdonald ruled Mr. Hallahan unfit to conduct his defence and ordered him held in custody "to await the pleasure of the Lieutenant-Governor's warrant." If the usual course is followed, Mr. Hallahan will be confined to a mental institution, even though on two occasions psychiatrists have refused to certify him insane.

Although he was convicted of witchcraft in 1972 and still faces four charges, he says that apart from some minor curiosity about eastern religions he's a God-fearing Roman Catholic. "I certainly don't practise the de..."

On July 5, 1972, he was convicted in Cape Breton County Court under Section 323 of the Criminal Code, the section pertaining to witches or witchcraft. He was paroled for good behavior after serving two months of a three-month sentence.

Under Section 323, under which his four current charges were laid, anyone is guilty of witchcraft "who fraudulently pretends to exercise or to use any kind of witchcraft, sorcery, enchantment or conjuration; or undertakes, for a consideration, to tell fortunes; or pretends, from his skill or knowledge of an occult or crafty science, to discover where or in what manner anything that is supposed to have been stolen or lost may be found."

Cletus Hallahan never has claimed any of those powers. But there was the case 10 years ago, of an RCMP vehicle showing up mysteriously as the collateral for a personal loan he negotiated with a finance company. The incident was never investigated by police.

Mr. Hallahan lent an aura of mystery to his case last October. He had been missing for three years, wanted on a police warrant. One of eight RCMP officers searching his home noticed hinges on his bedroom wall, raised the section of wall and noticed the bottom of a pair of blue jeans and black slippers. He told

Hallahan to "come out of the wall."

After a lengthy series of remands and court delays came the judge's order yesterday that he be committed before he could come to trial. Mr. Hallahan had predicted in an interview last week that this course would be taken, adding that his trial had already been rigged.

"They say I'm unfit to stand trial. That means they can lock me away, at their own discretion, until they decide to let me out. What kind of a fair trial is that?"

All four charges he faces are under the witchcraft section, and were laid by the RCMP Sydney detachment in July, 1972.

But the charges are actually for fraud, not witchcraft.

Both the police and the Cape Breton Crown attorney's office say that Mr. Hallahan should never have been charged with witchcraft.

In July, 1970, five months before the first charge was laid a revision in the statutes change the number of the section on fraud from 323, and 323 became the new number of the witchcraft section.

A year later, in July, 1972, Mr. Hallahan was convicted — under section 323 — while he lay on the floor of the courtroom. He said he had been beaten by police, but a doctor testified he was bluffing.

During the same month four more charges were laid against him for fraud. By all

were laid under Section 323, the witchcraft section.

None of the charges, nor the conviction, has ever been amended by the court. The charges he faces now are the same ones laid in 1972, and two of the alleged fraud victims now are dead.

"It's a witch hunt, all right, no matter how you look at it," Mr. Hallahan says.

"I started 10 years ago when the serial number for the Mounties' car turned up on my loan application. I guess that embarrassed the police. Since then, I've been constantly persecuted and harassed by the police, the courts and the hospitals."

No official explanation has been given for the number on the loan application.

"Seven times, the police have entered and searched my house. They've kicked down the front door. They've smashed up my furniture. They've beaten me. Someone has stolen my wife's \$1,000 she put up for my bail money."

Then, he says, a Legal Aid defence lawyer "undermined my case by moving an improper motion. He said I was unfit to stand trial. Now they're just going to lock me away without a chance to be tried."

Mr. Hallahan's case, in short, is bizarre.

He's been through almost every lawyer in Sydney at one time or another. He has had lawyers imported from Halifax at times. Some were fired by him, some were fired by

his daughter. And some dropped the case.

But now he wants to defend himself because he feels he can't trust lawyers any more.

Judge Macdonald said last week that the court has "never witnessed a case like this one in my 23 years on the bench."

The judge had no choice under law but to appoint counsel for Mr. Hallahan because he was seen as unfit to defend himself.

Yesterday, lawyer Douglas MacEachern, who drew the assignment, told the court that Mr. Hallahan refused to talk to him.

At least two psychiatrists have examined him and agree on one thing — he is not certifiably insane. He has a neurosis, which led to his discharge from active duty with the army in Korea, and he has a paranoid fear of the legal system in Canada. The question is, is the fear real or imagined?

For one thing, the police admit to some of his allegations. They did force open the front door of his house last August, possibly breaking some furniture, while searching for a flashlight, a pair of pants, and a clock stolen from a house in the general neighborhood. Several policemen searched the house but none of the goods was found. The warrant was for suspicion of possessing stolen goods.

And in October, why were

there eight police officers involved in a routine house search? (Police admit to eight, but Mr. Hallahan says there were 10.) "I guess we just hit a good time as shift was changing," said Constable Phil Eagan, who prompted the search.

"I live in the same area as Mr. Hallahan, out by South Ber, and I always kept an eye out for him. This day I was driving by in an unmarked car and I spotted a man sitting in the doorway with the door partially open. I thought it must be him."

"Neighbors had said they'd seen Cletus around so we were looking for him."

Mr. Hallahan and his nephew used to operate a family contracting business, doing minor house repairs, and it was on this business operation that most of the fraud charges were based.

One man complained that Mr. Hallahan jacked up his house on blocks and left it sitting in the air. Others had contracts with Mr. Hallahan for up to \$5,000 worth of work which they said he started but did not complete.

Such cases are usually settled in civil court, but officials said fraud charges are laid when a criminal pattern is established involving questionable transactions. It is "a judgment call."

As for Mr. Hallahan's fitness to stand trial, psychiatrist Dr. Syed Naveed Akhtar reported recently, after a

month of court-ordered scrutiny that he "is well spoken and, for a Grade 5 education, he seems to have an exceptionally good vocabulary. He is polite and friendly in his attitude at least on the surface. ... His speech is coherent and well organized and he does not show any evidence of looseness of association."

Dr. Akhtar said Mr. Hallahan's main problem is "his suspiciousness towards people in general and towards legal authorities in particular." He says the whole criminal justice system is corrupt and is "outraged ... about how an ordinary citizen can be deprived of his rights in this country."

Mr. Hallahan has travelled to Toronto, Ottawa and Halifax to bring his case to the attention of higher authorities, including federal Justice Minister Ronald Basford.

"I told him he may look like Kojak but he certainly isn't a Kojak type of policeman," Mr. Hallahan said. He says he was given a polite but unhelpful 10-minute hearing by Mr. Basford.

Over the years, his family has written to the Queen and Prime Minister and many others to try to get their father's section abolished.

"Although those section numbers refer to offences under the Criminal Code prior to 1970, they were amended in 1970

CLETUS HALLAHAN REPORT ACCORDING TO A G FILES

Tuesday, February 21, 1983

I have received your letter of July 7th to Mr. Willard MacKenzie in connection with Mr. Cletus Hallahan. There are a great many matters raised in Miss Hallahan's letter to you of which I have no knowledge and in fact on some of them it would be impossible to get the information as I am somewhat in doubt as to what they even refer to. At this time I will set out the events of prosecutions against Mr. Hallahan and I will attempt to find out about some of the other matters. Let me first begin by saying that a number of individuals made complaints to the police and to labour organizations complaining about the activities of Mr. Hallahan and as a result of this investigations were commenced. On November 18th 1971 charges of fraud under Section 323(1) of the Criminal Code were laid against Mr. Hallahan and on November 26th Mr. Hallahan was brought before Magistrate R.J. Macdonald. At this time the matter was adjourned until November 30th so that he could obtain a lawyer and he was released on \$1,000 cash bail. He again appeared on November 30th at which time the matter was adjourned

until December 7th so that he could again obtain a lawyer and on December 7th he again requested further time to obtain a lawyer at which time the Magistrate refused and ordered trial by judge and jury and proceeded to commence the Preliminary Inquiry. At this time the Magistrate canceled bail and remanded Hallahan to jail until December 16th so that he could obtain a lawyer. On December 16th Mr. Hallahan obtained the services of Mr. Ryan of the Mackeigan Cox firm in Halifax at which time a bail application was made to Mr. Justice Jones and Mr. Hallahan was released on \$1,000 cash bail. On December 16th Hallahan failed to show up in court and a warrant for his arrest was issued. On December 18th the R.C.M.P. discovered that Mr. Hallahan had himself admitted to Camp Hill Hospital on December 15th. Mr. Hallahan was released from Camp Hill Hospital on January 7th 1972 at which time the R.C.M.P. under the authority of the warrant for his arrest took him into custody and transported him back to the Cape Breton County Jail where he was remanded until January 14th and in the interim was to be examined by a psychiatrist.

On January 14th Mr. Hallahan appeared with his lawyer Mr. Daniel J. MacLennan whereupon an application was made for bail and it was refused and Mr. MacLennan advised that he would no longer be acting as he could not get proper cooperation from his client. The \$1,000 that Miss Hallahan refers to is the amount of cash bail which was deposited when he was first arraigned in 1971 and when he did not show up for his Preliminary Hearing in December having himself admitted to Camp Hill Hospital proceedings were made to estreat the bail to the Crown. Subsequently I instructed that these proceedings be held in abeyance and that Mr. Hallahan was to be advised that the \$1,000 was there if he could obtain counsel so that there would be money to pay counsel and I am not certain what has happened to the \$1,000 although I expect that Mr. Fitzgerald may have made an application to have it paid out to him however this is one point which I will check and advise you on later.

On January 22nd Mr. Hallahan had Mr. Rod Chisholm of Antigonish acting on his behalf. On January 27th apparently Mr. Chisholm had withdrawn from the case and Mr. Hallahan was taken to court and it would appear that he faked a fall on the ice when getting out of the police car at the Court House he was carried into the Court House and laid on the floor. He was examined by two doctors and a psychiatrist who all gave evidence that there was nothing wrong with him and that he was taking. During part of this time Mr. Hallahan was rolling around on the floor crying and regurgitating. After two hours the matter was adjourned whereupon Mr. Hallahan got up off the floor and walked out of the court house. He appeared as scheduled on February 1st apparently Mr. Bod Chisholm appeared to ask for bail which was set in the amount of \$5000 and two sureties in the amount of \$2500 each and the matter was adjourned until February 4th. On February 4th Mr. Chisholm advised that he would no longer act and the magistrate turned bondsman down because they were unable to justify assets in the amount of \$2500 each and the case was then adjourned to February 8th. On that latter date a Preliminary Hearing was set for February 17th and on February 18th he was committed to stand trial and bail was refused. There is some mention in her letter

about a judgement however the courts placed on her father's property a involving he was guilty of five charges of fraud and R.C.M.P. The only knowledge that we have on is that Mr. Hallahan entered into some agreement to buy a car defaulted on it a judgement was entered by the dealership and supposedly the car was sold in some way to the R.C.M.P. As this is a civil matter this Department has never become involved in and Mr. Hallahan has regard as such of that it is a civil matter and he will have to obtain his own counsel in regard to it I find it difficult to conceive that the R.C.M.P. would buy a car which the dealer had originally entered into sales agreement with Mr. Hallahan on as their vehicles are bought through the Federal Purchasing Agency. Charges were also laid against his nephew Bernard Hallahan involving the same matters however after Preliminary Hearing against Cletus Hallahan these charges were withdrawn as it was obvious that it was Cletus Hallahan who ran the firm and not his nephew I am not certain what convictions Bernie Hallahan has and I will of course check into that matter and advise you on later.

In the beginning of her letter Miss Hallahan states that her father is innocent and in October, why were

by the Crown to defend Mr. Hallahan although I think the Crown has bent over backwards to have the court give him every opportunity to get counsel. On March 10th Mr. G.H. FitzGerald Q.C. obtained bail for him in the amount of \$1,000 from Mr. Justice Bissett the amount being on his own recognizance with no sureties. On June 28th he was brought to trial in the County Court on five charges of fraud and on June 29th His Honour Judge Morrison entered convictions on the five charges and sentenced him to three months concurrent on each charge to be served in the Cape Breton County Jail. Subsequently on July 21st another charge was laid before the magistrate and at this time Mr. Hallahan was unrepresented so that he was committed to stand trial before a judge and jury in other words in Supreme Court Division. Subsequent to this Mr. Hallahan was released having served his time in the County Jail and he has taken off for parts unknown so that no further charges have been proceeded with. MR. GORDON'S GALE DIRECTOR, CRIMINAL SECTION ATTORNEY GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT PROVINCIAL BUILDING HALIFAX, NOVA SCOTIA

Hallahan Collateral RCMP Car

R.C.M.P. headquarters in Sydney this week confirmed that a vehicle listed as collateral in a loan made to Cletus Hallahan by Niagara Finance Company actually belongs to the R.C.M.P.

BOUGHT NEW
The 84-year-old Hallahan is fighting to prevent his South Bar home from being sold by the sheriff. He says Niagara Finance wrongly terminated a \$3,000 loan contract when he informed the manager that he didn't own the 1961 Ford sedan delivery car shown among his collateral.

Glendinning said he had no idea of how it could have turned up in a finance company contract.

NO COMMENT
Hallahan said he had no objection to the company releasing details which "would prove I'm telling the truth when I say I don't know anything about that car or how it got into my contract."

Hallahan said he had asked Cape Breton Nova's Tory MLA Picky Gaum to bring the case to the attention of Attorney-General R.A. Donahoe. He said Gaum had written Donahoe and would speak to him personally in Halifax this week. Meanwhile, Hallahan who hasn't worked since last fall, applied for aid from the county relief office. He said he was "getting pretty discouraged."

able to find a lawyer to represent him. He insists he should be allowed to place his case before a judge, who, he is confident, would order the judgement against him opened. He says he paid a Sydney lawyer SCM ROSENBLUM to open the judgement, but the lawyer had

subsequently withdrawn from the case without doing so. "All I want is the sale of my home stopped until the whole matter is investigated and a settlement arranged," Hallahan said. Hallahan says Niagara Finance refused to accept any more payments from him



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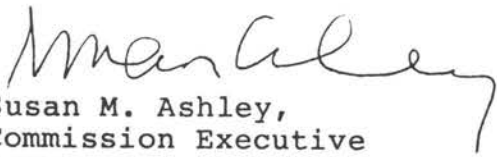
Dear Mrs. LaBelle:

Further to our telephone conversation a few days, I enclose some information that might be helpful to your son in doing his project on the Marshall Inquiry. Enclosed with this letter are a copy of the Terms of Reference of the Inquiry, the Chief Justice's opening statements to the Hearings and the decision reached by the Commissioners on the matter of funding for legal counsel. I had also suggested to you that he might find Michael Harris' book, "Justice Denied", helpful in providing information on the Marshall case. This provides a very good account of the background of the case and raises most of the issues that are being dealt with by the Inquiry. Newspaper accounts of the Hearings will probably be available at the library and he might find it helpful to look there.

I hope that this is of some assistance.

Thank you for your interest in the work of the Royal Commission.

Yours truly,


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