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State of Mississippi

County of Sunflower

Name - Leona McClendon Age - 65 Occupation - cooking and house-keeping. Address - 801 E. Reden, Ruleville No phone

Being duly sworn deposes and says to-wit: I am a citizen of the United States of America and on Wednesday July 1, 1964, the following happened:

I had been working for one Roy Thompson, housekeeping from 8:00 or 9:00 to 1:00 or 12:00 (4 hours usually), 6 days a week. I was paid \$15 a week.

On Wednesday July 1, 1964, Mr. Roy Thompson picked me up and I worked for him all morning. Then as I finished my meal, he came to the table and laid down my pay on the table saying, "I'm cutting down expenses." I asked, "do you mean this is it?" He said yes, that's what I mean. He seemed to express sorrow about firing me, but behaved as though this were something he had to do.

I think he know that I was keeping some volunteers with me. I believe he fired me because he had to fall in line with the rest of the others.

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Name - Mr. Tommy Buckley Occupation - construction laborer
Address - street off of Sunflower Street, Ruleville No phone

Being duly sworn deposes and says to-wit: I am a citizen of the United States of America and on Monday, July 13, 1964, the following happened:

I was laid off of my job along with two others, Mr. Leonard Davis and a white man. I do not know why I was laid off. My mother who lives next door to me has been housing some white civil rights volunteers for a few days. I attempted to register to vote early in 1964.