

Reference: Was the State Office notified of this decision by the county department to close Mr. O'Field's cases? Or the county department notify the State Office of the possible change in his situation?

Mr. D.: Yes sir because this has been carried on an extended basis over the years and it was a negative action and not one that is usual because we don't have too many of this type, I felt it was necessary to consult with the State Office and say that we were taking what they considered fair and proper action in this case.

Reference: Do you have anything in writing from the State Office that would be of value in establishing the county's position?

Mr. D.: That I would have to check on, the directions came by telephone to the County Administrator and he passed this information to me that we would close the cases.

Reference: Would you check the record to see if that conversation was later confirmed by a memo or letter?

Mr. D.: I assume the only thing we have is a narrative.

Mr. T.: Mr. Powers, I think the matters that are being gone into are matters outside the hearing summary which is suppose to contain what the local department is going to use.

Reference: That is correct except, I am trying to pull together here what actions of the board and the county's departments action that led up to the closure; up to the decision and the decision of the closure in Mr. O'Field's assistance case.

(Bolts were changed)

I am trying to clarify for the hearing committee as much as possible any other information that is involved or lead up to this decision and this is a summary, the hearing summary is a summary or should be a summary of the situation, I am showing the basis for the action that was taken.

Mr. T.: And we know these facts when we came to the hearing, we'd been written equipped with some of this and I object to this being explored now when we had not the opportunity that the Department of Welfare Manual Called for.

Reference: That is, your saying in part, some of the policies that have been included were not included in the hearing summary?

Mr. T.: Some of the facts, some of the things that have happened in this case are in the hearing summary and so we in preparing for this case have not been informed to the extent that we could fully protect our interests here.

Reference: Let me say this, if after we have covered what is felt is pertinent, you feel a recess should be granted to obtain additional information this would be your privilege, in making any further preparation.

Mr. T.: Let me ask if I may simply object to these matters being explored now that are not in the hearing summary, object to their being considered by the hearing committee by the committee in Oklahoma City.

Reference: Of course the hearing is not confined only to the information presented in the hearing summary, that is, the testimony is not, that is the hearing summary is a summary of the situation, the same as a person has the right to request to appear or obtain other evidence in addition that might result from this hearing.