

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

NORFOLK, ss.

SUPERIOR COURT.
CRIMINAL SESSION
Nos. 5545-6.

C O M M O N W E A L T H

vs.

NICOLA SACCO and BARTOLOMEO
VANZETTI

AFFIDAVIT OF DUDLEY P. RANNEY

I, Dudley P. Ranney, of Wellesley, Massachusetts, on oath
depose and say as follows:

That I am Assistant District Attorney for the Southeastern
District of Massachusetts and have held this position since
January, 1925; that one day in May, 1926, during the second
trial of the case of Commonwealth vs. Celestino F. Madeiros
for the murder of James E. Carpenter at Wrentham, November 21,
1924, shortly after Court had adjourned for the day, I went to
where one Mary Matthews, sister of said Celestino F. Madeiros,
was sitting, to talk with her; that one William G. Thompson was
in the Court room and asked to be present when I talked with
her in order that he might talk to her himself. To this I con-
sented. I sat beside Mrs. Matthews on one of the spectators
benches in the Court room and Mr. Thompson sat on a bench direct-
ly opposite this bench.

I further depose and say that Mrs. Matthews acted nervous, confused, and ill at ease, and was unable to understand why said Thompson and I were talking with her and the conversation was brief. I did not ask questions more than a few minutes as she appeared to be too nervous and excited to talk. She said that she had lived in Providence at some boarding house, but whether she said at Number 178 to 180 North Main Street in that city, I do not recall. She could not state the year when she lived in Providence. She stated that her brother, Celestino Madeiros, had lived in an adjoining room there at some time while she was there, but she did not state how long he stayed, the months when he stayed there nor the time when he left. She did not say anything about her brother's arrest at that time. I do not recall whether she mentioned the words "Zack's Hotel."

Dudley P. Ranney

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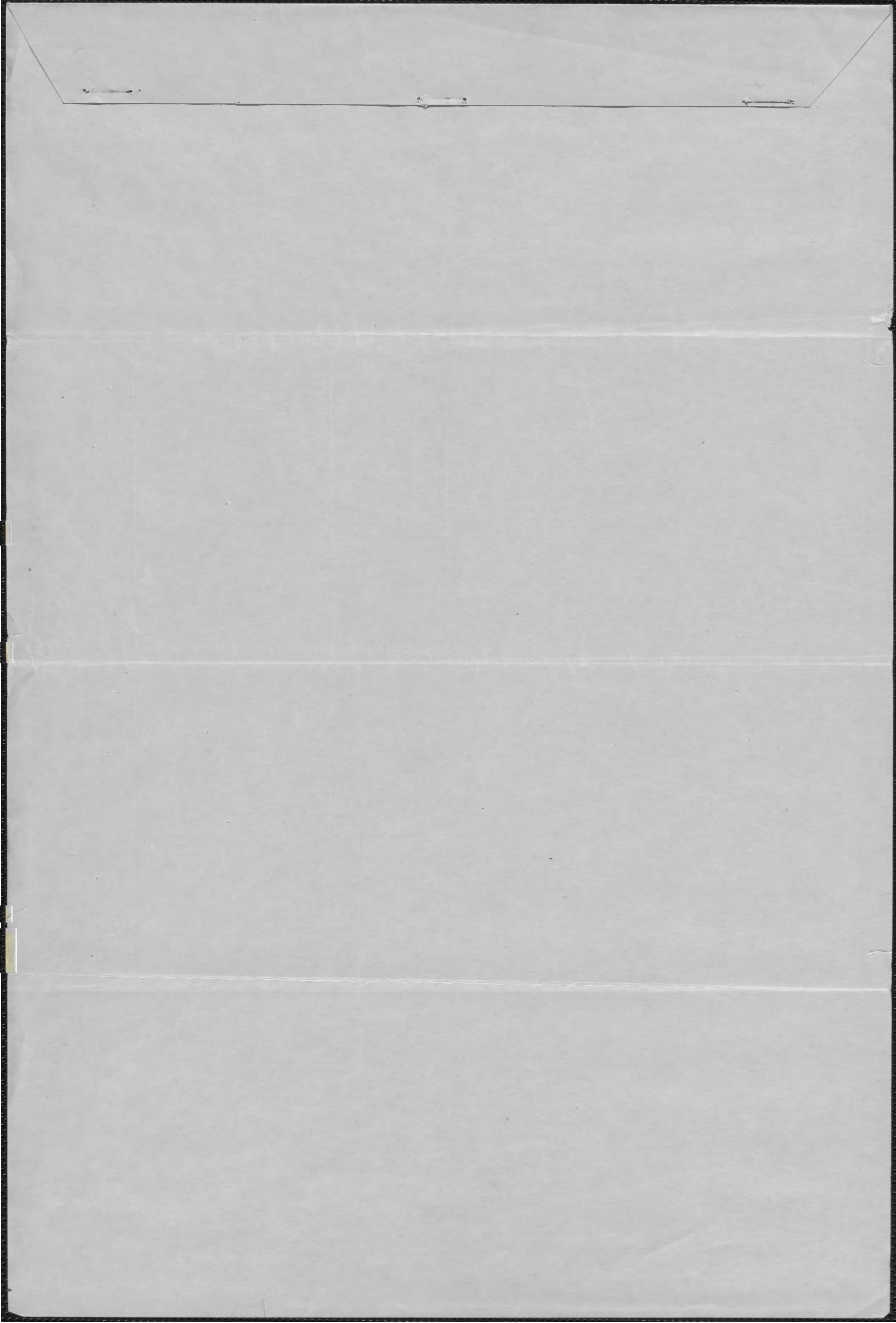
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Boston, June 15, 1926.

Then personally appeared the above-named Dudley P. Ranney and made oath that the foregoing statements by him subscribed are true,

Before me,

Thomas Allen Jr.
Notary Public.
Justice of the Peace
My Commission Expires
November 17, 1927



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