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TO : Colonel Edwards

DATE: 2 December 1953

FROM : Chief, SSD

SUBJECT: ABRAMSON, Harold A.

New York State does not require a license to practice psychiatry. Their only requirement is that an individual be a physician. Subject is a physician but not known as a psychiatrist.

He has engaged in the practice of medicine since 1925. He was educated at Columbia University, receiving his M.D. in 1923. He is a National Research Council Fellow; studied in Germany at the Kaiser Wilhelm Institute, physical and electrochemistry; instructor in medicine at Johns Hopkins University 1928-29; instructor in biochemistry at Harvard 1929-31; Associate in Bacteriology at Cornell 1934-35; Assistant Professor of Physiology at Columbia University since 1935; Associate Physician and Chief of Allergy Clinic, Mt. Siani Hospital, New York City (this position indicate of his high stature in medicine at Mt. Siani known as one of the best Hospitals); member of the American College of Allergies; member of American Association for Advancement of Science; member of American Academy of Allergies and American Psychosomatic Society.

A reliable source has advised that to be an authority on allergies one would have to take courses in psychosomatic sciences but this does not make one a psychiatrist.

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