

Dear Richard,

2/23/91

The enclosed record may be informative to David. First because it was at least in the time in which he is interested SOP for the FBI to address all SACs with a communication to Albany. Note at the bottom. 2 copies to all offices. Second because it is an example of what I told him, that the FBI hides its electronic surveillances by classifying them as administrative matters. Note the 66 file classification by the San Francisco office, from which I got this copy.

I'd never noticed a 66 file number that I recall before this that used a letter. I presume the use of "B" indicates instructions to removed taps and bugs.

They made a card on it and notified one SA, who I take it handled the records and another who may have supervised the bugs and taps.

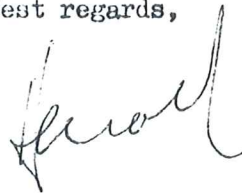
Aside from indicating that there was a search the form was not filled in. This may or may not mean ~~it was not mean~~ it was not in the general files, retrieval from which do require indexing. They may use a separate card file.

The file classification 139, the only filing indication posted, so the second copy is in 66, denotes interception of communications. That was one of Past's businesses. He also sold the equipment.

Hirschkop was then a cause lawyer. At about this time he latched onto a client who made him rich, as I was told in any event, and he did a remarkable job for them, the sons of H.L.Hunt. They were guilty as hell and caught in a conspiracy and did not go to jail.

In fact, the afternoon of the night he left for Texas ~~where~~^{this} was told was his expectation, as he then told me. He had ~~XXX~~ paid his dues. He handled many ACLU and similar cases and there was a real reactionary effort to disbar him in Virginia.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Hirschkop".

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To: SAC, Albany

Date 7-20-72

From: Acting Director, FBI

RICHARD LEE BAST
REDEX CORPORATION
ELECTRONIC SURVEILLANCE

The Department has advised that captioned subjects have been indicted in the District of Columbia on Federal interception of communications charges.

Accordingly, the Department has instructed that procedures should be instituted to preclude the monitoring of subjects, their attorneys, or any defense strategy conversations until such time as prosecution has been completed and the Department issues notice that the restrictions may be removed.

In complying with this request from the Department, all offices should be guided by the instructions set forth in SAC Letter 69-43, dated 8/13/69, and apply them to all electronic surveillances now in operation as well as those installed while the above restrictions are in effect.

The Department has identified subjects' attorneys as: Philip J. Hirschkop, 503 D Street, Northwest, Washington, D. C., 20001, and Bernard Fensterwald, Jr., 905 16th Street, Northwest, Washington, D. C., 20006.

Bast resides in McLean, Virginia, and is employed by captioned corporation at 1404 New York Avenue, Northwest, Washington, D. C.

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