

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

.....
HAROLD WEISBERG,

Plaintiff

v.

Civil Action No. 2052-73

UNITED STATES GENERAL SERVICES
ADMINISTRATION,

Defendant
.....

REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS

Pursuant to Rule 34 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, plaintiff requests that within 30 days the defendant produce and permit plaintiff to make copies of the following documents:

1. The letter from former Chief Justice Earl Warren to the Attorney General of the United States dated April 5, 1965, and referred to at the bottom of page one of the Attorney General's April 13, 1965, Memorandum re "Public Availability of Materials Delivered to the National Archives by the President's Commission on the Assassination of President Kennedy."

2. Any letters sent to members of the Warren Commission as a result of the January 18, 1965, White House directive to the Attorney General that he find out how the Warren Commission viewed the problem of the public availability of its records. Also, the response of any Warren Commission member to any such letters. [A copy of the January 18, 1965, directive is attached hereto]

3. Any document purporting to give the Warren Commission authority to classify documents under Executive Order 10501.

4. Any instruction from the Warren Commission to Mr. J. Lee Rankin ordering him to classify the January 27, 1964, Executive Session transcript or any other Executive Session transcript.

5. Any document specifically ordering Ward & Paul to classify the January 27, 1964, Executive Session transcript or any other Executive Session transcript.

6. Any statement of views on the public availability of Warren Commission records solicited of the following agencies: The Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Secret Service, the Central Intelligence Agency, the Department of State, and the Department of Defense. Also, the letters soliciting these views from the foregoing agencies. [The statements of these agencies are summarized in the Attachment to the Attorney General's April 13, 1965 Memorandum referred to in ¶1 above]

7. The statement of views of Mr. Howard P. Willens of the Criminal Division of the Department of Justice referred to in the last paragraph of the January 15, 1965, letter from Lawson B. Knott, Jr. to Gordon Chance. [A copy of this letter is attached hereto]

8. Any statement of views expressed by the agencies mentioned in the last paragraph of the January 15, 1965, letter from Lawson B. Knott, Jr. to Gordon Chance.

Plaintiff requests that copies of the above documents be mailed to his attorney within 30 days.

JAMES H. LESAR
1231 Fourth Street, S. W.
Washington, D. C. 20024

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that service of the foregoing Request for the Production of Documents has been made upon the defendant by mailing a copy thereof to its attorney, Assistant United States Attorney Michael J. Ryan, Room 3421 United States Courthouse, Washington, D. C., on this 29th day of April, 1974.

JAMES HIRAM LESAR