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Dear Jim,

More than even now, after reading the response to the Nichols complaint, I am convinced that we really should, with a long pull ahead, make every effort to get the government to file every motion, with every authority they can think of cited, in every action, every conceivable way. I'll explain why, as I indicated earlier, when you are here again. You may have heard me allege that some calling themselves friends are really enemies. Well, I also say our enemies can be our most helpful friends. Especially dishonest ones, and with what other kind do we tilt?

I think it would be quite valuable if you could get me each of the full authorities they cite in this response, especially the attached memo, and on it, particularly page 6. They have supplied some of the answers to the clothing/pix suit already and to others I plan.

And I have again caught them in a misquotation, without the full authorities I seek. This time it is, I think, a quite serious one. All these things can help considerably, especially if properly used, and most especially in court.

Please try and have a motion for a summary judgement ready for me Monday a.m., and try and make it an early morning for you. Their time on the clothing-pix suit expires then, I believe. I'll go to the post office on the way in. I have only one mail, and I'll have it with me. If it is not there, that is, the answer, they'll have to serve it on me in Washington not to have the time expire.

I heard from the publisher today. They do not have the contracts.

My recollection of the new Nichols suit is not clear, for I read it some time ago. However, I fear it has the defects I then believed I saw. I think thegovernment has enough points on him. And more than ever, I believe one of my approaches in these things is the right one. I am certain now that it is with the clothing/pix suit and more so with the one to follow the Ferrie one. They are not Achilles, but they do have heels.

Hurriedly,

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