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JL - my ~~228/1187X~~ costs

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As a practical matter it is impossible for me to keep such records.

When I think of it and have a written records I try to indicate where the expense should be allocated. However, when I get home from Washington, for example, I'm tired and for several years have been. There also is what came in during the day to take my time and attention. If I'm less tired or refreshed in the morning when I get up there is work to which I get immediately because the earliest hours now are my best, before I tire.

What <sup>the</sup> ~~il~~ has records of, which does not include the DC account, is attached.

There is obvious incompleteness. For example, no charge for the notary costs for affidavits or what I also can't put an immediate figure on, getting to the notary from out in the country.

There is no meal charge at all and each day I had food expenses.

No cabs within DC and the transportation cost to DC is obviously incomplete. (Round trip on the bus is just under \$10, I think \$9.55 or \$9.65.) Thus there would be this cost for each court day. (The total here appears to be four round trips and perhaps a one-way and there were <sup>were</sup> more times than this that I was in D.C. on the case, which is more times than there ~~was~~ court sessions (including magistrate's)).

I'm sure the xeroxing cost is much greater, on affidavits alone. The Archives cost for xeroxing is now 20¢ a page. Then it was 25¢. There were about 350 pages charged to my deposit account for copies for this case. This alone exceeds the costs we have posted for xeroxing, coming to about \$88.50.

Where I provided you with copies, in those days we had the slow 3M machine only. The cost of the paper alone for it was 10¢ or more a page. Where I had xeroxing done locally it was then 17¢ a page. For the past 18 months or so - I can get the exact date - we've had a desk-top bond copier that is quite good, if slow and costly. (We figure total cost at about 10¢ a page.) We have to have costly regular service and parts replacements to keep it going, service each 5,000 regularly and other service at less frequent intervals costing up to \$30 or more a trip. (The serviceman yesterday told Lil that this machine has far outused its expected life, has made more copies than any desk-top machine within his experience, so we may be at the point where we'll have to replace it, although it does appear to be holding up very well. As I recall the cost then was about ~~\$2,000~~ \$4,000, maybe a little more. And of course we use it for all cases. However, it is not possible to make an honest pro rating because we used it less in this case than in the others, like 226 and 1996 of that year and we make extensive use of it in appeals.

My costs on giving the two transcripts away were about 2,000 pages of xeroxing, the trip to Washington and related costs

No postage is listed and there was a fair amount.

My days are too broken up for any real effort at keeping track of costs, even if I did not get wound up and forget as I get into working. (Reminds me, I must post yesterday's before I forget.) I can be in the middle of something and get a press inquiry that can run for an hour or more as I respond to requests for specific and general information. I've had calls of this kind that lasted for more than two hours at a time, from coast to coast.

It also happens that my interest in continuing this case is not for my writing. When I filed it, before illness, two of the three were or such interest. The remaining one isn't and it is obvious when I gave the other two away to the press and other researchers that I was not trying to reserve them for my writing or any other personal uses.