

Dear Howard,

10/5/77

Jim is sending you a copy of the letter to sent "es Whitten including suggestions for inclusion in an affidavit to be used in an effort to obtain a total remission of all costs in the King case, 75-1996.

If you have time he would like an affidavit from you. You may have your own ideas of what would be helpful, of course.

This is a reminder of what you might not recall, if I have not already written you about this.

Your personal experience and what you know.

Your personal experience with access to my files including all records I obtain from the government, goes back to what - 1968? You had unsupervised access to all my records and my copying machine even though you had written a competitive book, the manuscript of which I did not read.

From going over my files and from personal contact with other you know that I made much available to others, a number of others, including unpublished records and those I intended to publish. This included manuscripts as well as government records.

I made no charges. Others came here and were our guests while they went over my records, not just you, as I think you know.

If you know of my making these materials available to the media, that.

When you were an undergraduate and while you were in law school I told you about or sent you copies of materials I obtained. When you were an undergraduate I gave you some of my research for a book, I think it can be said that the VN stuff was enough for the basis of a book, when I had done this work intending to write the book myself.

Reminder for Jim, for whom a carbon: I'm reminded of the woman I've offered my files to for her doctoral dissertation, the subject of which has been approved.

If you have time to think and can make what you would regard as a full statement it might have values other than in this case. I've made the same request of the CIA in the King case, about which Jim intends to make an effort.

Hastily,