

Dear Jim,

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Something that has been on my mind off and on for years is what I had in mind the other night, when we were talking about depositions and I said depose me. You are probably right in saying that an evidentiary hearing would be better. I'm satisfied on that. But we've never gone into what I've been accumulating and want not to put together until time of need. I think we have some real opportunities. The carbón of this is for Bud.

The opportunities transcend the immediate and pertinent uses in 226.

One of the existing question is the alleged destruction of the curbstone spectrographic plate and as you've seen in the more recent memos, also of Q15, the scrapings from the windshield, which are not conserved in NAA. I have more on the strictness of the prohibition of any destruction than is in the memos. They are limited to what we got on discovery. The FBI even prohibits the destruction of inaccurate records in correction.

I think we now have an overkill in the non-destruction of the curbstone plate.

Another of the questions is reason to believe there are pertinent records not provided. The case record is already rich on this and the judge, rather than claiming irrelevancy, undertook to rebut ~~him~~ on his own when DJ didn't even try. I now have great stuff on this, what the FBI ignored, what it ignored after it was called to its attention. What it ignored is all that was inconsistent with Hoover's instant vision, which became the FBI's "solution." I've also got the contemporaneous notes of one of the Dallas cops in the motorcycle. I learned that he had made these notes the very day from FBI records the Commission never got because the FBI deliberately avoided questioning all 17 motorcycle cops in the motorcycle. At least two had very important observations that remain unknown and I have them. Inconsistent, entirely, with Hoover's instant vision and the other official accounts. They bear on the shooting, which they describe, eyewitnesses and close one. Never Commission witnesses. Going along with this I have the records pertaining to a shot not accounted for to the commission and spectro tests pertaining to it.

Active for the present withholding is also thus addressed.

I think if all of this is put together well and testified to, with cross examination available to the government, it can have a powerful effect on much. It can, with any attention, leave nothing of the official versions. It will also leave no doubt that there never was any real investigation and thus the FBI has to hold back what can cast doubt on the official mythologies.

There is much that is not immediately in my mind that I'll pick up when I go over the copies of the records I have put aside for this case. There is a real opportunity.

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