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Dear Mr. Fensterwald:

Reference is made to your Freedom of Information-Privacy Acts (FOIPA) request, on behalf of your clients Mr. J. Gary Shaw of Cleburne, Texas and Mr. Mark Allen of Washington, D.C., for information pertaining to David G. Copeland (FOIPA request number 226,759) from the files of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI).

By letter dated December 9, 1982, you were advised that documents which appear to be responsive to your request, for information pertaining to Mr. Copeland, had been located and that these documents would be reviewed pursuant to the provisions of the FOIPA. Please be advised that this review has been completed and that based on the limited information which you provided on Mr. Copeland, we are unable to determine if the individual(s) mentioned in the documents are identical with the subject of your clients' request. In addition, please be advised that none of the documents reviewed are related to the FBI's investigation of the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

The search for information in response to your request was limited to those records in our central records system which are maintained at FBI Headquarters, Washington, D.C. In certain specific instances, information collected in our field office files is not forwarded to FBI Headquarters. These instances include cases in which the perpetrators of the violation were not developed during the investigation; cases in which the United States Attorney declined prosecution; and cases in which the investigation revealed the allegations were unsubstantiated or not within the investigative jurisdiction of the FBI. Therefore, if you believe records which may be Bernard Fensterwald, Jr., Esquire

responsive to your inquiry are located within the files of an FBI field office and were never reported to Headquarters, you may write directly to any field office for those materials. If you direct a request to any field office, please indicate in your letter that FBI Headquarters in Washington, D.C., has processed your initial Freedom of Information-Privacy Acts request.

If you desire, you may submit an appeal from any denial contained herein. Appeals should be directed in writing to the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legal Policy (Attention: Office of Information and Privacy), United States Department of Justice, Washington, D.C. 20530, within thirty days from receipt of this letter. The envelope and the letter should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Appeal" or "Information Appeal." Please cite the FOIPA number assigned to your request so that it may be easily identified.

Sincerely yours,

James K. Hall, Chief Freedom of Information-Privacy Acts Section Records Management Division