

To Quin Shea from ^{Harold} Weisberg re JFK assassination records 8/10/78
records not provided
withholdings

Recently I appealed the FBI's not providing me with JFK assassination records as they were released. I made the appeal after receiving information from a reporter. Enclosed are two relevant records, letters to a requester by Mr. McCreight.

Please note Mr. McCreight's statement so foreign to my experiences in both cases:

"Inasmuch as the material you requested is of great historical interest, these pages are being released to you without excisions."

Alan J. Weberman, the requester to whom Mr. McCreight wrote, is perhaps best known for his photo "analysis" that "proved E. Howard ^Hunt to be one of the "tramps" in certain Dealey Plaza photos. (With regard to these photos as misused in the King assassination, the FBI has yet to comply with the promises made in camera by Civil Division on 11/21/77.)

With regard to the withholding of FBI names, an apparent urgency that developed during the processing of the Dallas assassination records, this urgency does not appear to exist in these Dallas Oswald records I have to now reviewed. Through Section 43 no single FBI name has been obliterated. Whether this is because the Oswald records were processed along with the assassination records and the policy of withholding had not yet been applied or it represents a new return to the old policy, it is a fact that I received these records after FBI names were withheld wholesale in the assassination records. After that withholding and the many representations of need and hazard to the agents I now find I am given the signatures of most of them, as earlier I was given their addresses and home phones. Consistency is not an FBI vice but unjustified withholdings appear to be.

