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Mr. Daniel J. Metcalfe  
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Re: Civil Action No. 78-0322  
Civil Action No. 78-0420

Dear Mr. Metcalfe:

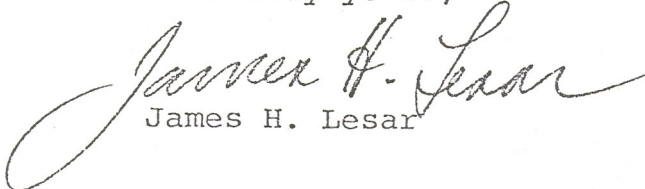
By letter dated October 18, 1978, Mr. Allen H. McCreight, Chief of the FBI's Freedom of Information/Privacy Acts Branch, wrote my client, Mr. Harold Weisberg with respect to his request for the records of the FBI's Dallas Field Office on the assassination of President John F. Kennedy. The third paragraph of Mr. McCreight's letter states:

Some documents surfaced during processing which originated in or contained information obtained from other governmental agencies. These documents have been referred to those agencies for a determination as to the releasability of information therein. Upon return of these documents, you will be advised accordingly.

To the best of my knowledge, Mr. Weisberg has not yet been "advised accordingly." I would appreciate it if you could inform me as to the status of these agency referrals. I am particularly concerned about this because this is a device which agencies have used in the past to stonewall Mr. Weisberg and delay his access to information he has requested.

I would also like to request that you inform me of the identity of any agencies to which documents have been referred during the course of processing records involved in either of the above two suits by Mr. Weisberg. I make this request because I need and intend to join any such agencies as parties to these lawsuits. This has become necessary because of the decision which the Department of Justice has procured in Weisberg v. Central Intelligence Agency, et al., Civil Action No. 77-1997. (Opinion of District Judge John Lewis Smith dated January 4, 1979)

Sincerely yours,

  
James H. Lesar