

To Quin Shea from Harold Weisberg, JFK assassination records appeals 6/21/79
Referrals, unnecessary and unjustified
Withholding of the public domain

Attached is a copy of the FBI's referral slip for 105-82555-570 enclosure, of 45 pages, referred to the Secret Service almost two years ago by FBIHQ.

It has been some time since I made this copy for you, not in my own interest but in trying to discharge the public responsibilities imposed upon me. However, I believe my recollection is correct. This record is a public transcript of the Secret Service's first interview with Marina Oswald.

That transcript has never been withheld from the Warren Commission's files, of which the FBI has many lists and on occasion has consulted them. (Not that it should not always consult them. But in not consulting the list of what is publicly available the FBI avoids knowing what is public. It thus excuses itself for what is no better than a deliberate campaign of harassment.)

I used this transcript in my second book, which was completed in the last half of 1966, in the first chapter, titled "Scheherezada."

More than a decade later the FBI withholds it under the spurious "referral" device for non-compliance.