

62-3588 - appeal

To Quin Saha from Harold Weisberg- JFK records appeals, addition to 8/31/78
Dallas Field Office Commission file

In another appeal dated today I include some information regarding this file and attach proof from it that records relating to me were not provided under my PA request. I also noted that the files was grossly incomplete.

Relations with and servicing of the Commission was a major effort in the DFO. This extended over a period of about 10 months. DFO #62-3588 cannot and does not include any of the relevant records. In total, all relevant records remain withheld. I appeal the withholding and the deliberateness of this withholding and the utterly inappropriate misrepresentation involved.

Serial 37 from these DFO records is enclosed.

Despite my long acquaintance with FBI Orwellian practise I am a bit surprised that SAC New Orleans in addressing SAC Dallas regarding a Presidential Commission would direct attention to of all things the "Security Division." This, however, is an aside, if I think an illuminating one.

A punch eliminated part of the date. The date cannot be prior to the month after the Commission's legal life ended with the filing of its Report. Yet this is but Serial 37, covering those 10 months.

Serial 1 is indicated as of 9/30/64. The Commission gave the President its Report on 9/24. The report was publicly released 9/27. The internal evidence is that this record is of the following December.

Obviously there are many earlier records. Equally obviously both DFO and FBIHQ are well aware of this.

Because there may be more than a single withheld file I do not disclose the number I have observed that appears to relate to the Commission in DFO files, a number other than 62-3588. I regret that prior experience indicates this is the prudent course, and not only with the FBI.

I also call to your attention the reference to field office indices that remain withheld from me and about which the FBI has already sworn falsely in its affidavits.

I enclose Serial 42 also. Please note that it confirms what I have told you and several courts, that there was extensive facsimile reproduction "of numerous FD-302s, letterhead memoranda, other Bureau documents and in some cases complete reports." All of this without any excisions throughout 10 printed volumes of almost 1000 pp. each. (Paragraph 2.)

Some of the reports of SAs were provided from 62-3588. I recall none with what this record indicates, attachment. The final paragraph also refers to guidelines I do not recall seeing, although my memory may be inaccurate.

There is an attachment to Serial 42 but because it expresses no concern for the factual accuracy of the Commission's report's text I am led to believe that the ever-filigent FBI should have had another attachment. As you will see, this one is limited to "cover the Bureau's..."

However, this attachment discloses the FBI's own interpretation of the JFK records it provided to the Commission, the records the Commission published with the FBI's assent. (In fact at White House order.)

I believe this constitutes a waiver on all such records.

Yet the items listed as published include the same kinds of information the FBI now, almost 15 years later, is withholding from me. If there was no need for such withholding contemporaneously there would appear not to be any need for any such withholding now, 15 years later.

You will note in reading this memo that it expresses no concern over any possible harm from this extensive publication of Bureau records - three months after that publication. I believe that this establishes the fact that there was no harm. The expressed concerns are over possible embarrassment and criticisms. It does not make reference to any that surfaced in the prior three months.

In the processing of DFO records on the assassination there was extensive withholding of SA and other FBI names. This practise also taints other FOIA processing. To the proofs I have earlier provided, that all such names are known and had been disclosed by the FBI, albeit not in all cases permitting the association of names with relevant records, I add the next page of Serial 42. It lists the names of each of the DFO agents assigned to review each of the Commission's 26 volumes.

Serial 91 is enclosed not because it does not dispute the quoted allegations by Lee Harvey Oswald -that the DFO sought to intimidate his wife - but because the ~~last~~ last sentence refers to records not provided:

"The above information ~~and~~ (sic) relating to allegations against SA Hosty, have ~~previously~~ previously been reviewed by the Bureau, and no further action is warranted."

In fact SA Hosty is not the only agent who was disciplined. The records remain withheld. These are records of historical significance. With the fact of the disciplining public and particularly with the passing of time I believe that this information should not continue to be withheld. I add to this that there has been testimony before Congressional committees, including by these agents. SA Hosty, for example, recently testified to the House assassins committee.

Although it does not appear to be normal Bureau practise SA Hosty has discussed his testimony with the press at some length, which accounts for my knowledge, the committee having conducted this and most of its other proceedings in secret, star-chamber sessions.

