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Dear Mrs Meagher:

I am working on a matter dealing with certain firearms evidence in the JFK assassination, and in time I shall need consultation with a first rate firearms expert-- help in the form of checking what I have done and pulling me away from unwarranted assertions.

If things work out as I expect, the matter will be exceedingly important, and I dare not run the risk of being wrong about the least thing. My knowledge of firearms is good, but I cannot be sure whether my self-criticism is adequate. For that reason, when I am finished I would like to consult someone who can be trusted to give fair criticism and to keep ~~quiet~~ quiet about what he learns. I could use some advice now, but I think it best to go as far as I can on my own.

I would like to know if you believe that Shelly Braverman can be trusted with confidential material. I am well aware of Braverman's qualifications as an expert, but have no knowledge or opinion concerning his integrity. It would be best if he could view my stuff with the most skeptical eyes and strive to crack it, so I am not concerned whether he believes or disbelieves that Oswald was in on the shooting. I only want to know whether he can be trusted.

I had tried to establish contact with Braverman, but got a cursory reply. Subsequently I sent him my piece on the mis-aligned scope sight and got no reply. If I undertake to consult Braverman, I may have to ask you for a recommendation.

I was incautious about my piece on the scope-sight (not in its preparation or conclusions, but in freely discussing what I was doing), ~~but this matter is quite different~~ for I did not regard it as excessively important. But this matter is quite different, for if it works out as I expect, Robert Frazier will be hit very hard, not just for lying, but for deliberately preparing inculpatory objects when he knew that Oswald was innocent-- even while Oswald was alive. I ^{felt it could} understand his lie about the scope-sight as an effort to make it easier to prove something that he believed was true; that Oswald was involved in the shooting. But there is not such flimsy excuse in this ~~xx~~ matter, for if I am right, Frazier's action itself is unassailable evidence that he knew Oswald was innocent.

When my work is complete and I am absolutely certain that it is correct, I'll let you know about it. Presently, however, I am reluctant to mention it in detail, for there is still some very basic material that lack of equipment has kept me from proving.

Good luck.

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