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Personal

Mr. David G. McCord
The Davis Building
Dallas, Texas

Dear Sir,

Please excuse me for taking the liberty of addressing a request for information to a stranger. I have not been able to obtain the information, needed for research that I am undertaking, from conventional sources such as newspapers and directories. Consequently, I am turning to you in the hope that you will do me this service, if you are able, and assuring you of my gratitude and appreciation for any help you may be able to give.

I am enclosing an excerpt from the official transcript of the interrogation of Jack Ruby by the Warren Commission, in which you will find a reference to yourself as well as to individuals named Dave Lane and Alfred McClain, both apparently deceased.

Can you please indicate the date, place, and cause of death for either or both of these individuals?

Please feel free to telephone me collect at Chelsea 2-4293, if you wish, or to write if you prefer. With many thanks,

Yours sincerely,

Sylvia Meagher
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Mr. Ruby The Fox brothers came to Dallas--I don't know which one it was--to collect a debt that some man owed the Cotton Gin Co. here...He gave some bad checks on a gambling debt, and they came to visit me. The lawyer, I think, is Mark Lane. That is the attorney that was killed in New York?

Chief Justice Warren That is the fellow who represents, or did represent Mrs. Marguerite Oswald. I think I read in the paper where he no longer represents her.

Mr. Rankin He is still alive though.

Chief Justice Warren Oh, yes.

Mr. Ruby There was one Lane that was killed in a taxicab. I thought he was an attorney in Dallas.

Chief Justice Warren That was a Dave Lane.

Mr. Ruby There is a very prominent attorney in Dallas, McCord. McCord represents the Fox brothers here. They called me because the Fox brothers wanted to see me, and I came down to the hotel...and if I recall, I didn't show them off to the airport at that time. That is when they were still living in Havana, the Fox brothers. We had dinner at--how do you pronounce that restaurant at Love Field? Luau? That serves this Chinese food. Dave McCord, I was in his presence, and I was invited out to dinner, and there was an attorney by the name of Leon. Is he associated with McCord? And there was a McClain.

Chief Justice Warren Alfred was killed in a taxi in New York.

Mr. Ruby He was at this dinner meeting I had with McCord...

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