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Dear Mr. Johnson,

Thank you for your recent letter. I appreciate your efforts to obtain some information on the arraignment process in Dallas; however, I suspect that it will be very difficult to pry loose any information, especially if linked specifically to Oswald.

Your approach to the reading of the 26 Volumes is quite right, since Volumes XVI-XVIII contain the exhibits discussed in the first five volumes of testimony. You will find in the Foreword of Accessories a description of the structure (such as it is) of the 26 Volumes.

I am not very familiar with the Archives, having visited there only once, in mid-1965. I suspect that there is not much you can accomplish there in a single day, but suggest that if you have not already seen it elsewhere you should ask for a screening of the Zapruder film. You might also ask to see the item of physical evidence captioned "3. A metal fragment from the arm of Governor Connally..." in the photograph which appears on page 88 of Curry's book. My reasons for suggesting this should be self-evident and I will be very interested in the response to your request by the Archives staff. You realize, of course, that this "metal fragment" has never surfaced, apart from this photo in Curry's book, and officially does not exist and has never existed, although Curry seems not to have noticed that.

I enclose another copy of the "notice" on microfilm copies of the Subject Index, which provides all the information which I have at my disposal. As I mentioned earlier, they seem to be very slow to fill orders.

The document mentioned in Accessories on the undeliverable package is CD (Commission Document) No. 205 page 148.

If you should come to New York, by all means do feel free to phone.  
With best wishes,

Yours sincerely,