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Dear Ms. Meagher:

I am a freelance writer and teacher living in Houston, and a long-time student of the assassination of John Kennedy and the Warren Report. I am also an acquaintance of Penn Jones, Jr., and I am presently working on a lengthy feature piece on Penn.

The feature is a personality study of Penn Jones the man (Jacques. Maritain, who had great respect for Penn, spoke of him as "a vanishing breed") within the larger context of the ten-year retrospective, the many disturbing implications of Watergate, and the prospect of Senator Edward Kennedy's presidential candidacy in 1976.

Penn is of course a very controversial figure. I'm well aware that many critics do not take him seriously. In an effort to do a balanced article, I am trying to gain an overview not only of his work, but of his background, his colleagues and their opinions, his motivations, and so on, within the impress of the issues that have been raised by the terrible events of November 1963 and their aftermath.

That is why I am writing to you, among a number of persons who have been active in this field and who have known Penn personally or have corresponded with him.

Would you be kind enough to give me, as fully and as objectively as possible, your impressions of this extraordinary man and his work? I would be very much interested in your frankest opinions and will perhaps use a quote or two from your correspondence, assuming that is agreeable to you.

(I would very much appreciate a prompt reply if that is convenient for you; I am running into deadlines.)

Thank you for your time and consideration. I hope all goes well with you.

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