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Dear Howard,

Thank you very much for your letter of the 8th and its enclosures. I had been speaking of you only the night before your letter arrived, to Leo Sauvage, who borrowed a copy of Presumed Guilty from my bookcase. I am really happy to learn that your book will be reissued with a new cover and a photo section. As Sauvage said, he had never heard of your book, which confirms that Fairleigh Dickinson did nothing to publicize it. I hope that the republication of your book will lead to much wider circulation and the success it deserves.

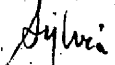
I found your memorandum on 605 Elsbeth Street most interesting and valuable. One thing that has concerned me is the library card with the Elsbeth Street address, which is mentioned in the Manning Clements report of his supposed inventory of the wallet on the night of 11/22/63. For my discussion and suspicion of Clements, see ANF chapter on "Hidell". Your analysis of the compilation of the list at the Depository goes much farther than I went and comes up with the really provocative possibility that <sup>an</sup>LHO was checked out—one who could not have been the real LHO—a very exciting possibility. Congratulations on your keenness with this material.

Your notes on Brewer are also interesting. I have never trusted or accepted the official story of Brewer's pursuit of LHO into the theater, etc. According to that story, Brewer would have left the shoestore unattended, on the strength of a far-fetched suspicion of a man who stopped in the entranceway—a familiar man, at that, since Oswald had been a customer at the same shoestore at least once in the past! That is, I think, somewhere in Brewer's testimony.

I read your letter to Paul Hoch re Thompson with concern and sadness. I think the same criticism of him was made when his book first came out but I no longer recall his rejoinder. Perhaps Paul and/or Thompson will have a reply to your letter, which I should of course like to see.

With personal regards and cordial good wishes,

Yours sincerely,

  
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