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Dear George,

I would like to ask you to use your good offices with Mary Ferrell or any other Dallas contacts you may have who may be in a position to obtain some information which will throw further light on the question of the arraignment of Oswald? Specifically:

- (1) Is there a transcript of the arraignment of Oswald for the murder of J.D. Tippit on 11/22/63 at 7:10 p.m. before Judge David Johnston, Wm. Alexander of the DA's office, Fritz, Sims, Boyd and Hall present? If so, is it a matter of public record and can a copy be obtained?
- (2) The same information as in (1) above, this time in the arraignment of Jack Ruby on 11/24/63, Judge Pierces McBride, Alexander, Frits, Rose, and Inspector Kelly of the Secret Service present.
- (3) What is the legal requirement and standard procedure in Dallas as to transcripts of arraignments for homicide, and what were the requirements and procedures normally used in 1963?

Any information on these questions would be greatly appreciated and I would, of course, gladly and promptly pay any costs for copies of transcripts of the arraignments in question, if available, or other expenditures to obtain these facts.

Best personal regards,

Hastily,

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