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Dear Miss Simmons,

Your letter is most gratifying and extremely kind, thank you. It means a great deal to all the critics and researchers—certainly, to me personally—after two years of stone walls and vast deafness to know that there is encouragement and support for our point of view.

To turn to your questions: I agree with the first two; on the third, yes, Kerth was Mrs. Oswald's attorney in her divorce suit to dissolve the Kestahl marriage, but it seems to be a genuine coincidence (as opposed to some of the implausible "coincidences" which poikmark the evidence). On the fourth question—I cannot comment because I profoundly doubt that it was Oswald who killed Tippit. The fifth—yes, they did have post office boxes in the same terminal branch, in proximity. Six, seven, and eight—worth thought. The handwritten question—no, the record does not reflect any offer of immunity; I think the position is that the Warren Commission could not offer such immunity in the case of an offense subject to a local jurisdiction on which a jury had already reached a verdict. The offer of immunity would apply only to charges of perjury and the like on which the Commission itself could request the Attorney-General to file an action.

I have often longed for a contact in Dallas who could provide information or make inquiries that require being on the spot—for example, to reenact and time the taxi ride (under varying traffic conditions) from the Grayhound bus terminal near the Depository to North Beckley and 7th (and/or 8th). Another example—a clear diagram of the police building indicating each and every entrance or exit, with some descriptive information (bearing in mind that Ruby's means of entry into the basement was not established conclusively but only on the basis of probability, and I find serious cause to doubt that he did enter via the Main Street ramp). There are a good number of such inquiries to be made and if you find it feasible to attempt one or two, wonderful! Do write again and tell me something about yourself—your work, contacts, and resources in terms of reaching people for conversation or interviews. Better still, phone me collect if you like—Area code 214, Chelsea 2-4293, evenings.

Thanks again for your kindness.

Yours sincerely,

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