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S, RB, HR, GS, PH, JW re: court papers in CA2569-70

I've completed the draft of a book-length response to an awful bunch of stuff the Government dumped on me in three installments in response to my motion for Summary Judgement in this case, which is for pictures of the clothing, copies of those existing and suppressed and copies to be made for me, by them, under my supervision. The retyping is not yet completed. But the total number of pages in my response and its addenda are considerable. Legal sized.

The original and a certain number of copies go to the Court and the USAtty and the defendants, Archives and GSA. The remaining carbons will not be of the best quality for xeroxing. So, I plan to xerox the original before filing. Bud also says he will want a xerox. I'll be preserving my xerox in the event that I may want to reproduce parts, as I anticipate I will in PM.

I have no reason to believe any of you will want or feel you need a copy. However, in order to let you decide for yourselves, I've devised a devilish torture:

I have the ribbon copy and one carbon. I'll be sending these asking in each case that the recipient forward to specified others. In this way, you can all decide for yourselves. If anyone knows in advance he has no interest, I'd appreciate knowing as soon as possible, so I can cut that name off the forwarding lists.

Of course, if anyone wants a copy of the original complaint, the Government's "Answer", my Motion for Summary Judgement and an amendment to it, and the Government's instant Motion for Summary Judgement combined with one to dismiss, it can be arranged. I think these serve little purpose except as documentation of the most deliberate dishonesty yet, if that is of interest. And, if it is, then this enmity is the best single source, for I don't think I missed much and it does have answers.

The problems this presented to me were rather considerable. At the beginning of the relatively short period of time I had for this large labor I was, for the first time, making like a lawyer, where I sued an SOB who owes me money. Guess I didn't do too badly because tomorrow will be the fourth week and there has not been any decision. Aside from the ~~task~~ other things I had to do - and did - I was handicapped for most of the time by bursitis and other minor problems. And my wife was working, and long overtime at that. Were it not that I have been able to get a nice girl who is good at it to do some of the typing, I'd not be as close as I am to finished. However, I'll have to file the papers unread, which I would not recommend if there is any choice. ... I do not recommend, if anyone wants a copy, getting the exhibits. I quote them at sufficient length in the text and they'll cost too much. They are numerous and consist largely of my correspondence with the Government. I do not expect it to ever be adjudicated, but I think that by patience and through their desperation, Rhoads has committed perjury. I so charge in these papers. The problem is, will the judge even read them! Bud hasn't see the stuff they certified to the Court they served on me but didn't, and after that I had to ask three times to get it, but it included an affidavit by Rhoads that is, to my layman's thinking, open and shut perjury, one reason I attach so much of my correspondence with him as exhibits.

I think (I haven't asked) that it will be possible to get Jim Lesar to have the xeroxing done for his set and at much cheaper rates than I can. But a rough guess is 100 pages. If this is done, it should all be done at once, otherwise it will be burdensome for him.

There is a very big "if" in this: if the judge reads the papers. If he doesn't, I think things may be a bit different, for what I charge and prove ought be actionable. Perjury, serious as that is, is not all. The Government invented new dirty tricks for this one. At first, when the US Atty phoned me Thursday, that he was worried. I still think so. But I think his real purpose was real dirty, and it will take time to tell. But an example of how dirty, aside from the incredible lies and inventions and omissions in their legal papers, and aside from not letting me have the papers until a week before mine were due,

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papers, and aside from not letting me have the papers until a week before they were due, they mailed the last so they could expect it not to reach me until the day my response was due! I got it yesterday, only by accident. With today Sunday, ~~tomorrow~~ tomorrow no mail and the papers due the next day, see?

All of this and more for which I've no time may be the official norm today, I think not, and if I'm right, they're up tight, real tight.

If anyone plans a suit of his own, this may have some value to him.

And I think you should also understand that if I win it means only that the Government will appeal, and I'll face an entirely new set of problems.

But they made lots of mistakes. Perhaps the one we've been looking for. They in effect, made this into a political case, the overtone being that the Kennedys and the Secret Service and the Archies -everybody but Justice - is responsible for the suppressions. And I address that. You may be interested in my interpretations of the family contract and the relevant law.

I also discovered what may be innocent but may be a major contradiction between the family contract and the Clark ex order. It maybe only semantic, but they'll have a chance to say that. It is not what the records say.

I've just returned from picking up an instalment of the typing. The caption on the first page will tell you the kind of law I practise: "Defendants' Citations, or Telling it Like it Isn't. And, something about the citations? I checked them!

Just realized I'll have to hold the original for a while in case there is an error. I hate to have to file papers I've not had a chance to read, retyped rough drafts in court....

Sincerely,

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