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Dear Mr. Ward,

DADF

In your letter of 7/5/77 you are absolutely correct.

I did not know that there are so many separate parts of the AF that have completely independent FOIA operations.

I think I counted 33 on the list you attached "should you [I] wish to address queries ~~to~~ them." I don't. And I don't really think that I be required to was in the Congressional mind when the Congress enacted the law.

But I have gone over the names of the various units. I see none with the word "veterinary" in it. Somewhere in your veterinary operations you do have records on me. I've seen them, as I have reference to other records you say do not show up on what I take to be and you do not say is a computer check. (These records that interest me pre-date computers.)

Your fourth paragraph also indicates you have been reading one set of Acts and I another. The one you quotes says I have to pay search fees under PA. Mine says otherwise.

You also want me to write the U.S. Attorney in Baltimore for USAF records.

In your business you should know better. The first thing he'd do is tell me to ask you, unless he is more generous than when I sued him. If there has been this change he would refer the records to you.

Which is where I started, isn't it, even telling you about him.

It is only because for some reason he departed from norm and did not provide copies as ordered under discovery that I now have to seek these records under PA. I know about them because I was permitted to examine them.

So I'm telling you again that while I don't know how the AF files its stuff there are not fewer than two file designations on me, I have seen them and some of the records, and I've told you how to go about obtaining them. I have to request identifiable records. When I identify a lawsuit it is my belief that I have met this requirement.

The language I read in one of the records is indicative of some kind of domestic-intelligence or political file.

What you say of DCII, of which I know, does not say that it includes a) what the military obtained elsewhere or b) references to what is said to have been destroyed. If there were records that were destroyed I still want those records. This is to say of the destruction.

Some of the legal records were referred to the AF some time ago, by the way. So your people are not even keeping you up to date.

Sincerely,

Harold Weisberg