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Office of the AG [redacted]

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[redacted] #4 yet you  
[redacted] label

[redacted] responsive. [redacted] of  
[redacted] entirely unpaid [redacted]

[redacted] by law [redacted]

[redacted]

Civil [redacted]  
them [redacted]

As [redacted] as [redacted] all they [redacted]  
[redacted] of [redacted]  
[redacted] provided no. [redacted]  
[redacted] Also, the obligation [redacted]  
provide [redacted] have not. Here I have specific [redacted]  
be regarding [redacted] other instances.

[redacted] utterly meaningless to me and [redacted]  
[redacted] something a good-faith search [redacted]  
[redacted] of two things: It can tell me [redacted] its  
commander in chief [redacted] absolutely nothing, did not generate [redacted]  
[redacted] proof and justification of the destruction [redacted]  
records. [redacted] produce them. "Do you believe the Army did not generate a  
single [redacted]

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Obviously I do not know who has responsibility for what in the Army and I do not pretend to. But I do know that with regard to your office I did have conferences and conversations with ranking officials, colonels and generals, on a matter in which the Secretary of Defense had taken a personal interest. He also issued orders that certain things be done and these also involved the office of which you are part. I have seen some such records.

As a matter of fact there was a major conflict involving your office in this matter, one area important to your office was when the federal torts claims act and when the military claims act applied or could be used.

There was litigation, twice. The first set a precedent very unfavorable to the fly boys. There were Congressional hearings on this.

And on all of this you have ~~nothing~~?

Can you believe it?

If you stop pretending that you are a thing unto yourself, totally divorced from anything else in the Army, you'll find existing records that will give your searchers all they need. Some have been provided to me by other than you.

Not only do I resent your language and the flagrant refusal to do what the Acts require, I resent the situation in which you seek to put me and in which the situation does put me. I am getting along in years. For several <sup>1</sup> have been seriously limited by ~~asthma~~ thrombophlebitis. Recently further complications have developed. I am limited in what I can do and in time. I am not imagining the existence of records. I have given the Army ample leads on them. It once provided some of them. I was to have been given copies under discovery but was not. I have provided descriptions of others. The Department of Justice has sent it copies for action, months ago.

Shame on you for writing me as you have and for whipping me around like this!

If your people can't provide any copies of the Powell records, why don't you get back what your people let the FBI have? They are still Army records. I am entitled to them and I do want them.

Sincerely,

Harold Weisberg