

To Quin Shea from Harold Weisberg, King assassination records appeals 6/23/79
Withholding of MURKIN-related records not filed in Central Files MURKIN files
SA JC. Lawn as one to consult for records not provided and any allegedly lost
or mislaid

PA request

Attached 44-38861-6018 is one of several records copies of which I made some time ago for purposes of appeal and did not find until today. It was prepared by Mr. Lawn, who also prepared attached 600? relating to the moving of King assassination records then for use of CRD.

Serial 6018 requires there to have been other records that are not provided. If they are filed other than in FBIHQ MURKIN this record makes them relevant to MURKIN and the FBI's pretense of inaccuracies by me makes them relevant to what it has placed in its public reading room. Without them it does infer that I was not accurate when in fact in even the bobtailed and not completely faithful wire service "pony" account of my press conference the fact is that I was accurate.

The method used is to bracket my "allegation" with alleged "fact," which is what Mr. Lawn does. He did not invent this FBI procedure for misinforming high er-ups.

Of course any and all such records should have been provided in compliance with my now pretty old PA request.

Because the same wire service announced my press conference and that I would be making available what to then I had received in C.A. 75-1996 I do not presume that this brief encapsulation is all that the FBI has.

What I really said is that the damage to Dr. King's clothing was not by a pristine bullet and was caused by the explosion of the bullet, which caused a second wound and the damage to the clothing. This is unquestionably true. (I also said that the FBI's clothing tests allegedly disclosed only lead of the components of a bullet and I gave away xeroxes of the record.)

I did not say there was no mark on the windowsill and could not have. What I said is that the FBI could not and did not relate that mark with the Ray rifle, which is true, despite its semantics.

The rest the FBI confirms and "explains" away.

This is not the only press conference I held relating to the King assassination. However, no records relating to any others have been provided, nor any relating to my other appearances. There is no reason to believe that when a memo of this sort has copies sent to nine officials there was no earlier interest.

No copy is provided from any other file. Although the UPI account opens with a reference to the FOIA suit there is no such filing indicated on this copy.

This is not the copy on which other distribution is indicated. There is a stamp holding about a dozen and a half such routing. No mark is placed there, which is not normal practise.

I appeal the withholding of the other copies, any one of which can hold a notation that can be significant to me. Significance in the litigation also is possible.