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Dear Mr. Weisberg,

I am attempting to assemble photographic material for a General Studies course about the JFK assassination at the college where I teach, and wonder whether you are able to help me.

Mr. Bernard Fensterwald of Committee to Investigate Assassinations has suggested that you might be prepared to send me a complimentary copy of your book Photographic Whitewash.

I was fascinated to read that James Garrison issued as a press release a set of photos showing a rifle bullet being recovered by police in Dealey Plaza. A request to Garrison's office for a set has received no reply. Do you know of any way I could obtain copies?

Finally, I understand that Phil Willis's colour slides taken during the assassination were at one time sold commercially. Do you know whether they are still available? If so, where should I write?

With regard to the "False Oswald" thesis which you put forward in your book Whitewash, I would like to draw your attention to a small item in the Hearings which may have escaped your attention. This is Commission Exhibit 2934, an FBI report ^{of an interview} with a man called Beard who claimed to have seen Oswald at a turkey shoot. What I find extremely interesting is this paragraph near the end:

On leaving the office in the company of SA CARTER, a young man was observed in the reception room of the Dallas Office of whom Mr. BEARD remarked, "Boy, he sure looks like Oswald."

Since this report is dated Dec. 7, 1963, and since, in addition to all the newspaper publicity, Beard was shown photos of Oswald during the interview, this unnamed young man who was presumably waiting to be interviewed must have borne a very strong resemblance to Oswald indeed, stronger for example than Ruby's employee Craford whom several witnesses mistook, retrospectively, for Oswald. It occurred to me afterwards that examination of other FBI reports for December 7 might reveal the identity of this mysterious young man, but I have not as yet had a chance to follow this up.

Sincerely,



Brian J. Burden