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Dear Mark,

Thought you'd have cast^d the yoke aside by now.

What you say about money from Harry is so very true. He wastes an enormous amount of time, makes imperious demands not uncommonly irrational, if you know the fact, insists on taking time, and even if the money he gave amount^{ed} to something it would hardly compensate for the time he takes and wastes.

He never told me that he was "testing" me but he says it to and about others in various ways. Sometimes it is to cover his own ass or to explain stupidities away.

I think you are not alone in not having gotten any recent attention from him. While I have no knowledge I believe his book is taking all the time he has now. Because he has been silent for so long and because he was to have turned the ms. in 4/15, he has been late or it is taking much time or both. Whatever causes it, it is a blessing!

I'm surprised at having heard nothing from the states attorney's office. I presume that means they have not rejected the case and I believe that although any such case does present problems for any prosecutor, the explanation may actually come from consultations. With the postal inspectors and the Baltimore authorities most likely.

He has been a menace in some ways and his potential is frightening, the reason I went to local authorities. With a family there is more to worry about, of course.

I have no indication of any FBI investigation. But I gave Rookstool enough for them to decide that if he did not violate any law they had to investigate for their own protection.

And I continue in the belief that when he finds his High Trash ~~is~~ trash is when he can be more dangerous, including to himself.

I am inclined to believe that Robert was close to correct in saying that Harry did poorly on deposition. He is his own worst enemy. At the same time I regard a settlement for \$22,000 is a poor one for Robert. His costs may well have eaten that up. I'm surious about what he testified to.

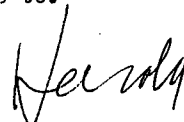
If you can say, to whom do you refer in saying that "some very powerful and helpful people were quietly moving ^{into} his (Harry's) corner before he went off the deep end....?" I suppose that Blakey could have been one. Robert's enemies?

I do not recall what I said about Texans but all those interested in the JFK assassination save perhaps one or two no longer in it were very thoughtful polite, gracious and often helpful people. Their case view may be something else but personally they were just about all rather nice,

Hope all is going well with you and that it continues to.

And that we hear nothing more from Harry!

Best,



May 27, 1993 8:00 am

Dear Harold,

Just had a chance to read through your letter. Things have been busy since the transfer but should ease up soon. I have heard absolutely nothing for the last 6 weeks with the exception of Robert asking me to do a minor favor in equalizing a sound clip for his video.

I want to respond to a few items in your letter. Fox never shared the limo pictures with me and I never saw them but twice. At that time was woefully ignorant as to their possible importance.

Harry paid me \$1520 in 1991 and \$4500 in '92. When you balance that against some \$2000 in phone calls, over \$2,000 in photo processing for people whom Harry instructed me to send pictures to. Add in hundreds of lost hours of business time and family time and last but not least, the value of the material I gave him for use in HT 2, Well, if anyone gave anyone a fortune I think it was the other way.

Harry, by his own words, was always testing other people. The problem is he'd test them with some big secret which he'd told others, then when the secret leaks he boasts that his subject failed a test.

Since Harry has left me alone and I have received no indications that he continues to use my name then I'm satisfied. His actions from December thru March placed myself, my family and my business in great peril. If he comes at me again I'm ready with enough to send him, Baltimore Police IA, The FBI, and C&G all down in one fell swoop.

I really can't add any intelligent insight into your comments concerning the Dallas crowd since I really know very little about them. My knowledge is based totally on what Lifton and Harry have told me over the years. As I think I've said in previous letters, after 8 years of talking with Lifton I had a somewhat prejudicial view of the Dallas community as "snake oil merchants." But the ones I've met and spoken to have always been very gracious so I have no real argument with any of them.

I believe there is or was an FBI investigation that began in December, or perhaps earlier and was accelerated by Harry's actions, though not for their benefit. I say this based on 23 years of "newsman's instinct." We may still see some action.

Robert told me the other week, while I was working on the audio clip, that the lawsuit was going to be settled for \$22,000 because Harry did poorly at his deposition. This may or may not be true. Harry will never know how hard I fought to keep his (Harry's) communications with me, out of Robert's hands. I don't think he'll ever appreciate the fact that some very powerful and helpful people were quietly moving into his corner before he went off the deep end last fall and winter.

Best,

Mark Crouch