

Dear Bob,

1/7/83

We thank you very much for the check and for the thoughtfulness it represents. I've posted on it that it will be used in JFK assassination research and probably in an FOIA case.

Only recently Lil had to go over our books and calculate what I'd spent in the King case, filed in 1975. That does not mean all expenses, only those that are recognized as court-related. After she told me what it came to - and it can't even include all of those because often I forgot to record them - I wondered how in the world I'd done it. It came to \$17,000+. Then I remember that a small piece of property I had had been condemned and added to a park. I'd used that to pay off my debts and I suppose Lil had this laid aside for some such use.

For us \$17,000 is an awful lot of money\$

And that is but one case.

It is very helpful of you and we certainly do appreciate it! Many thanks!

The calendar is quite attractive. Although the numbers are small and indistinct to my eyes from my desk (cataracts, too) I've hunted the bank's calendar and out your pretty one in its place. Those are beautiful pictures.

There have been no major developments in the FOIA cases except for the field offices JFK case, where the judge has told the FBI to scratch around a little more. I've just finished another affidavit in that case and now Lil will retype it.

We await the appeals court decision in the spectro/NAA case, which was argued about three months ago. I'm hopeful that we'll again prevail, but that will mean a great additional amount of work. I've asked that the FBI be required to do tests the results of which it now claims it can't find ever again and disclose the results of the new tests.

I have slowed down a bit more. I do not attribute it to any further medical deterioration. Rather do I think it is a combination of weariness, age and lost muscles, from inactivity, at least relative inactivity. I can't do much at a time, but I get a little exercise other than the three hours I still spend every morning walking at a nearby mall. (I can do from 1/6 to 1/3 of a mile before I have to rest and raise the worse leg.) I've moved about 4 cords of oak from the woods, where it was stacked, to the house where it is under the overhang and out of the weather. This required innumerable trips with a garden cart. I could have used my tractor/mower with my trailer, but that would not have given me the little exercise I got. I now also take in the football games on Sundays, for the first time since before World War II. Relaxing and I've been enjoying them. Used to work in that time, too.

If you can get down again in the spring, that would be great. Lil will have another fine salad, but they are never alike. She likes to play around with what she has on hand. That makes them more fun.

Before WWII I used to make the salad at the table. Had a fine, unfinished wooden bowl and individual ones for each person. They turned rancid during the war. Wish I knew how to remove that without ruining them. They must be real antiques by now.

Again, many thanks and our best wishes for the best of possible years.

Our best,

Harold -

1/4/83

I've been meaning to send you a check to help out wherever it'll do the most good for a while - now, at the turn of the year, it was the right time -

I'd heard you were slowed down a bit more but I'm sure you're only down to our normal speed -

I'm under audit by IRS and they questioned a donation to Jack Gordon's college - when the girl saw JFK, research written by the college on the face of the check she passed it without question. please write something on this one for me like legal services JFK research - I have it under 'Services' in my books

it's ridiculous to have to always
reimburse the government but
I'm sure you can handle that
detail - even with a smile.

someday in the spring I hope
to make another DC trip -
your good wife's salad is
a real temptation -

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