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Dear Bud,

I have just finished a hasty reading, not a close study, of decision of the Tennessee Supreme Court 1/9/70 in the Ray case.

I believe this decision can be attacked, I would hope with success, on further appeal, if that eventuates, on a number of factual and legal grounds that only those aware of the finest detail of fact would understand.

These were tanked-up lemmings who wrote this decision. They are aware of a gross defect and they skirt around it. They infer, imply, do everything but say the decision was "voluntary". However, there is serious factual error that is the basis of the decision, which is eloquent endorsement of the professional incompetence of counsel.

I do not go into detail here. I merely make a memo for possible future use. I have marked up the decision in a way that I am confident will recall what I now have in mind should it become necessary.

Sincerely,

Harold Weisberg