

May 6, 1975

Mr. Bernard Fensterwald, Jr.
Executive Director
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Dear Bud:

I have been informed that yesterday you, Dr. Wecht, Prof. MacDonell, and Bob Smith held a press conference which, among other things, addressed itself to the spectrographic and neutron activation analyses which Harold has been trying to obtain for the past nine years.

Since on Friday, May 2, I reported to you the latest developments on the spectro suit now before Judge Pratt and you did not then inform me of this pending press conference, it is apparent that you intended to conceal it from me.

In view of this, I have no alternative but to resign my position as legal counsel for the Committee to Investigate Assassinations. I resign also from the Committee's Board of Directors.

I request that you remove my name from the Committee's letterhead stationery or, until that becomes feasible, that you scratch it out.

Sincerely yours,

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Dear Jim:

It seems unusual to be writing you rather than chatting,
but so be it.

We are sorry to lose you as a Director and as Counsel but,
of course, we will abide by your wish.

For your information, no attempt was made to hide anything
from you. The press conference was planned strictly as an
attempt to debunk the Rockefeller's phony investigation,
specifically, the appointment of four "Baltimore patholo-
gists." The spectrographic analyses, etc., were made a
prominent subject not by others but by Harold. In any event,
Wecht and others were sent the materials by the Archives
and didn't "steal" it from anyone.

I will not repeat the following nor later say 'I told you
so.': I am somewhat older than you and have known Harold
longer than you; and I would suggest that you not tie
yourself to him to the exclusion of all others, not me
necessarily, but others in general. You, your family, and
your career deserve better.

Best regards.

Sincerely,

Bud

Bernard Fensterwald, Jr.

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