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Dear Mrs. Garnett,

Strange you phone me at our correct address and write to the one we left seven years ago.

It is not easy for the dedicated and concern<sup>ed</sup> to avoid a feeling of frustration or futility, but please take my advice and cool it. You are building yourself into such a state.

I appreciate your efforts very much. And I'm glad to have the list of university published. But for practical purposes I exhausted their possibilities on the subject eight years ago. There are flukes. One is bringing out the book of a young friend. It won't appear until fall. If he had sensational new information in it they would not touch it. It is a fine recap and this they will print. A small one. Press, that is.

All the suits of which you talk I have filed or have in court right now. I expect the young lawyer who is handling the newest momentarily. These suits are not news, not even when I do the almost unheard of, get a summary judgement as I did against the Dept. Justice for material for Frame-Up, my book on the King assassination (with some JFK materials in it).

There is no front at all possible on which I am not active.

3/10. Please try not to be discouraged or to be too influenced by the under-informed and over-reported who spout the paranoid. The truth is bad enough and nothing will be accomplished by flying into the futile.

I can't and don't say I have tried everything. I do say I have made constant efforts over a decade and from it have learned what has some chance and what has none. And I do try, as I continue working as best I can for a very long day, last night until I zonked out after the lawyer left and I started at 4 a.m. today.

At the moment nothing seems possible except gathering information and putting it together. So, except where I must stop for other things, I do keep working at these, on my own and with a few of the young, of whom this lawyer is but one.

Please also do not be depressed if your mind tells you this is all impossible. It is not. It is a tough one. We have just won an initial victory, the first, in the King/ Ray case. Despite being broke and in debt and from these things also pretty immobile I was able to do the entire investigation that made this possible and to help this same young lawyer with the preparation of a book-length habeas corpus petition that prevailed in the court of appeals. While trying to give you some encouragement, I must also tell you that this case, too, will proceed slowly, with all the impediments corrupt government can place in the way. Their first will be to appeal out victory to the Supreme Court. This will mean that this young lawyer and I will have three cases there simultaneously, and it should also tell you that we do try.

More important than our lack of financing, and we have none and neither of us has a personal income, is the cowardice and dishonesty of the media. However, we do keep trying there, too.

So, keep the faith, baby! That much you can do. It is important to you and to your family and in its way it helps those of us who are trying.

Sincerely,

RFD #1

Ellsworth, Me.

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Dear Mr. Weisberg,

Have told Wayne Mayo your message & am enclosing a list of college presses that I got from the U of Maine. They don't grind large volumes from what Dr. Clark said. Thought the list might be of some help.

Hope you are having luck in your endeavor to publish "Post-Hotem".

Have read Epstein, Lane, Buchanan, & you three, & am now on Meyer's book. I'm leaving out Bishop's fantastic fairy tale. It is incredible & impossible that this situation be allowed to continue. The Commission has got to be exposed. Oh - also read Harrison's book "Heritage of Stone" & thought it very good, contrary to what I thought I'd think. He didn't seem far out at all. Wish he'd given more direct quotes & been more specific in places - also that he'd given sources.

Could any court case be undertaken to charge the Commission with conspiracy (to defraud or obscure)? How about a suit to expose the X-rays and/or photos - since it was a joint autopsy, not a Kennedy family project? Perhaps I'm clutching at straws, but can't something be done - legal wise?

Take luck!

Sincerely,  
Leroy Hammett