

1/22/71, later

Dear Lou,

You were not in when I called back after speaking to Bob. His hasty note in the event you do not call back before I have to leave in about an hour, when I'll mail this.

Bob remembers more than I had notes on, is willing, may be able to help you produce at least one witness to corroborate, but, in his own interest and to avoid what almost happened to him in Boston, will insist upon a subpoena.

As my request, he taped our conversation and will keep the tape. It will show that I did not prime him, deliberately avoid it, and that this is all voluntary on his part.

More, he tried to phone Alcock about this several times (I think he said three) and Alcock never phoned him back. (Maybe I was wrong in that letter I wrote?)

He was with Beauboeuf in both the jury room and what I did not know, at lunch. Also with them was another witness, the court reporter who took Andrews testimony for the Warren Commission. He knows there was also another person but doesn't recall who.

He also spoke to one of you about this he says you, and that you showed him a slip of paper dealing with the offer to Beauboeuf.

I also made and filed a tape of the entire conversation, as he knew, including the long pauses while he got his tape recorder, while we went to another phone, etc. The total cost, including tax, was \$24.40. The conversation lasted 45 minutes. You cannot listen to it without knowing that he does recall, that I did not prime him, and he repeated several times that Beauboeuf made clear he was asked for nothing but the truth and he so understood it.

You should be able to locate that stenographer (a woman) with little trouble. She might remember who else had lunch with them. Now Bob is not sure where Beauboeuf said this. He began by saying it was at lunch, but as we talked he was less certain where, saying it could have been at lunch, on the way back, in the jury room, or a combination. Not only does he recall this, but as the tape will show, he anticipated the purpose of my call and I got him to say it, as the tapes will show. In short, you have your witness, you have his independence and voluntariness established, and you have the kind of thing that can kick Dymond back very hard, which makes me wonder if you really want to find and talk to that court reporter without knowing something about her attitudes and connections first. She may go running to Dymond or Wegmann or someone who might.

The impossible takes a little longer.

KABC-663-3311 Bob's home phone (both LA code) 889-3174. He usually sleeps until 10-11 a.m. because of the shift he works.