

Dear Art,

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The latest Ray case developments are further legal obstructions, from the state and those against whom discovery was ordered, ranging from Gerold Frank outward and downward. The state is appealing our discovery ruling to 6th circuit and without doubt from there to the Supreme Court to delay further and, of course, obstruct.

I have made some suggestions on how to cope with these tactics but don't know if they will be accepted.

One of the things that interests Lesar is an interview with Huie on KNBC. I refer to it in Frame-Up. Huie was still out there talking conspiracy a month after he is supposed to have concluded that there was none. A month plus after Foreman took the case over. Dr. Steve Pauley had taped this but I lost track of him. Any ideas on how or whether a tape can be obtained?

There is a constant degeneration in the stuff Bob Livingston is putting out. In yesterday's mail was a sheet from something called "Confidential Flash" in which he is quoted in an interview with Val Howard as saying that the "ing" and JFX assassins were "two black thugs" one of whom died in a Carolina jail last year.

He seems also to have been leaking improperly and hurtfully, racist stuff included.

I have finally had to give Ray as much of the scoop as I could. I'll be surprised if Jim also doesn't and if Ray remains silent. His case has been and daily is jeopardized by this insanity. I won't be surprised if Ray fires him.

I see none of the underground press except what others send me. I don't know what you see but anything quoting Livingston in any way can be helpful. We should know what he is saying and is up to and at some point we're going to have to figure out why. Maybe he has just flipped from attention. But it could be worse.

If Ray fires him and he reacts, that also could be of interest because what he says and how he says it may be informative to me as perhaps not to others. Undoing and trying to cope with this insanity has been taxing and time-consuming. Reasoning on this and Livingston have been like water and ducks' backs. Too bad.

I have heard nothing from the clerk of the court. No papers, etc.

Thanks and best,