

For after filing of all Ray-case papers

Dear Jim,

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I have seen nothing about it in the papers, but Finley tells me that the Chicago ACLU has filed an invasion of privacy suit against the Chicago "Red" squad.

And that conspicuous in the audience at the press conference announcing this suit were red-squad types.

I think that as in other cases, like that of the girl high school student in New Jersey, we should ask counsel for copies of all papers.

I didn't think to ask Larry to send me what stories he can. I'll do it later.

Going along with this is the resubmission of the Silbert nomination. Perhaps Ford will not make it again after the new session but that he makes it after its history and his is, I think, significant. It makes me believe that what I once proposed doing to confront Silbert with a charge of perjury against me or Rankin ought still be done.

In fact, I'd include "Heads and Williams. Do it right!

In the absence of response from Werdig on his misrepresentation ~~misinformation~~ to Maxine Jahn, I believe it would be right and proper to include this.

As time passes the accumulation of evidences of intrusion ~~in~~ into my rights becomes overwhelming. Aside from other phones, including my own, where there is no proof, there is proof of the phones on which I have to have been overheard and on a number of occasions. In no case was there a court order.

When there is time, let us consider all the possibilities.

The prejudices and the pusillanimity of the ACLU (despite the loud vocal bravery of both Shattuck and Morgan) are neither encouraging ~~nor~~ nor justification for trying to involve them. However, I would make the effort. There was a time when Shattuck was very encouraging on this. It ended almost the moment he introduced me to Wulf, a year ago this past May.

I'd at least make some kind of record of asking, with a summary of the in-hand proofs and of what discovery a) has to produce and b) ought.

On another subject, Art Potacque took what in the trade is known as a "cheap shot" at Mayer Daley by quoting Bob in one of his very irrational erratic rambles. I'll be getting copies for both of us. It seems that Bob has involved Daley through the cab-recovery business of Jimmy's so long ago. As an essential part of Jimmy's defense, no less! In Pulitzer Potacque's version, this will be an indispensable part of the Ray defense.

There will, in the end I believe, be ethical questions if something isn't done about Bob soon. And I don't mean disarming him or having him put in an institution, both of which seem indicated. I kinda get used to bumping up against his pistol and his checking it on the hatrack of my motel room. It bothers me less than almost anything else.

At some point after the papers are filed we must confront this. I mean the entire situation.

I am prepared with a fairly persuasive file.

Best,