

LHO - Imposter

To Quin Shea from "Harold Weisberg JFK assassination records 9/17/78

The date of the attached story headed "FBI Blocked Test of Oswald Brainwash Theory, Papers Say," is July 29, 1978. The unnamed litigant is Michael Levy. The case was before Judge Weisell.

Levy sued for records I was not able to sue for but are included in my prior requests of all agencies identified, including the Secret Service, I believe of more than seven years ago. Neither the CIA nor the FBI provided me with copies of the records provided to Levy.

It is my understanding that all the records provided to Levy were copies found in Secret Service files and that the copies provided to him came from the Secret Service rather than from its referrals to the FBI and CIA.

If there was this limitation the fact remains that the FBI has not provided the records to me as it should have in any event. They certainly are not in the Dallas Oswald records, which I reviewed recently.

The story is not complete and the head is misleading. There was also interest in trying to use the scars to determine if there was an imposter. The FBI and the Director were contemporaneously concerned about the possibility of an imposter obtaining and using Oswald identification if it was sent by mail to the USSR. I believe this concern was right and proper. I also believe that it would be nice to have the relevant records. These available at the Archives are not complete, are subject to misuse and misinterpretation and have been put to this wrongful uses. (Several years ago I was on the Panorama show to rebut these misuses, in opposition to two men one of whom was a former Department/Commission lawyer.)

Do not be misled by the quotation of the CIA expressing an alleged fear that rather than recuperating from the slash Oswald was elsewhere being brainwashed. An American named Kara-patnitsky was hospitalized simultaneously and established that it was Oswald. I cite this as only one of the reasons I believe it is important to have the records justifying the FBI's opposition to the CIA's move, which I have trouble believing was necessary if proper because there was an Oswald autopsy that shows scarring.

From prior experience I am led to believe that stories like this one contribute to mythologies and start new ones. This relates to an existing mythology, whether or not it launches others. I therefore believe that all relevant records should be available for an additional reason, simply that the truth be available.