

Dear Oliver,

11/1/78

Your letter from the hospital, of last Friday, and the waiver were in yesterday's mail. I have already sent the waiver to the Justice appeals officer. A copy is enclosed for your records. Your letter is quite helpful in enabling me to identify records still not provided.

There was nothing from you today, neither the 180 pages nor the transcripts of the taped conversations. I'll probably get this in tomorrow's mail to get it back to you faster.

I heard from Jerry today. He said he has gotten from Able some similar records. He also says he is sending me copies. However, I am still sending him the copies of what you sent that my wife had already made for him. I've not had a chance to package them but will tonight.

Any identification of any informer on the case can now be important, particularly because I am without doubt that the committee is up to dirtyworkings, particularly about John Ray. This makes the one you identified as Clyde only important. I know the committee has had a veritable parade in secret. Have you remembered or heard Clyde's last name? Or the names of any others? Do you remember the names of the others in that NSRP unit so I can ask for a search of records under their names?

Jim Lesar represents John without fee. So you can better understand what I think the committee is up to I repeat what it has included in the "biography" it has sent him and asked him to sign. I received this from Jim in today's mail. John testified that he had not robbed any bank. So they ask him to agree to an alleged biography that includes the robbing of these banks: Farmer Bank of Liberty, 10/17/69; Farmers and Traders Bank of Meredonia, 1/28/70 (in which they also ask Jerry in his "biography" to admit he was involved); State Bank of Laddonia, 2/29/70; and Bank of Alten, 7/13/67.

For a man who robbed so many banks - I forgot one in Florida, Bank of Hawthorne on 7/29/70 - John was awful broke when he was arrested on 10/27/70, only a month after the Florida job. If you don't know John got 18 years for driving a switch car while one actual robber was acquitted and got to keep the loot of the Bank of St. Peters job and the other, an escapee, when picked up in California got 18 months total. These names are Bennie Goldensen and Bennie Lee Miller or Jerry Lee, something like that. Money not admitted as admissable against Goldie was ruled admissable against John. I understand that Judge is now Director of the FBI.

There is to be a hearing in federal court on the 8th for the committee to immunize John again.

Sincerely,

P.S. I could read all of your letter okay  
except the name of the FBI agent. Is it Dennis Mattis?