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Dear Mr. Weisberg:

I have just finished reading your Case Open book and I now have some answers for those who think Posner's book really closed the case.

I am a retired Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation having served thirty two years, retiring last July. In November, 1963 I was a young Agent with two years experience stationed in Chicago. Although I never was assigned to the JFK case, nor did I ever cover any leads regarding it, my roommate at the time was sent to Dallas and was one of the many Agents working the case. Because of my knowledge of my roommate's character and integrity I never questioned or had any real interest in this case. But this all changed.


About six months before the Oliver Stone movie came out, I heard an interview on a radio talk show and along with all of the media criticism of the Stone movie that was not even released, I began to get interested. Since then I have read over two dozen books, viewed video tapes, listened to audio tapes and visited Dallas last November 22nd.

I have not read any of your other books primarily because I have not seen them. Would you please send me a price list for Whitewash, Whitewash II, Oswald in New Orleans, Whitewash IV and Post Mortem.

I now believe that Oswald did not fire any shots that day and thus, the Warren Report was wrong. I am now seeking the truth. I am NOT writing a book. If you have the time, when you send me your price list, would you comment on how many shots were fired, from which directions, and what knowledge did Oswald have of the plot? Thank you, and keep up your good work.

Sincerely,

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