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Dear Ray,

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When you told me about Anthony Pugliese's remarkable success in collecting Ruby material I wondered if I have anything that might interest him. If he is interested in originals only then all I can think of is something he has somehow gotten that is an original and a better one, the original of the Western Union money order Ruby sent his stripped. The original I have is an original copy. He has somehow probably gotten the original ribbon copy.

I do have at least a quarter of a million once-withheld JFK assassination records but they are xeroxes of the government copies. Of them there are thousands of pages of Ruby records. If any of them interest Pugliese he is welcome to copies.

There is something I have that I did not see in the Commission records and do not recall from the Ruby records. However, because I spent relatively little time in them they might be there. It is the psychological reports, defense and prosecution, pre-trial. The defense one turns out to have been correct, he was seriously mentally ill. They were sent to DA Henry Wade who sent copies to both sides and to the Commission. The xerox I have is from the archive of Senator John Sherman Cooper, a Commission member.

There is something about Ruby the records of which have never been disclosed. He was an FBI criminal informer for the probationary period only. He did not produce and they dropped him. Those records should have been disclosed to me in one of my lawsuits but with the fix judge we had they got away with withholding them. They are not within any FOIA exemption. If Pugliese would like to get them I'll be glad to tell him how. At least to begin with he needs no lawyer. The beginning is a request.

If he ever has one of those displays he makes with pictures and a bullet, etc., that is not up to his standard I am sure that Good College, where all my records will be and some are already, would be very glad to have it. If he has something like that and can spare it I think he should put a little plate on it identifying him as the donor because it will be part of a permanent public archive on the JFK assassination.

Sylvia Teagher's records are already there, with many boxes of mine for which I now have no need in my work. I think also that if he gives them something like that they would place it on a library wall for all to see.

I have no address for him. Will you please give this to him when you can?

Thanks and best to you all,

Harold