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February 3, 1966

Dear Sol,

We got dug out on the east side and got the first mail in four days both today. On the west side the snow still averages three feet. We had 30 inches. I have learned that it is possible to walk in snow that is waist deep. Only it is not much fun!

We had told Williams the client's equivalent of what you said, he asked us to think it over and we did not change our minds, but we still have heard nothing from him and clearly time keeps running on.

The Congressman is Charles McC. Mathias, Jr. He is a Republican, Lindsay-type, liber on such issues as Civil Rights, democratic rights, etc., and personally a very fine, sincere and hardworking fellow.

"Fascinating" is hardly the word for the history of the book. It is, so far as I now know, under consideration at three houses all of whom gave it priliminary approval. I may not recall correctly, but it is at least three. These were so encouraging, coming all at one time and one even by telephone! that we do feel a little let down.

You have nomidea how sorry I am Freda is troubled by noises. I know what they can mean and do. On the story of the snorer, I'd very much like the citation. I have heard of similar air-conditioning cases, but that one can be comic relief.

I suppose when the weather clears I'll be coming up to New York again, although I have no special plan in mind. One of my purposes will be to find out what is what, another to offer the book elsewhere, etc. I doubt if I'll do it until after I hear from one or two of the present possibilities.

Hello to Freda/

Sincerely,

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January 28, 1966

Mr. Harold Weisberg
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Dear Harold:

This is in response to your letter of January 18.

I am pleased to learn that your fears about your health have thus far proved to be substantially baseless.

It was interesting to read about your conference with Williams and about your reservations as to whether the conference really resolved the problem. My own feeling is that if he will stay with the case you should certainly stay with him. He's a topflight lawyer and in this field as in everything else it always pays to get the best.

What's the name of your liberal Congressman? I'm asking so that if we get any communication, that is either Arnold or I, we'll know who it is who's sending it and what the source is.

The continued saga of the trials and tribulations of your book on the assassination remains fascinating. But the key thing is that it be resolved soon and that it be published. I can only hope that you face the possible embarrassment of having multiple acceptances of your offer. If that develops, we'll be able to handle it easily enough.

On the matter of the corporate continuance of the Obolensky firm, there isn't really much we can do. If the discontinuance is due to the fact that there are really no assets available for us to sue against, then suit will simply mean throwing good money after bad. If there are assets available, then the corporate discontinuance won't make any difference since it can't serve to foreclose our rights against the assets. Only a bankruptcy can serve this purpose.

It was interesting to read about your other projects. Thanks for giving me a hint of them. My wife is particularly sensitive on noise danger in our society. She keeps complaining about the

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neighbors upstairs and downstairs and how they keep her awake at night and wake her too early in the morning, etc. There was an interesting story about a guy whose snoring kept his neighbor awake and who was then sued by the neighbor. The court resolved the matter by getting the two neighbors to share the cost of putting soundproofing up in the apartment of one of them.

Thanks for your kind words about Nancy. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

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