Dear Howard, 8/5/77

Your mailing here today on the Secret Service requests, with which you included their copy of my June 2, 1969, indicates to me that they are not abiding by the new guidlines. I do not know how much good it will do you to try to make a point of this.

TheyRe probably claiming it as purely internal. The lahguage is the Act is that this must be only internal.

I presume those Boggs send you are of no special significance because you make no reference to them.

Best.

5885 Edenfield Rd., Apt. B-29
Jacksonville, Fla. 32211

July 25, 1977

Thomas A. Trombly
SAIC, FOI/PA Staff
Office of Public Affairs
U.S. Secret Service
1800 G Street, NW Room 944
Washington, D.C. 20223

Dear Mr. Trombly:

I have received your letter of July 19, 1977 and the enclosures. I will need additional information and records before I can proceed with my FOIA request.

1. Some letters appear to have been omitted:
   a) I did not receive the letter to Dr. Rhoads enclosed with Weisberg's 10/17/69 letter to Rowley;
   b) I did not receive Mr. Kelley's letter of 11/3/69 referred to in Weisberg's 11/24/69 to Kelley;
   c) I did not receive Kelley's letter of 2/24/70 referred to in Weisberg's 2/25/70 to Kelley;
   d) I did not receive Kelley's 5/11/70 referred to in Weisberg's 5/13/70 to Kelley;
   e) I did not receive Kelley's 1/2/71 referredto in Weisberg's 1/11/71 to Kelley;
   f) I did not receive Weisberg's 7/22/75 referred to in Kelley's 7/30/75 to Weisberg.

Please send copies of each of these items.

2. You say "some documents have been withheld from disclosure." Please provide a list of exactly what documents are being denied to me, the number of pages in each, and the specific reason for withholding.

3. You invoke the investigatory file exemption. Please tell me what law was being enforced that now qualifies these records for "law enforcement purposes" protection.

4. Only one record that you sent contains a deletion: Mr. Weisberg's letter of 6/2/69 to Mr. Rowley. What is the specific reason for that deletion?

5. Mr. Kelley forwarded the "memo of transfer" to Dr. Rhoads at the Archives by letter dated March 6, 1970. Why was I not sent a copy of that letter?

6. You have twice now incorrectly addressed letters to me, first to Apt. "B-27" and then "B-24." My correct Apt. number is B-29. I would appreciate this simply courtesy.

Sincerely,

Howard Roffman

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY
UNITED STATES SECRET SERVICE
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

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JUL 19 1977

Mr. Howard Roffman
5885 Edenfield Road, Apt. B-24
Jacksonville, Florida 32211

Dear Mr. Roffman:

Reference is made to your letter dated June 25, 1977, pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act and to Mr. Harold Weisberg's authorization for released documents received in this office on July 7, 1977.

Enclosed are copies of Secret Service documents which pertain to your request. Some documents have been withheld from disclosure and others have had information deleted from them because they contain investigatory information compiled for law enforcement purposes. Pursuant to Title 5, United States Code, Section 552(b)(7)(E), they have been exempted since disclosure would disclose investigative techniques and procedures. Some deletions have been made pursuant to Title 5, United States Code, Section 552(b)(5) as matters that are inter-agency or intra-agency memoranda, and others in accordance with Title 5, United States Code, Section 552(b)(2) as information that pertains solely to internal rules and practices of the agency. The citations of the above exemptions are not to be construed as the only exemptions which may be available under the Freedom of Information Act.

Our file contains documents originated by the National Archives. We have forwarded your Freedom of Information request to the National Archives for their response to you.

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Fees are charged in accordance with Title 31 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 1A, Section 1.6(g). For your request, retrieval time was two hours at $5.00 per hour and 29 xerox pages at $.10 per page. Please send a certified check or money order in the amount of $12.90 payable to U. S. Secret Service, Financial Management Division, 1800 G Street, N.W., Room 905, Washington, D.C. 20223.

If you disagree with our determination, you have the right of administrative appeal within 35 days by writing to Freedom of Information Appeal, Deputy Director, U.S. Secret Service, 1800 G Street, N.W., Room 944, Washington, D.C. 20223.

Sincerely,

Thomas A. Trombly
Special Agent in Charge
Freedom of Information &
Privacy Acts Staff
Office of Public Affairs

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June 2, 1969

Mr. James J. Rowley, Director
U.S. Secret Service
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Rowley,

Inventoried as one of its source materials in the report of the special panel convened by then Attorney General Clark on the pictures and X-rays of the autopsy of President Kennedy is a memorandum of transfer dated April 26, 1965.

Because your agency is the agency of origin, I am writing to ask for a copy. For this purpose, whether or not there may be a copy or copies elsewhere is immaterial, I believe.

Because this document is one of the basic working papers and source materials of the report of this panel, used and published by the Government, I believe that if it was held to be subject to withholding before this use, the use in itself ended that possibility.

While I hope and expect you will respond by sending me a copy of this document, I am aware of a contrary possibility. In that event I respectfully ask that, as I believe is required by the Freedom of Information law, you explain in writing and cite the reason or authority.

Should you refuse this, I also ask that you send me whatever instructions and forms might be required for my making formal request for this document under the Freedom of Information law.

Sincerely,

Harold Weisberg

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY
UNITED STATES SECRET SERVICE

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

27 JUL 1977

Mr. Howard Roffman
5885 Edenfield Road
Apartment B29
Jacksonville, Florida 32211

Dear Mr. Roffman:

Reference is made to your letter received July 18, 1977 concerning a decision of Mr. Robert O. Goff, Freedom of Information Act Officer, United States Secret Service, denying you certain information under the Freedom of Information Act. Treasury regulations regarding administrative appeals of initial denials by the United States Secret Service vest the review authority in the Deputy Director of the Secret Service (31 Code of Federal Regulations, Subtitle A, Part 1, Appendix D and 40 Federal Register 49089, dated October 21, 1975.

The records and correspondence pertinent to your appeal have been reviewed. I have determined that the three documents subject of your Freedom of Information Act request should be disclosed to you in their entirety. Please find attached to this letter a copy of those three documents sent to you with portions deleted.

Sincerely,

Lilburn E. Boggs
Deputy Director

Attachments

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AUTHORIZATION AND RELEASE

I, Harold Weisberg, Route 12, Frederick, Md. 21701, have read and am familiar with the requests made of the United States Department of Justice by Howard Roffman concerning my efforts to obtain a copy of the "Memorandum of Transfer" and the government's response to those efforts.

I hereby authorize the Department of Justice to release to Mr. Roffman, and to him only, all records covered by his request without masking or in any way obliterating my name or information about me contained in such records. This is not to be construed as a general release and applies only to Mr. Roffman's request.

Harold Weisberg

7/21/77

Date

AUTHORIZATION AND RELEASE

I, Harold Weisberg, Route 12, Frederick, Maryland 21701, have read and am familiar with the Freedom of Information Act Request made to the National Archives by Howard Roffman in a letter dated June 16, 1977, concerning my efforts to obtain a copy of the "Memorandum of Transfer." I have also read and am familiar with the letter of response from James B. Rhoads dated July 19, 1977.

I hereby grant permission to the National Archives and Records Service to release to Mr. Roffman, and to him only, all records covered by his request without the need to mask or obliterate in any way my name, identity, or information about me. This includes release of my correspondence with the Archives. This authorization and release is not to be construed as a general waiver and it applies only to the request made by Mr. Roffman.

Harold Weisberg

7/25/77

Date