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1/23/93

Dear Dick,

Your explanation of your gross and deliberate violation of the conditions of my Castorr interview, that none of it be used without the consent of both Castorrs, the first words in the transcript, is,

"It simply wasn't ~~possible~~ something that I thought as necessary, given the circumstances of my access to the interview and the deadline pressure I was under with the book." This explains nothing other than you have an exalted self-concept and no ethics at all. There are no conditions that eliminate the stipulation that the agreement of ~~both~~ both of the people I interviewed was necessary for any public use of it.

Moreover, suppose it had been stolen from me? Or that ^Hensterwald had borrowed it and failed to return it?

If as you say you thought being ethical was not necessary for you, you say all that need be said about you.

You also give a false description of it in saying that you got it by "making a photcopy of it along with dozens of other files from the Garrison investigation." This says it is part of the Garrison investigation. That is a lie. No connection of any kind.

You cannot have missed this controlling stipulation in the transcript and you did not in my letter. You just ignore it and try to tell me how important you and your crappy book are - and that licenses you to lack ethics.

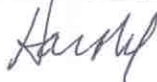
If I did not trust people nobody would have access to my files because I have neither the time nor the physical capability of supervising access. Nor the desire. I have no idea how Bud got that transcript but that is not material. The restriction is, it cannot be missed and King Shit that you are nothing applies to you in your lust to exploit and commercialize a subject about which your major qualifications for writing are an abysmal ignorance of the fact of the crime.

~~E~~rrant government has and has had no greater allies than those of you who exploit and commercialize by untenable, irrelevant or impossible theories you present as fact and as solutions. At your best you confuse the people as government cannot.

Shame on you for not abiding by the normal ethics of writing!

Further shame on you for a non-responsive reply and this disgusting display of self-importance!

Harold Weisberg



He does not respond to the first word in that transcript, that it was not to be used without the approval of both Castorrs.

And it is not a file of the Garrison investigation.

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Mr. Harold Weisberg
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Dear Harold,

I received your letter of 1/11, inquiring about my quote from your interview with Bob Castorr and his wife. Many years ago, probably in 1975, I recall coming across this interview in Bud Fensterwald's CTIA archive room and making a photocopy of part of it along with dozens of other files from the Garrison investigation, etc. Had I seen the interview through your auspices, I would of course have asked your permission to use it. I assumed, given where I found the interview, that it was basically "public record." So it didn't occur to me to mention it this year during our phone conversations, especially as I ended up using such a short item from the interview. I do apologize, Howard, if my doing so has upset you, or in any way jeopardized your relationship with the Castorrs (are they still around?). It simply wasn't something that I thought of as necessary, given the circumstances of my access to the interview and the deadline pressure I was under with the book. I hope this clarifies the matter. You were a great help to me with certain phases of my book, Howard, and I have the utmost respect for your research through the years.

Sincerely,

Dick Russell

