

Dear Val,

5/17/96

In the best of possible worlds authors would have much to do with where their books are on sale and how ~~high~~ they are. In the real world that almost never happens. I could not even get them to restore the subtitle to the cover.

I wrote six times to get a few press copies and copies to give to those who had been of help. I offered to pay for them. Not one letter got any response.

The publisher controls merchandising and the stores decide for themselves what to order. The absence of the subtitle denied the stores knowledge of the subject-matter of the book!

I've read both Groden books only because I had to. There is not a single good thing I can say for either one and both are in all ways bad. He is a subject-matter ignoramus. You can't believe a word he says unless you can confirm it, as few are in a position to do.

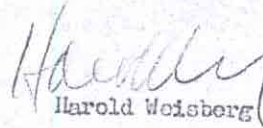
He can't even steal straight and his stealing is incredible, that much of it.

You do not have the time to read all the supposed assassination book, you ought not want to fill your mind with what is not true, and you should avoid wasting your mother's money.

That particular book has not a thing to do with the search for Oswald. It was just a means of getting money.

My spent on him is a waste- and worse.

Sincerely,


Harold Weisberg

5-7-46

Dear Mr. Weisberg,

Since you are the author of NEVER AGAIN I think you should have the say so where your book is sold. I mean at least told how it's doing, if its selling. I wonder if I could order it from a bookstore.

speaking of book's, I was at Waldon Book's and I seen a New book its By Grodon though, its called SEARCHING FOR LEE HARVEY OSWALD! Last time I saw it was \$29.95 , You might be interested. Im going to by it when I get enough money. Its a hard coverd book, has lots of pictures inside. SINCE ITS COMMING FROM GRODON IT'S PROUBLY A LIE! Maybe not. I just thought since you were Should say since you are so intrested in Lee Oswald you might be intrested. Since its comming from Grodon you might not be to in to reading it. When my mom gets paid she's going to by it for me. It just might be a wast of time.

So how are you feeling, I hope well. Charlie and I are hard at work, trying to get my book completed befor I'm out of school. I dont know what I should use for a cover, I mean I dont know what to put on it?

I guess in July for sure if it's ok my mom and I will visit, ok. so take care of you'r self ok.

Friends,
Cole Johnson

PS. The name of Grodon's book is called "THE SEARCH FOR LEE HARVEY OSWALD"
I must not have been paying attention.