

Dear Scott Wilson,

2/13/93

Your letter of the 6th was delayed by insufficient postage.

I wish I had time to answer your questions as you'd like but I do not have the time.

The current status of the Ray case is that the only avenue he has for a trial is new evidence and I do not think he has any. I do not really expect any on the coming HBO trial of James Earl Ray. I've had nothing to do with him formally for some years. Hear from him from time to time and respond. There was a Fox TV special several weeks ago I was on and I'm to be taped this week for an Unsolved Mysteries for airing about the time of the assassination anniversary.

What Humes, Boswell, Finck and JAMA did is disgraceful. While I do not know what motivated them I suspect making themselves look better when they knew what JAMA would do is at least part of it. The editor is a friend of theirs from their military days together.

I think the Stone movie was bad because he said it was not fiction and because as non-fiction it is a lie. He did turn people on but in doing that he misinformed and misled them and that is not good in any way.

What you may have regarded as fact in the movie wasn't for the most part. The Garrison book is not factual and the Marrs book is a disgrace and a travesty. Few people in the field, if any, know less about the fact of the assassination than Marrs. He can't even get the untenable theories straight and that is his field.

I appreciate the kind things you said in your letter.

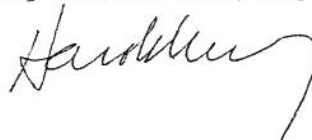
I take it all the clippings are from Newsday. Humes et al are wrong and lied. Ricky White is a faker and his claim is a fraud. The CIA did not release its Oswald file. Far from it. It gave that Committee records most of which originated outside the CIA and were not on Oswald, I think only 15 records. Very few. It shows the contempt in which the CIA holds the Congress, what the Congress will accept in silence, and the incompetence of most of the reporting. Besides which there was nothing new in those few records.

I do not believe Crenshaw's story and most of it comes from one of the Dallas conspiracy theorists who adopts every theory even when they contradict each other. But he is a nice guy.

I'm familiar with what Riebe and Custer say and have no reason to believe that the film was doctored. As Livingstone has yet to tell me, why would anyone fake pictures that destroy the purpose of the faking? Those pictures do destroy the Report. It makes no sense to me that they would be faked.

As a generality, if you see a theory presented as a solution, ~~disregard~~ disregard it. The crime itself was never officially investigated so there are no leads to follow and in addition those advancing the theories are not familiar with the established official fact. They are would-be Perry Masons. Some of them really believe what they say. I don't.

Best wishes,



2/5/93

Dear Mr. Weisberg,

Enclosed is my check for \$13.00. Please send me your book, Frame-Up: The Martin Luther King / James Earl Ray case. I would like to know the current status of Mr. Ray's case. Is he still trying to get a trial and do you have anything to do with his case anymore? I feel that his imprisonment is a travesty because there has never been a trial to prove his guilt or innocence.

I am also sending you various newspaper articles on the JFK assassination. If it is possible I would appreciate your opinions on these articles. Please keep these articles as I have other copies. I have some further questions and if you would answer them I would be very grateful.

In one of the articles I'm sending you, Humes and Boswell stand by the autopsy and their findings. If they are lying, what do you think their motives are? Why wouldn't they tell the truth nearly 30 years later? I don't know what to make of the contentions. This autopsy was one of the worst in modern civilization yet they talk as if everything was

done correctly, according to standard medical procedure

I would also like to know your opinion of the book, JFK: Conspiracy of Silence by Dr. Charles Gremshaw.

I'd also like to ask you about the impending release of some of the files. Have any files been released yet? There have been media reports that some files are to be released soon but I have heard nothing since and I'm wondering what you

Many know about this. Without trying to pry into your personal business, I have wondered whether you ever feared for your life while you were writing and researching in the 1960's and 1970's because as we know many people that were connected to the JFK case died under murky circumstances. I was also wondering whether there was any monetary cost that you had to pay the archives every time you ~~used~~ ^{sued} them or even time they sent you files or documents. I know that you have a lot of files and I was very curious as to how it was possible over that years for you to acquire them.

Lastly was your opinion of Oliver Stone's movie good or bad? Was it good in that it educated people who before were unaware or disinterested? Was it

bad due to the fact that it mixed fact with fiction to achieve it's aims? Is it true that you advised or counseled Stone at the outset of the making of this movie?

Also do you plan on writing any more books on the JFK assassination? Maybe a book that details all the current affairs or theories that you have knowledge on.

In closing, I'd like to tell you that I consider you to be a true patriot who has devoted his life to trying to get the truth out to the American public. I hope you don't consider my questions noisy or bothersome, I am just fascinated by your writing and ~~research~~ researching and what kind of life that you might have had to lead in order to achieve all that you name.

Many thanks,

Seth Wilson