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Dear George,

You asked me to let you know when DJ/FBI moved for a judgment against Jim because I had not paid the judgment Smith assessed against me in Cas 78-0322-0420 combined. The first page is enclosed.

They knew, of course, that I'd appeal. Notice of it is also enclosed.

The situation for the lawyer is actually much worse than I indicated to you. I've just learned of this and when I receive it will send you a copy.

Jim is also being whipsawed because there are recent decisions of the D.C. court of appeals that lifted the licenses of lawyers for doing what DJ/FBI ask Smith to order Jim to do, in effect.

I'm not entirely clear on the details. What was involved was lawyers either refusing to do what their clients wanted or leaning on the clients to do what the clients did not want to do. I also do not know the details of the lifting of the licenses - whether this was temporary or not.

In short, no matter what the lawyer is going to be hurt.

Department of Justice?

Ugh.

Best wishes,