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Dear Bob,

When I got your "dividend" issue I was a bit surprised to note that you omitted my name and thus hid from your readers who it was who said, to use your word, not mine, that Ricky White is a liar. I was also surprised that you went out on a partly-sawed limb without speaking to me first. I was also quite amused, as I think you will not be capable of understanding. But I also did not write you.

I've just heard what prompts me to write you because I fear you may face some problems if what I heard is correct.

First I want to be as explicit as is possible: Ricky White's story is false, in each and every significant point. Believe me or not, this is true. The few coincidences that did exist are entirely without any meaning.

I heard that you are part of the Dallas assassination information center and a financial supporter of it.

Now if you can just for a moment put behind you the blind faith in those who did deceive and mislead you, and who could and should have done the checking they did not do before doing anything else, please try to think about what those Midland, Texas oil men who gave Ricky \$100,000 and a salary for a 25% interest in the story he sells are going to do when they learn they have been defrauded? They can't get anything from Ricky so where will they turn? All they can try is to get it from his active supporters, those who for one thing arranged his press conference - this center and its backers.

With even greater stupidity the center demanded an official investigation. Suppose as I think it more than possible, that turns into an investigation of fraud or attempted fraud? They won't have much work to do to establish that Rickey's story is a complete fabrication. For which he did accept a not inconsiderable amount of money.

I have no way of knowing what those idiots of the center tell you or others, if they tell you anything, so I tell you that, having no firstperson knowledge, I've been told that the man Rickey says was his father's fellow CIA contract agent and a fellow assassin or told him his father was an assassin, has from his outrage hired a lawyer because he says it is all untrue. (Has any of you self-conceived geniuses ever asked yourselves what in the world a Roscoe White could have done that would interest the CIA and lead it to contract with them for anything at all? What stupidity!)

Did they tell you that they hadn't even checked the phone book to learn whether or not Rickey lied about living across the street from supposed great pal J.D. Tippit? I did and this is false. The Whites then lived on Morocco Street. Did they tell you that they also were stupid enough, as I learned later, to include in the press kit the police department record reflecting precisely what the phone book did, that they did not live opposite the Tippits. Not then and not for years and, obviously, not until long after J.D. was dead and buried.

I'm not going to take time for the much more that exists because I consider this more than enough, unless you are utterly irrational on this, to serve my purpose in writing you. That is to inform you of the possibility, no matter how slight it might be, that this monstrous thing can kick back on those with any involvement. and I offer unsolicited advice, as a friend should, not to do anything else to support that lying wretch so that you can show that once informed you did nothing else.

If your people in Dallas did not tell you that what Inside Edition got by satellite was much more than was aired, which is the fact, they should have because that would indicate that there is much more proving Rickey is a fake. Best wishes, Harold Weisberg

by [signature]