

Dear Jim (and Kevin),

8/19/90

Your instincts, including to protect Bud from Bud, were good by you (pl) were <sup>blinded</sup> ~~blinded~~ by supposed coincidences that were no more and had no real relevance and to a large degree did not even exist.

That ~~is~~ Roscoe White's wife worked for a short period of time for Jack Ruby really has no meaning at all. It is only a coincidence and the world is full of them.

It is not a coincidence that the Whites and J.D. Tippit lived across the street from each other. ~~It~~ is a lie and any simple checking of the phone book would have disclosed this. First ~~it~~ did that and then I looked, when it was sent to me, at what was in the center's press kit. White's own police-department record says he lived on Morocco St. (Not sent to me by the center.)

It is not a coincidence that White and Oswald served in the Marines together, on occasion magnified into having been close friends then. It is another lie, as White's own Marines records disclose. It is a coincidence that they went to Japan on the Bexar (pronounced, I'm told, "bear") on the same voyage but they did not "serve" together, had different specialties and assignments. There is such density of people on troop ships there is no reason to assume that any two on any ship at the same time ever talked to each other.

Almost all of what Inside Edition put on the satellite was edited out and on what was not used the Whites said they had not read a single assassination book. That is either a lie or the center people tried to fortify them because without any reasonable question "Saul" as an assassin and in the Courts building comes uniquely from Hugh McDonald, protege of our friend Bud, and the allegedly planned escape from the Red Bird Airport, again comes from a Bud buddy, Richard Popkin, quoting the disinformationist Jones Harris. *Both are fiction.*

Ricky White's version of the Tippit killing alone was more than enough to leave it without question that he is a fake. And if the Dallas center and Bud did not know that before he uttered it at the press conference they arranged for him they were stupid and incompetent and, of course, if they did, they were dishonest.

So what is left? Not that there isn't more I could go into from what I've learned since the show we did together. Like his two different version of how the alleged father's diary allegedly disappeared. Both can't be true and in fact neither one can be. If there was one Ricky made it up or made up what he now attributes to it.

It may interest you to know that more people spoke to and wrote to me about this very brief bit on Inside Edition than I can recall from any TV appearance in the past. It doesn't make sense but it is a fact.

O'Reilly, whose show it is, was a fan of Michael Evica's when he was on a Hartford TV station. Does not say much for his judgement or critical faculties.

I suggest that you both ponder whether an anxiety to ~~believe~~ <sup>solve</sup> the crime influenced your (plural) judgement about supposed coincidences.

If you've not heard it a group of Midland oilmen, according to the Dallas Morning News, grubstaked Wicky and his wife with \$100,000 and a salary in return for their getting 25% of anything he makes. This means he has to make a half-million before they can hope to break even. Reminds me of Garrison's group, called Truth and Consequences. Those greedy oilmen are about to learn the truth and have already paid the consequences. There is some suspicion in Dallas that some of that \$100,000 went to Bud's Dallas center. I was sent copies of some of the local stories on that press conference and I did see Unhappy Bud, from his face, in the background of some TV coverage of it.

Best,

*W.D. White*