

I very much appreciate your interest in the commitment we are making. Of course there'll be no quick and easy results. Your patience, your resolution, and your courage will be tested.

Since in this correspondence I'm asking for some information about you, it's only fair that I acquaint you briefly with my own background. I am 33, a native of Portsmouth, Va., a graduate of Villanova University with 30 hours of graduate work in English at the University of Houston, a U. S. Navy officer for seven years (honorable discharge in August, 1967), married, father of three. My wife teaches in the Virginia Beach school system. I was active in the school boycott/civil rights movement in Houston in 1965, and during the summer of that year initiated a tutorial program in English and mathematics for 70 underprivileged children. I'm poetry editor of a small literary quarterly published in Houston, Lullabies, which has devoted considerable space to the assassination question. For the past three months--for one hour daily Monday through Friday--I have been picketing the Federal Building/Main Post Office in Norfolk on the issue of the Warren Report and its implications present and future--and particularly in this critical election year. I intend to continue to picket--alone or, hopefully, with others--until the November elections at the very least.

But to get on: there are many ways you can help. If you are indeed firmly committed to a determination of the truth in this question. Some of the possibilities are listed on the attached sheet, along with a few basic questions concerning previous experience in political and/or protest activities, age, address, telephone number, etc. This brief questionnaire is intended to help us organize our efforts in the most efficient way. Please fill it out and return it immediately. All such information will be maintained in confidence, and will be employed only toward the open and legitimate ends of this organization.

Other material is enclosed which will be of interest. One item is a fairly current bibliography of official and critical material relative to the assassination. Another is a list of 50 questions which may reasonably be raised in attacking the findings of the Warren Commission, which strike directly or implicitly at the very foundations of the single-assassin, no-conspiracy notion, which impugns the methodology of the Commission.

I'll contact you again shortly after receipt of your questionnaire. Small meetings will then be set up, probably on the basis of your experience or occupation or area of special interest. Basic plans will be discussed. Then the real work begins.

In the meantime, refresh yourself in all facets of the assassination: the investigation, the critics, the Garrison probe. Get down your

own talking points, your own ideas; we will need them.

Most important: talk to your friends about what we are doing. We press upon them the urgency of this--for all of us, and for our children.

Until we can meet and work together, I can only ask for your trust and good faith. By setting out in this spirit we may in the long term be able to redeem these qualities--now so insidiously debased--in American public life.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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Age \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (home) \_\_\_\_\_

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Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Relevant organized political/protest experience \_\_\_\_\_

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Check below the areas in which you would be willing to participate  
(adding below the choices any amplifying information as to preference,  
special capability or facility (e.g., duplicating machines) that might  
be of value):

- \_\_\_\_\_ organized picketing
- \_\_\_\_\_ canvassing for petitions and/or referenda
- \_\_\_\_\_ publicity (liaison with the press, etc.)
- \_\_\_\_\_ general administration (correspondence, membership,  
records, etc.)
- \_\_\_\_\_ financial administration
- \_\_\_\_\_ soliciting for financial support\*
- \_\_\_\_\_ personal financial support\*
- \_\_\_\_\_ prefer to wait for further information or developments  
before making a choice

\*(these activities presuppose establishment of legal and  
proper safeguards: bookkeeping, checking acc't, etc.)

Remarks:

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Please indicate here the days and hours when you would most regularly  
have free time to devote to the activities noted above:

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Add any comments you may have on the back of this sheet.  
Then return it without delay to:

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