

Dear Phil,

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So good to hear from you!

I'm limited by an apparently severe phlebitis long undetected because the symptoms apparently were atypical. Then misread as mild case, with inadequate medication. Since then I've been hospitalized, am out, feel fine except for the limitation and the subconscious Democlean effect and work one way or another most of every day. I use my rest periods of legs raised to wrap and mail, books. (Newest, hottest and most definitive just out was actually printed while I was in the hospital and when I got out I had copies, got out a miling of the enclosed flyer, and have been doing well initially. As I get more enegery I'll seek more radio by-phone broadcasts, which is now I sell most of them, by their news content.)

Meanwhile, I continue to fight the corruption in the government and bring to light desp te handicaps most of what comes out. Impossible to prevenet ripoffs. I've established principles of law, helped establish others and withall have been the succoeffaul Ray investigator, tha case now being before the 6th circuit court of appeals.

It was possible to bring this new book out because of increased interest in the old ones beginning two years ago. I squirrelled away every penny so I could reprint them and then decided to bring this new one out instead, to run the risk that there might not be enough income from it to reprint those about out. I still didn't have enough but I got that from a couple of commissions from publishers wanting reading on the subject and when they were considering fake books. "Appointment in Dallas" is a fraud. I killed it twice.

But I do it haphazardly, continuing to make the record I set out to make and for the most part with complete accuracy and always with integrity, not easy in the field dominated by crooks like those on whom you sent the clip. The one on Rather is particularly valuable. Their shows are the most obscene yet. I may try to take them to court on a number of charges if I can get counsel. The ignored me on the JFK case, where I've done most of the work. I agreed to be on the King part only to have to decline when they confronted me with a conflict of interest. NOBODY ever refuses free coast-to-coast TV time so they hate me more, if less than they yet will. I've already started exposing them in court, with no public attention to it.

Watergate changed the attitude not of the people but of those of power. Thus there is more interest. The problem, close to impossible to date, is to keep it within reason, responsible. One of the hearings that attracted attention was responsible. It also was all my entirely uncredited work, coming from files I gave that committee and other work I alone did (except for the young lawyer who helped). When they asked him to testify and read his statement which was a truth account they decided not to have him testify because he would have made a record of the real origin of that work. This is the politics today of the so-called best of them.

However, while I remain little know I'm accomplishing much of what I set out to do. There is gratification in this. The most recent is Belin. It is I who forced him, if still dishonestly, to come out as he did a week ago for a new Congressional investigation. We had a confrontation at Vandebilt after I held a press conference your papers apparently suppressed from the good wire-service stories. (All major papers suppressed.) In announcing Post Mortem I said it charged and proved perjury against certain witnesses and subornation against certain counsel. Five days later I spent 45 minutes to his face laying out the subornation case against Belin and in the question period clobbered him with the "new evidence" he and others pretended to want and avoided. He had little choice. But as of the Wednesday before his statement, when my speech closed with an appeal to him to join me in demanding a Cong. investigation, he still refused. Or, I'm doing OK for a sick man. Who types worse because he has to keep a leg up...It would be nice to sit and tlak again but the only way I can travel is when I have a speech. I do have a lecture bureau now. New. Thnaks much for what you said. Best to you both,

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Dear Hal,

The enclosed clips are of no particular interest so far as information is concerned, but they do indicate, I think, something of the depth of the current interest in the investigation of the murder of JFK: if Omaha is interested (the columnist Pitron is an Omaha resident, writing this week from NYC), surely then national interest is very high indeed. I was unable to attend the Symposium at the University here (see other clip) but it apparently was well attended. Omaha is interested, it seems. In any case, much of what you've said and written in the past continues to be proven by the various inquiries, investigations, etc. A gross and profoundly sad tale, as you of course well know. But is there any chance, now, this late, of ever getting to the bottom of it? Might there still be people free who put their hand to this deed? Well, these are questions that everyone is asking now, I suppose. But I want to say again to you that I have ever been impressed with your own personal integrity and, although I'm sure I was never any great help to your researches, I

was glad I could try to help. And I am proud to call Harold Weisberg my friend. I do hope, too, that someday we will be able to see each other again - just to relax and talk a bit. It's been a very long time since I've had any direct news of you (the last reference I had of any kind was a news story re: the loss of your lawsuit regarding access to the autopsy records) and would greatly appreciate at least ~~at~~ a note reassuring me that you are well. Please?

— Warmest personal regards —

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