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Dear Harold -

Sorry it's taken me a while to get back to you, but I've been dealing with some difficult situations. My writing partner and I have decided to split up and this has made my life rather hectic. He informed me in late February. I think it's largely financial in nature as he has four kids and an expensive mortgage, but it took me by surprise. He had been thinking about it for nearly a year and never gave me a hint. But I could tell something was wrong and I asked him what was up. That's when he told me. I thought this was the coward's way out, letting me bring the subject matter up. So, it hasn't been as amicable as I'd like. The additional problem is that all of our work has been written together, so I had to scramble to write something so I'd have a sample to be hired in the upcoming television season. I'm happy with how it turned out, but it was difficult getting used to working without someone to bounce ideas off.

So, I'm sending you some assorted articles over the past few months. As to the clipping of the NBC mini-series on Posner, I don't remember it. But I can tell you that nothing like that has been aired nor for that matter is it being produced. Many times they buy the rights to something, put the announcement in the trades and nothing ever comes of it. If I hear anything more, I'll let you know.

I look forward to CASE OPEN. I hope it is distributed better than the excerpts from The WHITEWASH series. I thank you for the complimentary copy, but I also have checked the bookstores out of curiosity and not seen it. So, let me know when it's out so I can check for it or order it. As to talk shows, I don't have any contacts in that area. But I recommend going with radio talk shows rather than the crap on TV. Out here there's a British chap named Michael Jackson on KABC Talk Radio who does a mid-morning show. You'd be good on that. I hope Carroll & Graf have publicity people who can book you onto shows by phone. It would certainly help sell the book.

Other than that, all is well. The aftershocks continue, but I plan to start making some repairs in the next few weeks. Fortunately, I was not hit hard by the earthquake. Hope all is well with you. Good luck on the book. Let me know when it will be out.

Best,

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Dear Robert,

Your unpleasant experience with your departing writing partner is coming to be more and more the way, refusal to communicate. I sent a lengthy article to the publisher a long time ago and I've not even gotten acknowledgement let alone an expression of interest in trying to place it. Apropos of one of the clippings you sent, what did not appear around here, it is titled, "Senator Russell Dissents." I've added reference to that story on the disclosed LBJ tapes to that file. I've not been told that the copies <sup>of mine</sup> I asked be sent to those who might write reviews or arrange talk-show appearances were ~~sent~~ <sup>not</sup> sent when my copies came at the risk of wasting them I had to start sending them myself. If you do not have a copy by the time you get this let me know and I'll send you one. Although the book was butchered, <sup>mistakes</sup> ~~mistakes~~ caught not made, etc., the reactions I've gotten, about a dozen by mail and phone, are all good. Or much better than that.

What remains is that powerful.

I suppose distribution could be much better if there were any advertising or promotion. I've not been able to get copies of any notices of the publication of either of these two to include with responses to inquiries about what I published! I've asked a half-dozen times, too, of different people.

No effort has been made to book me by phone. You mention the Englishman, Michael Jackson. He was on the same station when I was a mere lad in my 50s and he aired me then by phone several times. Would you mind giving his producer a call? You might mention that I'm 81 and still at it. And that in one of my lawsuits, something C & G had and has yet to use other than on the book, in one of my dozen FOIA lawsuits the FBI told that federal court that I know more about the JFK assassination than anyone working for it!

How about that guy who monitors the pre-show satellite on the TV talk shows? Could he be interested? But I do have to try to be abed by 3 p.m. your time. I began before 1 this a.m. and it is now only 6. This is the last of the letters to answer.

Hope you wind up with a good writing companion.

Thanks and bes,

*Robert*