

August 9, 1967

Mr. Leon Brooks  
Vice President and General Counsel  
Columbia Broadcasting System  
51 East 42nd Street  
New York, New York

Dear Mr. Brooks:

With further reference to my unanswered letters to you of July 11 and August 4, I failed to make clear the nature of my request for adequate time for response to your programs on the Warren Commission. I initially requested "fairness doctrine" time with the beginning of the TV shows. Once you made the same incorrect, misleading, carefully selected and angled, incomplete and just plain false partisan presentation on CBS radio, again in pretended impartiality, I intended that to be included also. The purpose of this letter is to make this explicit.

In order to restrict for radio what was culled out for radio and for my own information and use (with credit), I respectfully request a copy of the radio script.

Prior to the airing of the radio version, I had been requested by several CBS stations to present the other side, a proper attitude I regret the network did not share. One asked me if I would appear face to face with Mr. Midgley. To this also I agreed. I was in New York at that time and left the phone numbers at which CBS could reach me. I received no such call.

I tell you this for several reasons. It reflects the belief of stations carrying your shows that they were not impartial or straight fact. None of these stations has gone through with their own concept, a program giving the other side. I would like an assurance from CBS that this withdrawal of freely offered time for response was not withdrawn at CBS' suggestion.

Yours truly,

Harold Weisberg

August 4, 1967

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Dear Mr. Brooks:

You have not replied to my letter of July 11. Meanwhile, the damage done me by the broadcasts in question mounts. I renew my demand for adequate time under the "fairness doctrine".

It is now more than a month since I wrote Mr. Midgley. I await your and his responses.

Sincerely,

Harold Weisberg