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Dear Perry,

Don't jump to the conclusion that I can prove it is someone acting for Henry Haile who searched my motel room. Or that my room was bugged. One room was entered. There is no doubt of this. All the indications are that another was bugged, but I have no proof.

I also don't think that a State would hoke up a "national security" fiction as an excuse for electronic eavesdropping. That is within federal responsibility. What is more likely is that the police might be asked to do it, or that private experts who are owed a favor of would be paid one would be used. These kinds of cozy deals are traditional.

There is only one alternative that comes to mind to the belief that Henry knows he has and can depend upon protection: he is not completely rational. He pulls dirty stuff even when it is not necessary, serves no apparent purpose. Or, it is his nature. From my observation he lacks the control you'd expect a man whose conduct is Henry's. (But such if not all he courtroom pacing is an act.)

There is another possibility, one that can explain the silence you've met from his boss, who also made no response to my charges. Henry has something on others.

I have no personal knowledge either way. I'm trying to make suggestions that might help you think. He may aspire to become Tennessee's Percy Foreman. There may be other reasons not immediately apparent.

It seems to me that unless he had some silly purpose in mind <sup>many of</sup> his excesses of which I know had no real purpose. Unless he knows McKee well enough to believe he could poison McKee's mind. This can even be the way he gets his kicks. But what is without doubt is that he ran risks, is as unscrupulous as a man can be and keeps it up. This is not normal. I'm not an expert but I believe it crosses that thin line.

Don't be afraid of being considered paranoid. If you are your emasculate yourself. However, I would urge great caution in what you say and more in what you file. Don't make one little mistake or a minor exaggeration that with the powers being as unequal as they are can be ruinous.

I am far behind in my mail and all other work. It is possible I have something from you I have not yet read. I am reminded of this by not remembering ~~that~~ if you are also suing the State, whose agent Henry was.

You may know him better than I do. However, I offer the opinion that for all his serious misconduct, whatever causes it, he is a bright guy. He is able. Don't be deceived by his conduct.

Good luck,

Harold Weisberg

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