

Dear Henry,

12/20/79

This time our apologies crossed in the other direction. Post Mortem and the explanation- it was mailed before your check came - should have reached you.

Thanks but I have the CBS transcripts. Disgusting. It may get more disgusting. I wish I knew a lawyer....Those I know are not expert in the field and are too busy. I think I'm in a position to do what others cannot.

I'd appreciate the Aquarian piece much. And anything else you see on Anson as well as McDonald. These are different kinds of ripoffs, both aimed at the national mind, from ordinary people to the Government. I'm not ready to go public but I've asked DJ for a fraud investigation on McDonald and associates. I've done much work on this.

It may yet dawn on you that my quests are for truth and integrity.

My recovery from the phlebitis is slow. So, because of all the other things I must do, if you send me something that does not require acknowledgement I'll probably not acknowledge. In addition to having three suits current, others on the way and my work in the King/Ray case, I am our entire packaging dept. I do this during rest periods, when I have to keep both legs raised. Mostly only the left, but I don't recommend straddling a typewriter table, which is the way I have to write, with at least one leg horizontal.

Recently a lecture bureau approached me. I'm under contract. If you can think of a way of getting <sup>me</sup> horn-to-horn with one of the phoney liberal Commission counsel, and I have Slawson in particular in mind, I'd love it. If I had to go on a stretcher. Conservative Belin's self-serving vhnage of heart is something I brought about. We tangled at Vandebilt three days earlier. He had begun to read Post Mortem before then.

A debate at UCLA, particularly in the law school, where Slawson is, would be ideal if you know students there who can arrange/sponsor.

I can't go into McDonald and I'd like to know who wrote that piece because I've told nobody for any use. But it is true. I have a pre-1972 and contradictory version of "his" book. He is said to have a backer, a richie from Connecticut named Geller. Does this suggest anything to you? The money spent on this book is enormous for an original paperback even if it is to be followed by three novels.

One of his villains is a dead and defenseless fine conservative gentleman, Herman Kimsey. Kimsey is not named in the earlier versions.

Please keep everything on McDonald to yourself. When I do something, if I can, I'd prefer that there be no advance indications.

Have a good holiday, year,

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SUBJECT \_\_\_\_\_

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MESSAGE

DATE December 23 19 75

Dear Mr. Weisberg:

May you have a happy Christmas and peace in the New Year. Hope your recovery from phlebitis is progressing well.

Saw a nice write up about your work in the Washington Post recently. Also, a paper called Aquarian quotes you as being critical of Hugh McDonald's book. The paper says you said that McDonald has been telling his story long before 1972, the date McDonald alleges his interview with the "assassin" took place. I'll send you a copy of the clipping, if you don't have it.

SIGNED \_\_\_\_\_

REPLY

DATE \_\_\_\_\_ 19 \_\_\_\_\_

Did my order for a copy of POST MORTEM ever reach you? I sent the check and a mailing label on November 28th. I suspect it's the crush of holiday parcels that's delaying the book getting here. If it doesn't turn up in early January, I'll be back in touch with you and perhaps you can have the post~~al~~ office run a tracer, since you were going to send it by insured mail.

Did you see the CBS two part program on the assassination? I've got a copy of the transcript and can send it to you if you're interested.

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Regards, 

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