

Dear Jim,

5/18/74

~~Basically~~ I have read the memo on points and authorities in 2502-73 and thing it is very good. As a matter of law, logic, fact and anything else relevant.

The real problem is that the judge had made his mind up in advance, evidence or no evidence, and God damned if he was going to be limited by the law in deciding what he wanted to decide.

What we confront is a combination of prejudice and dishonesty. I don't think they have law-school courses on what to do in such cases.

Technically, the avenue seems to be appeal, other than what we discussed. As I said when you were here, I leave it up to you.

I have read the concluding paragraph of Jimmy Ray's 5/8/74 to Bud other than you. To save you looking it up I repeat it:

"...I've been wondering lately what would happen in someone was cornered and the State offered him immunity, it doesn't take any deep ~~thinking~~ thinker to what options that would leave me."

You take this to be a reference to his being offered a deal, and I presume in the light of the threat.

I suggest you think this through again as though he had hadded "else" after "someone," or "what would happen if someone else were commared..."

Nor do I think he considers himself any more "cornered" now that he did when he turned fown the offer.

Best,