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Dear Henry,

Your March 10 assurance that Larry Flynt is even crazier than I'd thought in giving you that Gemstone File nonsense coincides with the reassurance that the spooks are just as crazy on the other side. Perhaps this story will amuse you.

The FBI really is climbing ~~walls~~ walls over me. Much as they stonewall and much as they get away with some of it they have to give me more than they want to and they can't live with it. The agents working on this - and I know of a team of six lawyers in the DJ trial division working on my many FOIA cases - can't help themselves and they blab. Some of it gets back to me.

Now they appear to have extended their untoward attentions to my lawyer. He is a fine young man whose father is dean of a law school, author of legal texts and one of the supporters of Webster, now FBI director, for his seat on the appeals court. My lawyer also works incredible hours. He is in practise so sole that he does not have a typist or a file clerk. Solely sole. Normally he works until 3 a.m. and then sleeps soundly. Only the phone wakes him.

While his brother-in-law is taking advanced and specialized education his sister-in-law and their children is living with Jim and his wife. To give Jim's wife, who is a doctor, a little more sleep the sister-in-law gets up first and starts taking care of the three little girls they have between them and to look after the house, a town house that used to belong to one of J. Edgar Hoover's secretaries.

Yesterday the sister-in-law got up and saw some trash she had forgotten to put out the night before. They apparently had gone over the place thoroughly because without the addition they had put out five big plastic trash bags of refuse. Well, yesterday morning it at first appeared that the trash men had come extraordinarily early because all five bags were gone.

But then when the family was all up and active they found that in fact the trash men had not come. None of the trash of any of their neighbors had been collected.

It is well known to the government that Jim is able to concentrate more in his office at his home and when he is briefing cases prefers to work there rather than in his office. All his late-night work is in his office in his home. Right now he has four cases on appeal, not counting the insane one the FBI filed yesterday. (That one is to recover the 60,000 pages they gave me in January!)

What could anyone find in his trash? Only discarded drafts. Why go for them when he files them in court anyway? There is nothing in his trash or mine, if I had any (I use the fireplace because trash collection out in the country is so costly), that could embarrass either of us.

Maybe it is the CIA. not the FBI. I have them charged in one case with defrauding me and in another with defrauding the court with false affidavits - and I have tight proofs. And they know of more to come, over what they have done by combining with Epstein in his newest disinformation, and by denying me those records for many years.

Whatever explains it, is it not as crazy as Flynt and those on his team?

Groden is sincere but not less than "a little over enthusiastic." His technical work was done for me and I supervised it. It is honest and dependable. Beware his interpretations of it, however. He is off on an unrecognized egg-trip. These people, particularly Lane, are using him to be able to use his work.

Little appears in the papers hereabouts on the House assassins committee. I do not know what Dallas witnesses they have subpoenaed. They have had to switch to totally secret operations because all they had done was nutty and I showed the papers how it was nutty. They could not stand that kind of publicity.

But do I have to tell you that they should have investigated the corpus delicti long before now?

I've heard of a story in a Dallas paper quoting the radiologist as saying he knows the back of JFK's head was blown off. If this is what he said he is wrong, very wrong.

They developed a belated interest in the medical evidence, after all else kicked back on them. They then bought several copies of my book Post Mortem and after that gathered a panel of so-called experts, who then proceeded to examine what they regarded as the medical evidence in a vacuum, ^{detached} detached from all other evidence. They are also following up on my work with the spectrographic and neutron-activation analyses. They have not asked me for the records I obtained.

In my continuing pursuit for this basic evidence I have something new on the "missed" shot. It is buried in those 60,000 pages I have not had time to read. I discovered this by accident. We will be giving it to the court. I'm not going public with it before then.

It is not new that the curbstone where it hit was patched while the FBI was pretending it did not exist. I have proven this in court. What is new is that the FBI knew this and did not tell the Warren Commission.

Coinciding with this the one spectrographic plate the FBI cannot find-it says - is that of the curbstone. Some coincidence, huh?

I share your concern about the consequences of all the irresponsible reporting, from the press to the subsidized books. (A half million was put up for what Epstein has done.) I spend much of my time trying to prevent and undo this. Between the extremes, what Flynt symbolizes and what officialdom leaks there is no home for truth and fact.

But if I did not believe we'll find that home I'd not continue working as I am.

Thanks and best wishes,

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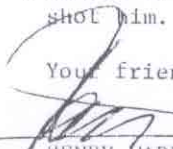
Dear Harold:

There is no question that Flynt gave me the Gemstone file and although I did not read it in front of him, *he* said the only reason that he could not go further in that file was that he didn't have the subpoena power that I had and I could subpoena those that were suspicious of having a part in the killing in the assassination.

I was impressed by Robert Groden, although he possibly was a little over enthusiastic. I see by the morning papers the House of Investigation committee had subpoenaed people from Dallas, but so far as I can tell none of those subpoenaed know anything about it. One of them was a cafe owner where Ruby ate two days before the assassination and I am sure that is all he knows about the matter. Ruby ate there frequently.

I hope to get up in that part of the country some time and read what you have together, although I am afraid there has been so much irresponsible reporting both by newspapers and books that should some strong evidence come to light concerning a collaborator or a person that participated in the conspiracy it would be difficult to try him. In fact, if somebody confessed to being a part of it, I think his story would have to be checked out carefully. As I told you, I received a number of letters that Ruby was not guilty that they were the one who shot him. These had to be some kind of nuts. Good luck.

Your friend,


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