

Dear Jeff,

6/7/80

Enclosed is a memo to SAC Hitt from one of the FBI SAs who was undercover at Garner's roominghouse, Donald P. Burgess. It is dated 4/17/68, which is after other records reflect that Burgess was withdrawn from his undercover assignment. This makes it hard to believe because nobody in his right mind would take a chance on Garner's living been so drunk he might not recognize Burgess as his recent roomer.

Also provocative is it that the "well-known wealthy segregationist lawyer" was getting mail at the rundown flophouse to which someone must have directed Ray.

If there was a checkout of the Chattanooga return address, 1520 Fulmough, I do not recall seeing it.

The memo is from the Atlanta MURKIN "main file," as it is called.

From a dependable source I have the warning that some of those who do not love me plan to do a number on me. I was not led to believe bombing with bombs. More likely some p.r. flackery, as they adeptly plant it.

While there has always been a fairly numerous Hate Hal club at DJ and FBI, it appears that the vigor of what I've been doing, my persistence when they planned for me to quit and probably a couple of recent decisions appear to have prompted some planning. Save for the fact that it is relatively high-level and involves others than the types with whom I usually deal I have few specifics. When the time comes I hope I will not lack friends.

Just this week, without any attention of which I know, I won a precedent FOIA/Copyright case: copyrighted material can be within FOIA and is agency records for FOIA. In the suit for the JFK scientific tests, the oldest of all FOIA cases and the one over which the investigatory files exemption was toughened in 1974, the reward seems to have embarrassed the fink district judge. I suppose they'll ask for an en banc rehearing or go up on cert to stonewall longer. They've undoubtedly wasted a quarter of a million or more on that case.

So they are unhappy. And can be hurt now.

Jim has been rushing to file motions for partial summary judgement to get some of the many outstanding issues resolved so he's had no time for checking. However, the Assistant U.S. Attorney also found the records missing and asked him about it. Odd. (These are those you found missing.)

No word yet on that biographical ~~summary~~ record I believe may be of the CIA's highly-placed anti-King man of whom you wrote.

Best wishes,