

9/11/96

Dear Gerry,

Thanks for your 8/9/.

You will not be overwhelmed and as soon as you realize that it will all fall into place better.

I think you are wise to plan to use more than can be published for several reasons. One is that the cutting would not be difficult as adding would be.

I made a serious mistake to have the Case Book ms xeroxed before I read and corrected my copy. All sorts of pointless liberties were taken and I am sure the retyping was not by a professional typist.

I'm on page 525 in the reading and correcting.

I'll have this copy with corrections that can be consulted if necessary but it would have been better if this had been the copy that was duplicated.

Does Dennis have the one you have?

If so I've an extra one. I had three xeroxed. One is for Bill and one for Dave.

Right here we were lucky with all the hurricanes this year. Fran did much damage close to us, both sides, but nothing to us. Not even a strong wind. We did have floods, as you've probably seen on TV, but not right here. Around us only.

Virginia got it worst in this area. Terrible there.

And the poor C & O canal got hurt badly again.

Best,

Harold

Dear Harold,

9/9/96

Thanks for your long letter of 8/31 and suggestions about how to approach this book project. Working at it a piece at a time is a good idea and feasible. Also, I believe both Dennis and I are committed to documenting the argument as thoroughly as possible, even if that might mean making it less attractive to a prospective publisher.

Thanks for that piece from the Wash. Post. It is amazing how he managed to get almost every factual assertion wrong in the few paragraphs he devoted to LHO and the assassination. It seems that believing in LHO as the lone assassin is becoming regarded as the sensible, common sense position, especially in the wake of Stone's "JFK" and Posner's response in Case Closed. Speaking of Posner, I saw his book on Perot reviewed a few weeks ago in the New York Times. It was favorable, as you might have guessed. I believe Random House is the publisher.

Regarding Case Open (or Hoax), I checked my copy and it is 769 pp. , so I must have it substantially complete. Perhaps I am only missing the last 13 pages.

Hope you didn't get too much rain and wind from Hurricane Fran. We were lucky. They had earlier predicted it to come ashore just north of Charleston, in which case we would have felt it.

Take care, and give my regards to Lillian.

Best,

