

Route 8, Frederick, Md. 21701
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Dear Mr. Collobin,

Thanks for enclosing the copy of the letter I sent you with your response of the 12th.

I thought your name was familiar.

I was a friend of the late Vito Marcantonio and Abner Green. I helped both. Marc lived with me in Washington. During the last part of his Congressional career, my wife was one of Marc's secretaries.

A young man who has just passed his bars in Washington has referred me to another New York lawyer who is a stranger to him. I am not a New Yorker. My few New York connections have to do with writing and includes only one lawyer, the one referred to in my letter.

If this lawyer will not represent me, do you know one to whom you can refer me? One who will not be influenced by my "past" and who will not be prejudiced against me by the subject of my writing?

The fact is I am more persona non grata to the government than either this "past" or my writing would indicate. Today it includes the present Attorney General from his days as Deputy Attorney General. I have sued successfully under the Freedom of Information law, 5 U.S.C. 552 (three times) and in the course of it have forced the Department to certify to the court that he is a liar.

Federal opposition to me and what I have done is strong. Without that I might not have some of the legal problems I have today. It includes surveillance of some of which I have copies.

A college in the New York area has asked me to make a speech next month. The date has not yet been selected. It will be the week beginning wither the 6th or the 13th. This will take me to New York. I can then retrieve the files from the lawyer who has done nothing. I would very much like to know of some lawyers I might be able to approach, if you can make suggestions.

Sincerely,

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Dear Mr. Weisberg:

I am General Counsel for the American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born and for the past 37 years have been practicing in the field of immigration law. I really have very little familiarity with the questions raised in your letter.

I do regret under the circumstances that I would not be able to assist you.

Sincerely yours,



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