

Hasty flap

To: John Dean from Harold Gouldberg, JFK assassination records appeals 6/17/79
Hasty/Gould visit-flap using note flap
pre-assassination records requests not complied with
Files not searched, including field offices
Illegible copies

The captions probably explain the reasons I made the attached copy of the Legal Counsel to Adams memo some time ago. I worked my way down to it today. Because even the file identification cannot be made out, among the many illegible notations, I tell you it is 62-10940-7433, from Section 160. The illegible number of the duplicate filing, if it is 62-116435, is of the House Judiciary Subcommittee I believe was also known as the Edwards committee. There has been no compliance from that file, which holds relevant records. That subcommittee also inquired into the Walters matter which also is the subject of prior appeals on which you have not yet acted. If the illegible caption added by hand refers to the assassination, the capital H visible at the beginning may be part of a reference to Hasty. I intend this as an addition to that prior appeal also. I have identified relevant records not provided and they may be in this additional unsearched file of the duplicate filing. Other files indicated as holding relevant records from which there has been no compliance are those of the Inspection Division, Mr. Adams and Legal Counsel. Perhaps again the liaison office. No or virtually no relevant records have been provided from the field office, which leads to the belief that the FBI merely avoided the file in which it knew the relevant records were filed, in Dallas. (Some Walters records were provided by that CO, New Orleans.) With regard to both flaps all records are now of historical significance in the JFK case. The Hasty matter, which relates to the pre-assassination period for which I made an earlier, separate request, is even more serious because it relates to the complete secrecy preserved by so many FBI employees, including Washington officials, over both improprieties, like the destruction of the note, and the failure to inform the Presidential Commission about the matter.

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For all his omniscience Mr. Adams required some preparation for this testimony. If no separate copies exist the searchers slips should and can lead to the records based on which he testified. These can also indicate what he avoided preparing to testify to, if anything. All is part of the historical case.