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Dear Mr. Isbell,

When delivery of the letter you have to Larry Stern accomplished nothing, I wrote him the second and self-explanatory one enclosed and saw Mr. Wiggins, the editor. He phoned me last evening and invited the enclosed communication, having gone over my letters or having a subordinate do so.

I believe the ice is now broken. I had a long phone call from Peter Kinss, of the New York Times in New York yesterday. They will be doing a column-long story for Monday's Times, on all the books (of which but two are current). The Los Angeles Times had a front-page story last Monday. The Detroit Times is carrying something. I have had a request for a copy from even the Australian Newspaper Association's correspondent. I am to be on Steve Allison's show tonight, and next week there are to be five taped 3-minute interviews on WTOP's a.m. newscasts, if we can get the first one taped before Monday morning. We were to do this last evening, but the union contract prohibits reporters acting as engineers and the station would not pay an engineer's overtime. And I do hope for more. Hence I hope that you and other similar-minded lawyers will find the time to know and understand more so that, when the whole thing breaks, you can help keep it within bounds and properly directed.

UPI has given me the requisite letter to the Archives so I can see their films, including the Nix and Muchmore movies, and they have agreed to using my Bolex to project the original copy of the Spruder film, that I presume will be the entire thing instead of the version we saw. Until I see how things go this coming week, where I'll be spending some time at the book convention at the Shoreham in an effort to get commercial distribution outside Washington and whether there will be more press interest, I will not know when I can take the projector there. The Archives wants it in their possession as short a time as possible. I'll keep you posted in case you'd like to go.

I did trace the autopsy working papers. They were entered as part of Exhibit 397 and they are part of Document 371. And I have traced the autopsy pictures and X-rays to the Secret Service, by both receipt and the statements of the courier. The official inventory describes 371 as working papers.

If you have a spare copy of the ACLU report saying Oswald was denied his legal rights, I'd like to have a copy for my files.

Sincerely yours,

Harold Weisberg