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July 26, 1975

Mr. Edward H. Levi  
The Attorney General  
Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Levi:

John P. Mackenzie's Washington Post story of July 25 quotes you as having said in a VOA broadcast that "Judges throughout the United States are afraid to enforce the law."

From this news account I am led to believe that you meant all criminal law, not just crimes of violence or against property.

I have just had such an experience with a federal judge and I write you seeking relief, particularly because the offenses were all by those under your direction and control.

Perjury is a felony, as is suborning it. In Civil Action 226-75, federal district court for the District of Columbia (and not by any means for the first time), I charged and I believe I proved perjury by an FBI agent.

Mr. Silbert's response when I raised this question with him was to advise me to raise the question with the judge. Although I regard Mr. Silbert and not the judge as the prosecutor (not that the roles are not sometimes confused), I did. The response of the judge was to say that gentlemen do not make and prove such charges. He also went further and suggested that, if made outside of court, I might expect retaliation.

Whether or not fear was the motive, I believe this is a case in which a judge refused "to enforce the criminal law." It is also a case in which you can, on your own, set an example, these offenders being your subordinates.

As a citizen who is the victim of these and prior undenied crimes of the same nature, I ask you for relief and protection and I offer you an opportunity to show that your words are other than polite pieties or public-relations and political gestures.

Sincerely,

Harold Weisberg