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The Attorney General,
The Department of Justice
Washington, DC 20530

Dear Ms. Reno,

In writing you in haste two days ago, and probably also because I believe that with a political decision already made nothing else will be considered, I omitted several factors I believe you should consider before you announce an investigation of the King assassination limited to alleged "new evidence." The FBI has probably already shown you is no such thing.

One is ~~the~~ ^{that} the things the FBI did and did not do in the investigation, which it stated and maintained was not of the assassination but of Ray's escape, a UFAC or unauthorized flight to avoid confinement case, could keep Frederic Whitehurst busy for a while in his reform efforts.

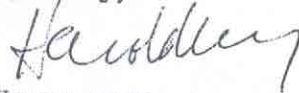
Another is that with its emphasis on Posner rather than on the FBI and what it did and did not do and say, much of what can be used against the Department and the FBI has already been drawn together. It exists in the book manuscript that is now being retyped, my Whoring with History: How the Gerald Posners Protect the King Assassins. Of course if the Department says the opposite, that can create controversy that might improve the book's prospects, but what I am urging on you, with no ~~my~~ personal interest involved, is that you reconsider the decision you reportedly made to limit any inquiry to this claimed "new evidence."

More than enough of the Department's and the FBI's relevant records are already available if, say, the Congress or perhaps only some members of it were to get interested and try to do something about it.

Although the transgressions ~~are~~ are of a different administration, with your reported decision you and this administration will, and properly, be held to be responsible because of this decision.

You really do need advice and counsel from those who have no involvement.

Sincerely,



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