

NJ JF-12 3/21/77 - referred to LRS

Freedom of Information Appeal
Commissioner of Internal Revenue
San Franklin Station, Box 929
Wash., D.C. 20044

7/31/80

Dear Commissioner,

RE: D: F 80-009

This matter is really a balanced referral from the Department of Justice. In the FOIA Search letter to me the request is not identified. I assume it pertains to my request for JFK assassination information, of 3/21/77.

The letter informs me that the information is withheld under 26 U.S.C. 6103 and (b)(3).

Despite these requirements other tax information has been disclosed in the JFK case.

If the withheld information includes a Lee Harvey Oswald tax return, ^{he} his is long dead, his correspondence about his taxes has been disclosed, the Warren Commission's reconstruction of his income and expenses, with IRS staff help, is public, and I believe that the public interest really requires that his tax return be disclosed.

If it is not there will continue to be the inference that the only reason it is withheld while other such information is disclosed is that he had unusual sources of income, as from being a paid informant.

There will continue to be the inference that the work the IRS did for the Warren Commission is not in accord with its own records.

And if other such information has been disclosed and this remains withheld, is it not reasonable that these inferences exist?

I appeal the withholdings.

Sincerely,

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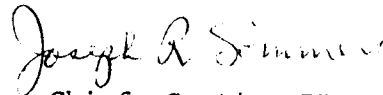
Dear Mr. Weisberg:

In processing your Freedom of Information Act request of May 21, 1977 the Department of Justice located documents that originated with the Internal Revenue Service. These documents were referred to us for our disclosure recommendation.

These documents are being withheld in their entirety as they contain third party tax return information. The release of such information is prohibited by 26 U.S.C. 6103. Hence, we consider the return information exempt from the disclosure requirements of the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. 552 in accordance with exemption (b) (3).

We are enclosing Notice 393, which provides information regarding your appeal rights.

Sincerely yours,



Chief, Section II
Freedom of Information
Branch

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Notice 393