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Dear Mr. Weisberg,

Thank you for your letter of October 23 concerning the "Open Letter to Earl Warren." In spite of your negative response—that is, having no recollection of it—I appreciate your prompt reply.

The letter remains a mystery, at this point. I have asked Salandria and Joe Lobenthal about it by phone, but neither of them remembers it. Lobenthal, if you do not know that name, taught a course on the Warren Report at the New School for Social Research in New York in the spring of 1965. Sylvia Meagher was among those who took the class.

I've also sent copies of the open letter to Ray Marcus and Shirley Martin. I have not heard back from Shirley yet, but I got a letter from Ray today. He does not remember the open letter either. I'm beginning to think it was an idea that simply never got off the ground.

You wondered how I got access to the Sylvia Meagher archive. Jan Samet, the head librarian at Hood College, has been extremely patient and helpful, taking my requests by telephone and e-mail. The Hood library has compiled what they call a "Finding Aid" to the Meagher material—essentially a catalog—and it has been very useful to me. Of course, obtaining documents sight-unseen means that I get some stuff that I don't have any use for, but I guess that is the nature of long distance research. But for every dud I've received, I've gotten at least one nugget, too.

The Meagher archive has been a real gold mine. Once your material and that of Ray Marcus is available, I foresee a day when Hood College will be an indispensible resource for anyone researching this area. It is already that for me.

Best Regards, John