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Dear Mr. LoCascio,

In answer to your question, I don't know where you can do any original research without leaving Houston.

There are now depositories of records as a result of Freedom of Information lawsuits, some in the FBI's public reading room and some in private hands.

But I don't know of any near you.

Let me give you another caution: not all that you read in books is dependable.

Theories can be polished and seemingly supported and the average person, including many who have done research, is not in a position to raise questions that should be raised and answered.

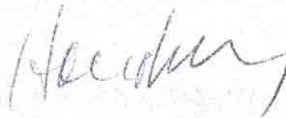
I am not in a position to engage in correspondence about this. I will soon be 77 and I am recovering from a triple bypass operation.

I also suggest that it is very thoughtless of you to send a letter that is so very pale, even if the recipient has better eyesight than I do.

I almost ignored your letter for this reason alone.

It can't be necessary and it is at the least thoughtless and inconsiderate.

Sincerely,



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Dear Mr. Weisberg:

I have recently finished reading your four book series (Whitewash I-IV) which I ordered from your publishing company in December, 1989.

I have read many books and articles about the assassination of President Kennedy, but without doubt, the "Whitewash" series must be considered among the most important, if not the most important books written on the subject.

I was only eight years old when President Kennedy was killed, and like so many other people, I can vividly recall where I was, what I was doing, and many of the events that followed that weekend. I saw Lee Harvey Oswald murdered on live television that Sunday, and though I hated the man for what he allegedly had done, I distinctly remember thinking that if he dies, how will we really know if he assassinated the President?

As the years passed, I carried with me a deep personal belief that something wasn't right, something was being kept from us regarding the events surrounding the assassination.

I kept up with newspaper and magazine articles concerning the assassination, and though I was aware of the important research being done, I was too involved in other things to really make a serious attempt to study the material.

The first book that I actually read on the assassination was "Best Evidence" by David Lifton. It shocked me. Since then, I have read everything that I can get my hands on. I spend a lot of time in used book stores hoping to find out-of-print books on the subject, and I have recently begun writing to researchers, yourself and Penn Jones Jr. being the first. I was grateful to get a response from you so quickly, and I immediately placed an order for the "Whitewash" series, and "Post-Mortem". So far, I have not heard from Mr. Jones, but remain hopeful.

Mr. Weisberg, I feel as though I have gone well beyond the "sensationalist" attitude of studying the assassination. I wish to study any material that can shine light on this subject. I am firmly convinced that until we have an answer to this awful crime, I cannot listen to anything the government tells me and believe that they are being honest.

Concerning my own personal research, any correspondence, suggestions or direction from you would be greatly appreciated.

In closing, I simply wish to thank you for your devotion to this research. Through the efforts of people like yourself, hopefully we may gain insight and understanding of the world in which we live.

Respectfully,

Joseph LoCascio