Citizens Commission of Inquiry

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November 29, 1976

Mr. James H. Lesar 1231 Fourth St. S.W. Wasington, D.C. 20002

Dear Mr. Lesar:

I did visit Mr. Ray at his request. He has since asked me, in writing, to visit him again.

I have been informed that he sought to dismiss you as counsel. Mr. Ray informed me that he was securing counsel, other than you, to represent him.

Mr. Ray has asked me to represent him in a specific matter. He has retained me to do so in writing. He subsequently wrote to me in reference to that matter. He subsequently wrote to me asking me to visit him again.

Your churlish letter of November 23 is evidently based upon your ignorance of the facts or your failure to grasp the essence of the canons of professional conduct. In either event, your threat that "disciplinary action" may be taken against me reveals both an antagonism towards another lawyer representing Mr. Ray and a hysteria that may explain in part why Mr. Ray is at his present location, despite your efforts as his attorney.

I have not the slightest idea what "waiver" you refer to on four separate occasions in your intemperate letter. As to my professional relationship with Mr. Ray, that must remain confidential and privileged as the canons and common decency require, unless and until Mr. Ray should decide otherwise.

I wish you the very best in your efforts to represent Mr. Ray for those areas where you are mandated to do so.

Sincerely Yours

Mark Lane Director

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