

Dear Mr. Larsen,

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Letters like yours represent a different kind of problem for me than you are in a position to appreciate so I begin with an explanation I hope will provide a context for your understanding. I regard the assassination of a president as the most subversive of crimes and, regardless of what the intent may have been, as having the effect of a coup d'etat. I think that such a crime requires the fullest and most honest official investigation possible in part because the crime itself negates representative government, because it has the effect of a coup d'etat, and because the integrity of the successor government and the need of the people to know and understand require it. In the case of all the U.S. political assassinations no genuine investigation was ever made or intended to be made. There thus are no real leads for those making any private inquiry to follow.

Almost without exception the books on the JFK assassination deceive and mislead the people. Some are by well-intended people who are utterly lost in this kind of inquiry, some are by egotists and some are by self-seekers and those who commercialize these great tragedies.

You say you are studying <sup>the</sup> JFK assassination and I am without doubt that you believe it. But your letter reflects the fact that you have had access only to those irresponsible books that theorize conspiracies and seek to persuade the reader they have solved the case. You refer to one such book, John Davis' Mafia Kingfish. So I'll give you a means of measuring his integrity, if you have the hardback book. His last reference to me says that a man he has previously described as the "top mafia lawyer" and who in fact was not a mafia lawyer but was one of the most eminent immigration lawyers spent much of a year here rummaging through my files. This is 100% false and he knew it. It was with great effort that I got the publisher of the paperback, which you may have, to withdraw that false and defamatory statement. The only person who ever did anything like what Davis says is Davis himself. I never met that immigration lawyer and he was never here, in person or by proxy. Davis had a senior at a local college go through my records, unsupervised, for most of a semester or college year, I've forgotten which. I think he, without saying anything like this, credits her. Her name is Amy Stevens. I intend this for you to understand not only that Davis is an evil man and a liar but utterly unscrupulous because he invented this defamation to make it appear that Marcello was interested in the official files when he wasn't at all.

Aside from the knowledge and information required for me to publish six books on the JFK assassination, of which copies of five are still available, I obtained about a third of a million pages of government records, mostly from the FBI. But I keep them as I received them for archival purposes and they are without index. As I read them I did make duplicate copies of records that appeared to have relevance and could be of interest to serious scholars and writers. There is nothing at all to the mafia theory so I did not make duplicate copies of those records, save for a few that were copied for other purposes. So I have no copies that I can retrieve for you. It is true not that, as you represent understanding, I search and then make copies but that I do permit access to others and do let them use my copier to make copies. I am 77 and in impaired health and can't do what you ask. Moreover, the stuff you ask about is just that, stuff, and for serious inquiry valueless. In this regard, you ask about Ed Becker records. What Davis did not tell his readers is that Becker was an FBI informer who went from his meeting with Marcello to the FBI and failed to tell the FBI anything at all like what he later made up. I did read that record and it is likely that Amy Stevens copied it. The Partin-Hoffa records are not related to the JFK assassination and I do not have them. I may have some relating to Jose Aleman but his story has no credibility at all.

When I get a letter like yours I face the problem of telling people what they do not want to hear and are probably unwilling to believe. But I am telling you the truth about Davis' and just about all the other people and their case-solving books. Those who are not of evil intent can't distinguish between fact that has been established and what they dream happened and thus they concoct conspiracies that are not proven.

Sincerely,  
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Dear Sir.

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I am taken the liberty in writing to you, in the hope that you can help me with a request.

For the last many years, i have been studying the assassination of President John F. Kennedy on a private basis. But as there are very little litterature on this subject in Denmark, i have been forced to import many books from United States, to follow up on my study.

During my reading of the book "Mafia Kingfish" by John H. Davis, i noticed among his sources for the book your name and address, and that it is possible to obtain copies of files from FBI from their investigations of the assassination, from your office.

And led to my request to you.

Is it possible to obtain certain copies of this FBI-files, and furthermore, what will it cost for each copi to be send by air-mail to my address in Denmark.

If your reply is positive, i am interested in the following subjects.

1. Investigations and interviews with Jose Aleman-Trafficante.
2. Investigations and interviews with Edward Becker-Ed Reid.
3. Investigations and interviews with Edvard Partin-Jimmy Hoffa

Hoping to receive a positive reply to my letter, i remain,

Yours faithfully

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