

Dear Mr. Haugere,

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Last week I was home from four weeks of hospitalization. The end of March and early April I was hospitalized for two weeks. The diagnosis include congestive heart failure, inefficient kidney function and high blood pressure, all new to me. But it has left me weaker, less able, and for several years it has been impossible for me to use most of my records, which are in our basement. That is where my Garrison and Oliver Stone records are. And I have no help, as you seem to believe, other than my wife who also suffers physical disabilities that preclude her use of those stairs, too. So, it is not possible for me to retrieve from either of those files. I will, however, try to respond to any ^{of} questions you may ask about either.

My recollection is also not as good as it once was so I do not recall what I have written about that combo in Inside the JFK Assassination Industry. A friend, Dr. Dennis MacDonald, sociology, St. ~~Augustine~~ ^{ABELEM} College, Manchester, NH, is retyping that lengthy ms. that had been begun by a ~~good~~ student. If ~~he~~ has passed that part perhaps he can provide you with copies from the diskette. It would be uncorrected and it was written in haste.

I had been promised a complete retyping of Case Open but that is not what I got. My copy of the rough draft is likewise not accessible to me now and the diskette I have was somehow altered when it was converted to a different ^{com-}puter system. However, if my recollection is correct, I did give Dr. Gerald ^{Ginocchip}, also sociology, Wofford College, Spartanburg, SC. a copy and he did print it out with a copy to Dennis. (They are close friends and collaborators.) ^{By} a copy of your letter we'll learn if what they have is close to the complete printout that was in fact never complete although the copy of it I have and cannot get to is more than 700 pages.

Now on the Shaw trial transcripts, which I also cannot not copy for you, and I think you mean Finck's testimony, you can now get that free or close to free. Each of us is entitled under the 1992 act for the copying of 100 pages from the JFK assassination archive free from the National Archives. This mean you can get 100 page, ^{you} wife can get another 100 pages, each of ^{you} student can get 100 pages, etc., but each would have to pay 25¢ a page for each page over 100. The address is 8601 Adelphi Road, College Park, MD 20746 (perhaps 20740)-6001. Ramona Branch there is in JFK Assassination Access files. I'm told she is helpful. They do have the Garrison transcripts, I believe.

Stone, of course, had a right to say anything he wanted to say but he had no right to lie at the outset and tell the people he would record their history for them and tell them who killed their President, why and how based on the Garrison fabrications and Mrs's' fantasies. As I told him at some length two month before he

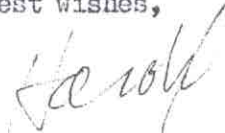
started shooting. If he did not know earlier he knew the truth then. I did not steal that copy of the script, as he said, making that up, too. It was a copy he had given someone that was given to me. And with all those supposed subject-matter experts, including his script co-author who'd been Garrison's editor for On the Trail of the Assassin (the one trail Garrison never took, alas), ~~for~~ their ignorance of the best known fact was astounding and visible in the script.

I hope that the diskette Ginocchio has is reasonable complete and if not might be reasonably helpful anyway.

If there is any error in the check my wife will enclose a correction. I think you did not include Frame-Up, which is on the King case. It has a little about the JFK case, the early part of the "filter story, including all of the transcript the MI Miami police had and a few FBI reports.

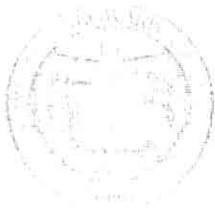
Sorry I can't be more helpful.

Best wishes,



Harold Weissberg

From your check you seem to want Frame-Up. It is enclosed.



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Dear Mr. Weisberg:

Hello! I hope you and your wife are doing well, all things being equal. Please give her my regards.

Community college student response to your work in my classes has been worthy of videotaping, if that were my style. Almost uniformly they are first stunned, if not shocked, at the content of your research and writing. Perhaps most notable is the reaction of foreign students. They are amazed! I have enjoyed breaking new ground with them and believe it is safe to say their effort to come to grips with this part of our country's history will continue throughout their adult lives.

Over the course of the past year and a half, I have tried to motivate some of my high school students to begin reading your and other authors' works regarding the president's murder and cover-up, as well as the summary volume of the Warren Commission, as a way to establish a basis for a posthumous mock trial for Lee Oswald.

In the main, they have responded enthusiastically. Almost always, the lead prosecuting and defense attorneys demonstrate real spirit in their roles. One of my ablest students, motivated by the belief Oswald was guilty, prepared herself for the role of lead prosecutor by researching Whitewash: The Report On The Warren Report and the summary volume of The Warren Commission Report. The result, however, was the same verdict as in all the other classes: Oswald, not guilty. All juries had to declare after the trials the essential basis for their verdicts: unanimously, it was not enough direct evidence to find Oswald guilty. I don't know how many other American highschoolers are getting this type of experience in the curriculum, but I am glad to say mine are.

This semester I have switched the focus from "legal proceedings" to popular entertainment and the beginning of a lengthy research project centered around analyzing, "JFK, The Film: How Much Fact, How Much Dramatic License?" I read with real interest your comments regarding Stone's "JFK," on page 156 of Never Again! Have you incorporated this letter with the attached proof into the files you make available to researchers? If yes, would it be possible for one of the people who assist you to xerox a copy, charge me, and mail to my office?

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Furthermore, I would appreciate your doing the same in regard to a copy of the Clay Shaw trial transcript and the 75% of Case Open that Carroll and Graf did not publish. I do hope this is possible because I am keenly interested in incorporating their content into my course materials.

In closing, I would like to buy another complete set of your books and am requesting your signature and a date on each one of them. I've enclosed a check for \$96.46. If more than that is owed, please forward how much; if less, establish a credit for me in your records. I may very well be purchasing yet another complete set if the Broward County School Board doesn't buy them per my request of approximately one year ago. If they don't purchase, then I will personally donate this particular set to the Cooper City High School Library.

Thank you for your time and consideration of the above requests. Take care!

Sincerely,

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