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Dear Mr. Weisberg,

Thank you for your letter of 9/2 responding to my request to meet you. Valuing your work as I do, it is more important to me that you be able to have all the time you wish to put your words on paper than it is for me to have the opportunity to meet you, though I would be honored. I wish you vitality and health to continue with your work, which is so important to this country and our freedoms.

I do have several questions regarding your writings and JFK's assassination that I would be grateful if you could provide answers for. Perhaps you might be willing to spare a few moments in conversation on the phone to assist me. I will be in New York visiting friends perhaps by the time you receive this letter (from 9/22-9/29). I would like to try to reach you perhaps Sunday the 26th. If you are unable to converse should I reach you, I understand. And I will be grateful for your words, should you have time.

You requested any material and/or press I may have seen about the new book on JFK's assassination. I assume you mean <u>Case Closed</u>. It is carried by the bookstore next to the restaurant at which I work. I've not seen any reviews or press (although I had sought none out prior to your writing) but I did glance at it and leaf through some of it. "Pretty awful stuff" you wrote. Yes. Enough to ruin an entire day of mine as well as a night or two of sleep. In particular, his attempts to disparage researchers with a sentance or two is shameful – especially you. Do you have grounds for defamation of character? Certainly Lee Harvey Oswald has for a long time.

I have enclosed a piece that I have been saving for you since last spring. My apologies for such a long delay in getting it to you. But since I have nothing on <u>Case Closed</u>, I hope this will be of interest. It is a piece on the Peltier case from another local weekly in the Minneapolis-St. Paul area. The City Pages (which interviewed you almost two years ago) and The Reader (enclosed) are two of the main weekly papers. It may unfortunately remind you of your dealings with the FBI, about which you wrote in <u>Post Mortem</u>. I hope it will be of use to you. I will continue to be on the lookout for any press to which you may not have access on the JFK case.

Best wishes,

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