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Dear Wallace,

Thanks for your 8/25 and the enclosed on Lattimer. I'll read it when I have time and am certain it is a good and valuable job, so thanks for it and for doing it.

With regard to Case Open, which I hear is doing well despite not a single ad or promo, I suppose I should not be surprised that not a single one of the supposed assassination newsletters has mentioned it except Fourth Decade in a letter, not a review. I know of no reviews anywhere.

I think this says more about others than it does about the book.

Not long ago I had an unconfirmed report that NBC was going to air that Wolper whopper this fall. But the first I heard of it it was scheduled for this past February. I have a Hollywood writer friend I asked. He had heard nothing about it.

In terms of rallying forces to block it on NBC, I think I should not figure directly in that but I think that my book or perhaps better, an affidavit Roger Feinman has based on the book that he used in the unsuccessful Groden lawsuit against RH, Posner and the Times, to which they made no response, may be more effective.

If they ask me I am quite willing to give them proof positive of Posner's intended dishonesty.

Including in the reprint that I got today and I've not even skimmed. With all I say about him in Case Open, some of which, for I checked, forced him to make so many changes, as with Failure Analysis, all he can say about me is that I am what he knows I am not, a conspiracy theorist, and that Case Open is my first book commercially published. He has copies of two others and in all there were 10 commercial publications. One was in Italy and five are by Dell. He talks about dismal sales. The first Dell Printing of WW was of 250,000 copies. They then ~~reprinted~~ reprinted three more times. It was for six months their only best-selling work of non-fiction from their ads.

But I am inclined to think that if that affidavit or that book and more, Posner's complete inability to make any refutation at all, gets into the right hands, NBC will want to stop and think.

Best wishes,

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Dear Harold:

Cyril Wecht forward a copy of your letter asking for submissions to Mr. Agel in New York City, concerning Posner and his attempted paperback. I have been collecting "Posnerisms" since the U. S. News article and am sending Mr. Agel quite a bundle.

I concur with Cyril in praising Case Open. The publication of the letter from Ms Meyers of Failure Analysis in its entirety was a revealing coup.

I am enclosing a copy of a paper which I have just completed on Lattimer and his "Thorburn position." I just sent a copy of this to Posner and to Loomis at Random House, pointing out what a charlatan Lattimer is (and has been) and that, if he is still relying on Thorburn in his reconstruction of the shooting, he is rowing with cardboard oars. The paper is to be published soon, but feel free to use it in any manner you wish, anything which might derail Posner, that is.

Have you heard anything further about David Wolper/NBC's plans to do a docudrama on Posner and Case Closed to counter the commercial TV appearance of Stone's JFK this fall. It was reported last fall that this was in the works. I am wondering, in the light of the large amount of criticism of Posner's book, if NBC still has this on its agenda. We must rally our forces to block this, if it is being planned.

Sincerely,

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