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Dr. James Rhoads, Archivist
The National Archives
Washington, D.C.

Dr. Dr. Rhoads,

This is to ask you for those documents I have ordered and have not received and for answers to the unanswered inquiries I have made, including for a list of the references to David W. Ferris and the reasons for which each of those withheld is withheld.

It has been rather a longer time than can be accounted for as normal delays from being busy.

I would also like copies of all documents, whether or not in the files of the Warren Commission, about or from Melvin Coffee, Alvin Baubacuf and Leyton Martens, all connected with Ferris. If any of these are withheld, I would also like their identifications and the reasons in each case. By "from" I include statements made by them, whether or not signed by them.

Then inordinate delays in responding to my requests are improper and are contrary to law. I do hope that whether or not you ordered it, you will see to it that this interference with "freedom of information" and my rights ~~is~~ is ended. I do not ask for special treatment, but I believe I am entitled to service no less accurate and no slower than that rendered others.

Sincerely,

Harold Weisberg

Note: Milton Brener is Martens' attorney. In his book on Garrison, Brener says these men were interviewed by the FBI, that Martens gave them a signed statement.