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Dear Bill,

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In this I'll amplify what I told you by phone, making a record for myself whether or not by the time you receive this adding to your knowledge.

Jim Lesar is a substantial person, non-flighty, opposite of paranoid. On something like I told you about the kidnapping of his refuse it is not within possibility that he exaggerates or imagines. His wife is a doctor, his brother-in-law some kind of engineer in this country for advanced study, and his sister-in-law also is college trained, I think a home economist. I know all these people and assure you they are quite solid and completely dependable. They all know of the garbology going back to two week before today.

On that day the sister-in-law had something to add to the collection, which had been put out I believe the night before. As I recall this is the practise. Only when she went out to do this all the plastic bags of the stuff were gone. Initially this was attributed to an earlier collection than usual. But later, when she or another left to go shopping it was observed that nobody else's garbage or trash had been collected.

Jim works until the wee hours, 3-4 a.m. not being unusual. He sleeps later because of this. So the next time he asked his brother-in-law to observe. Again their trash was gone and it alone. Today ditto.

We thus do not know when it began. I am sure that there would have been some inkling if it had been going on for an exceptionally long time. This raises questions of with what the garbology can coincide.

Unlike most lawyers Jim does most of his work at home. Before he could afford a down-town office he made his cellar into an office. He works there every night and because the night for him is so long does most of his work there. All his briefings, drafts and final typings of affidavits - all court papers. This means all his drafts are in his trash. Also the carbon ~~px~~ ribbons, which can be read easily. (He uses carbon sets and I reuse the carbon paper he would otherwise throw away.)

Others might ~~sure~~ expect that some of his mail might be in the trash.

On January 16 of this year we established quite a precedent and got the FBI and DJ no minor dressing down from a judge. This is the case in which the FBI was forced to give me the second batch of its JFK releases. (I expect the first batch as their alternative to further suit for it.) That may or may not be a factor now.

Not long after that we were in court on two appeals, one in the spectro-neutron activation case and the other, the one I regard as more likely, for the still-withheld executive session transcripts. This involved the CIA where its hair is short and its perjury is long. It also involves the new Epstein book, about which I spoke to you some weeks ago. More on this later. We have alleged that the CIA misled the court and we have offered "new evidence" of this including putting the New York magazine articles that are mostly Epstein interviews into the record. The DJ reaction - it is counsel for the other agencies - is hysterical. For government briefings what they have filed is a little extreme. Including charges against us. (The CIA is doing the withholding - over Nosenko and defectors - but it is not a named defendant. The Archiyes and USA are and DJ is counsel.)

We do not yet know how the appeals court will react or find, if it has anything to say prior to oral arguments. No date has been set for them. It has not acted on the government's motion to expunge. It has not expunged out briefings or my tough affidavit. Normally there is no new evidence on the appeals level. In this case the new evidence is what the government (improperly) withheld and I'd forecast it in an earlier affidavit. (They make me Merlin, the man who remembers the future!)

The odds are against an FBI or CIA agent pulling the heist. But they are not against photographing or following those who do it if there are those willing to sit and wait of a night. I would recommend two people at least and two cars, one on each side of the street on which Jim's house faces so it can take off after any fleeing truck. Or follow if not detected. Without any loss of time.

It appears entirely unlikely than any private person would have any such interest. There is nothing in Jim's private life to suggest the possibility and none in any of his practise except my cases, all of which he handles.

All are against the government, DJ, FBI, CIA, etc. Oh yes, this also coincides with the judge getting active in a fraud case I have against the CIA. We now have about two months to complete discovery in it. This will include an effort to take some CIA depositions. They may resist but I think we will.

Also coinciding in time with our knowing of the trashing the CIA came to life in this case and in my request for the mind-bending and drugs records. They just up and sent me 14,375 pages without advance payment. They they made efforts to moot the fraud case. I did not blunder into that one. The most recent effort was in my Saturday's mail. The answer went out this morning.

It had been a very long time since I heard from them about anything. They were not answering my letters, either. Now they are even processing other withheld records for me, about a year and a half late, and have even written to let me know.

They are the more likely candidates, I believe.

Catching those who are doing it should be fun. It should also make an exciting story. And it surely will make a sensation in court.

I hope that having to discuss it on the phone did not give it away.

Best wishes,