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6 /2/92

Dear Mr. Oakes,

Thanks for your note and the enclosures.

They make interesting souvenirs but I do not go for souvenirs in my work. No time for them!

The note is too unclear for me to make much of it out but I'm not inclined to put much stock in the things that Ruby said in part because of the kind of person he was before the advent of the brain cancer, which was well developed before it was detected, and in part because of it.

If you are still in touch with Maddox, I'm interested if he was with Walthers when Buddy got himself killed by carelessness. I was in Dallas that day, by the way.

If he can tell you more about the bullet Buddy supposedly picked up and it looks too large to be a bullet to me, including what disposition was made of it, that would be of interest to me.

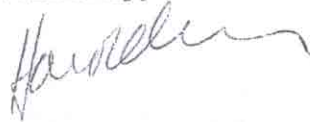
And if the unidentified man in the picture of this is Barrett, that, too, would be interesting, particularly because he filed no report on it. At least not one in the Dallas JFK assassination files.

While the Oswald arrest record says he was arrested at 1:40 p.m. 11/22/63, it does not say when it was filled out. If there is any way of learning that, that also would be interesting.

If any of the people you were in touch with, particularly Drain and Maddox, had anything to say other than what is reported, it could be quite interesting. I've always wondered whether Walthers' widow has any records or recollections of what he said that she'd be willing to share.

Thanks for your good wishes. My best wishes to you,

sincerely,



INFORMAL MEMO

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DATE 5-26-92

TO MR. HAROLD WEISBURG,

I hope you ARE DOING BETTER AND
Thank you for the Books, I Am
pleased to finally have my own copies.

I JUST RETURNED FROM DALLAS
WHERE I SPENT THE LAST YEAR TALKING
TO FORMER DEPT. SHERIFF AL. MADDOX
(BUDDY WALTERS PARTNER) AND A GUARD
OF JACK RUBY. (I'M SURE YOU KNOW). HE
DECIDED TO LOAN TO THE J.F.K CENTER
RUBY'S CHAIN THEY USED TO MANACLE HIM,
TWO SKETCHES OR DRAWINGS BY RUBY, ONE
AUTOGRAPHED, (THEY LOOK PERFECT) AN ORIGINAL
MUG SHOT OF RUBY, AND MOST IMPORTANT
THE NOTE RUBY SLIPPED TO MADDOX AS
HE WAS BEING TAKEN TO THE HOSPITAL.
(COPY ENCLOSED). THE ORIGINAL WAS A SMALL

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TO Note and written on Both
sides of the paper, Let me know
what you think! Also He SAID that
Buddy Walters picked up a Bullet
on the South Side of Elm St. He put
me in touch with VINCE DRAIN ^{F.B.I.}
AND MR. DRAIN SAID the UNIDENTIFIED
MAN IS Robert Barrett (F.B.I.)

OF COURSE, THIS IS UNCONFIRMED
AS OF THIS WRITING AND I DOUBT THAT I
COULD BE THAT LUCKY, BUT I'LL LET YOU
KNOW IF IT CHECKS OUT.

Take care!

Sincerely,

Mark A. Oakes

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Thanks again for
ALL your work!

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