Dear Harold,

I feel like I just lost my virginity. This is, I believe, the first time I have ever typed a letter to anybody.

Thanks for the Hamilton catalogue, I think I'll find it useful, although I wish somebody with Sylvia Meagher's patience would put the thing in some sort of order.

I'm sending along the Reibling material you requested, along with some other items that might warrant inclusion in the historical record. I have fairly easy access to the N.Y.C. Public Library, so if you need copies of any particular items (including book excerpts) please let me know.

As far as your idea of dictating a memo on the Reibling stuff, I'd like to offer my services as transcriber, but it would have to be understood that I can't guarantee to do the work in "timely" fashion. That is, I can't do it if you need the transcript right away. At this point, it's less a question of skill on my part as much as it is a question of available time. If you send me a cassette of your dictation, I feel that I can get you 10 to 20 typed pages a week. If you are amenable to such an arrangement, let's go for it.

By the way, I've put aside Post Mortem for the moment to read Whitewash. I'm about half-way through it, and I feel that despite my fairly extensive reading on the assassination, Whitewash is unquestionably the most pointed and penetrating critique of the Warren Commission around. In fact, it is such a rigorous, well-reasoned analysis that it sends me into despair. I simply cannot conceive of how any intelligent mind could fail to be persuaded by it's logic and directness. I can only conclude that enough people haven't read it, or perhaps enough people have read it but without understanding. My sense of despair comes from the belief that even people like Stephen Ambrose and Tom Wicker and Dan Rather (we can assume that Posner has read your work, but let's leave the lying sack of shit out of this) could not help but be persuaded by your writing--if only they could be persuaded to read it in the first place!

Speaking of Dipshit, I mean Posner, why has there been so little concerted effort on the part of the "research community" to drive a stake into this guy's heart? Aside from your book, and some scattered articles by Peter Dale Scott, Connie Kritzberg, and Jerry Rose, I"ve seen zilch. Do you know of any other pieces critical of Dippy? Also, you know that if there is any way of getting my hands on the longer version of Case Open, I would be only too glad to re-imburse you for any expense involved.

Regards,

John