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Dear Mrs. Pomerance,

I am sorry nobody introduced us yesterday when I was in Bud's office to keep a week-old appointment to work on several of my suits against the government. I have been wanting to meet and thank you for your encouragement what now seems so long ago, even if it never worked out. As you may remember, it was not possible for me to go to New York then and when I could go, later, it was not convenient for you.

Since then I have obtained, by suit and threat of suit, some of the most significant data on the JFK assassination, what was withheld from the Warren Commission itself.

And I do have every expectation of getting more of the withheld evidence. In two cases I have filed suits and in several more I have them in rough draft. These other suits will be filed when I can revise the drafts.

Should you ever be in this area again and want to see this evidence, I will be more than happy to show it to you. It is but an hour from here to Washington.

It remains what I regard as one of the great tragedies of our day that those who consider themselves genuine liberals have neither informed themselves nor sought to inform themselves as they can and that in no case of which I have knowledge have they in any way helped with viable work that has a chance of success.

Much too late I have arranged publication of my work on the King case. It is the essence of Ray's defense today. After more than a year of the most delicate negotiations, I was able to get Bud to represent Ray. When I asked Bud if he would do it, he considered it impossible. If the legal work is adequate, we should now get a public trial in one of the assassinations where we do have the alleged evidence and in every aspect, no matter how minor, have it thoroughly refuted. If you would like, I could probably arrange to lend you a set of page proofs. The publishers are small, just starting. I declined an offer from a major publisher, afraid of the potential of the material itself, to do what he described as a "sensationally written" book on what I have done rather than the evidence itself. That is not my "bag".

There was once a time when Bud had the only extra copies of three of the books I have not been able to get printed. I asked him to send you the first part of what was then titled COUP D'ETAT. Instead he sent you the first part of POST MORTEM. The two parts of COUP D'ETAT have been contracted into this book on the King/Ray case only. In shortening it, what had to be eliminated (it is an enormous work) is several things I thought might interest you: the involvement and protection of the most virulent racists, really fascists, and the political framing of Bobby Kennedy.

Sincerely, Harold Weisberg