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Dear Gary,

The plan you and others have for a November confrontation ~~with~~ between Posner and Oliver Stone remained on my mind after we spoke yesterday so relentlessly that it is one of the extraordinarily few things that in recent years kept me from sleeping. While experience and observation tell me that in taking this time to reason with you about it is in all probability wasted, in the hope that reason and experience will prevail I do take the time because I think it is an invitation to a disaster and it a story-book attempt to do the right thing the wrong way.

You introduced what you said by saying you believed I would "hate" it and in this reflected a basic misunderstanding of the position I take all the time that, although it is a lonely one, is always vindicated by what happens. I do not hate in general and in specifics do not hate Stone or any of his hangers on. As I indicated to you I had in fact taken an initiative I believed would be ignored in calling to his attention, if Rusconi forwarded it, the existing work that was his for the asking if he wanted to do anything meaningful about Posner and his evil. As I also told you, even after I had made the public record that in his movie Stone would be presenting fiction despite his referring to it as nonfiction I told Rusconi that they were still welcome to free access to all I have. My only objection to his movie was this, that he was telling the people that his fiction was the reality, nonfiction.

I have much more that Stone can make effective use of ~~aside~~ from what is in and is documented in the major part of what I wrote under the title of Hoax: the Gerald Posner/Random House/CIA JFK Assassination Exploitation that is not included in the light portion of it published as Case Open. I have a very large book the same publisher has been sitting on for more than a year. NEVER AGAIN! could have been published easily before Case Closed. Why it was not I do not know. I have not been able to learn a thing about why Case Open was massacred or why NEVER AGAIN! was delayed. For that matter, I have no indication that it will appear, as I was last told, this September. But it does more to validate Stone and his movie-with fact, not fiction- than most will be able to imagine. It begins by stating there was and proving with official documents that there was a conspiracy not to investigate the crime itself and as it builds, all with official evidence of which the ignorance in the so-called critical community is indeed profound -it taking that <sup>much</sup> time and effort to obtain and understand - make a case for a military conspiracy to kill JFK. It does not state there was. It merely makes such a case. And contrary to what I regard as the storybook approach you told me about, it is what Posner and all his allies will not be able to lay a finger on.

Posner has been busy correcting his many mistakes and before the time for your scenario comes, if it does come, his paperback will have appeared with those corrections

made. He thus will be in the position in any confrontation of saying that in haste he did make a few minor errors but they were minor, they are corrected, and the trust of his book is still <sup>the</sup> ~~they~~ and stands untouched. If as I anticipate he does this in any confrontation, ~~Bill~~ Stone will be undercut and have nothing to stand on.

In fact, not matter how much he is primed, as you indicated he would be, he will still have nothing to stand on because those priming him are not really subject experts and most have long careers of making the most numerous factually errors. I made a record for history of all the defenses of his movie ~~before~~ before and after it appeared by them and they <sup>my</sup> combine into quite a claue of flacking subject-matter ignoramuses. For the record for history I have about a file drawer of this and it includes each and every one of them, believe me. Of those I believe may be most respected out there, Peter <sup>U</sup>ale Scatt and the others in Tikun.

All of those who really do not have anything like a command of the established fact can prime Stone until his gut splits and he will not be perpped for the expectable attack from Posner. He will not know the material and for a man as busy as he is he can't begin to know the fact. When he has spoken it has always been with the mythology these so-called experts present as fact when it is not that at all. And for all I wrote those many publications, and to the best of my recollection I did not miss a single one, there is not a single response. No pro forma allegation that I ~~err~~ erred in a single thing I wrote about their flauntings of ignorance. Now that is not something I wanted to do or enjoyed doing. But they also lied to the people and I felt it was necessary even with no prospect of publication at all to make a factual and honest record.

The problem each and all of you has and have is that you do not know what the established fact is and as with his <sup>all</sup> ~~claque~~ of so called advisors all of you believe what you hear from others, the others who do not know what they are talking about. Complicating this is the fact that while some of you have specialized in specific areas and some have done well within <sup>them</sup> ~~the~~ it is never in context and is never with regard to what else does exist as fact that is relevant. All are and have been too busy to be able to eliminate this continuing problem. In even the book on the movie the erros are simply astounding to the few who do have command of the fact. Musconi may be Stone's expert but expert she is not, cannot be and will not be. The result is sometimes pathetic. I'm told that it was only ~~of~~ out of respect for Stone that he was not pilloried when he testified to the Senate Glenn committee, he was so lost, so far from fact in what he said..

That cannot be expected from Posner. If Stone agrees to such a confrontation. I think he has enough <sup>2</sup> sense to overcome his ego and will not subject himself to that enormous ~~of~~ humiliation that will be inevitable.

You outlined a storyboom way of fighting <sup>Posner</sup> him. And worst of all, you plan to delay it until that long after his paperback is out. I have no personal knowledge of that date but I did hear from inside the trade last December that it was then scheduled for this

coming August. Later a friend sent me a letter to him from Posner in which Posner admitted some errors, said he was busy correcting them, and that the paperback would be out in September. By November it will have reached most of the people it can be expected to reach and will have benefitted from the months of silence when those months are the time to do something about him. That can be done so effectively that the TV show will have been killed, cancelled. As an effective expose now could kill the paperback.

Two things are obvious now. One is that Posner for the first time, I believe the only time, has been silent about criticism. He has always gone after those who criticized him. Even on the computer networks of which I was sent copies. He threatened to sue Scheim on them repeatedly. But I called him a liar, a thief, a fraud and he is silent. The reasons are obvious, First I was factually correct and proved it when saying it and second he is avoiding fighting with me, feeble as he knows I ~~was~~ am. Case Open has been out for a month. He has been silent and all I know who criticize him, if they have not been silent, have not found a voice that can be heard. They, Stone included, have a club with which it beat him and they do not use it.

This also raises questions of the purposes of those who have criticized him. Have they done it without any self selfish interest at all? Or do they want criticisms that can be effective to be limited to those he can shrug off that they have made?

Collectively, if you had the interest or the time, you cannot begin to do what I have already done. Yet rather than use what is done and is available you all want to be Perry Masons. Which not one of you can be. Think about this and ask yourself why.

While I have no means of placing it I have a long article on Posner and his book that could get much attention in a magazine. It is the kind of thing to which he cannot respond. And it could reach many people. But not one of those who supposedly want to do something about his lies has asked me for any help or even asked if there is anything ready for use. I've gone farther and have a followup article that would be very hurtful to him because it places two members of the Warren Commission in opposition to him! Believe it or not members of the Commission itself who are on record in the strongest possible disagreement with the basis of his book. What do you think the impact of that would be if published now, before his paperback and long before his TV show you say is set for the anniversary period. Documented too.

What I am saying is not that he should not be fought, not at all. But that he should be fought effectively and not defensively, which it would be on that TV show or any addressing it, but by attacking him and his dishonest book before then, to put him on the defensive in advance.

Gary there is much in learning when to fight and how to fight and fighting successfully is not with any strategy-like plan.

I do not for a minute believe that Rusconi is going to face the fact that her subject-matter knowledge is limited to the vaporizing of that odd bag of con-

spiracy toehory theoreticians wh<sup>d</sup> fawned at th<sup>e</sup> great man's feet. They are so ignorant they do not even know that <sup>G</sup>arrison's book that <sup>S</sup>tone used was a phony throughout. Or that <sup>M</sup>arrs could not be more ignorant of the fact or of even what he wrote about, those theories he got so very wrong so very often. Not do I believe that <sup>S</sup>tone will tell himself that he <sup>r</sup>eally knows nothing at all about the subject except what is theoretical and can be vaporized as I think Posner will be prepared to do.

Even if an occdasional finger of his is chopped off, that will not be his end. The only chopping that can mean anything is at the ankles. And I have done that and the rest of you together not only cannot do that, you are none of you in a position to think of trying to do it. You do not know enough.

Why when it is available you(pl) have no interest in it and instead are doing your own <sup>P</sup>erry <sup>M</sup>asonry I cannot understand if the sole purpose is to expose him and his evil.

It is ~~availble~~ available to Stone now and now is the time to fight that <sup>J</sup>udent <sup>R</sup>at <sup>P</sup>osner. And I ask nothing for it.

It presents no real trouble for those in a position to do it for what I have written, at length and in detail, to be published, when the seeking of the publication, which I shall do, is so difficult for me in my present condition. I do think that nobody, not Stone and not any around him, have expressed ~~to~~ such interest, is a reflection of their lack of understanding of what I ~~do~~ have done and why and of their egos. They yearn so much to do what they cannot do and their ~~y~~ yearning is so great they cannot even think clearly.

My typing is awful and there is nothing I can do about it. I <sup>had</sup> ~~am~~ having a student retype the article I refer to. She has done one. I have ~~it~~ <sup>now</sup> and <sup>need</sup> to find time to read and correct it and then try to get it placed. I'll do that. But it would be much better of someone like Stone, who I'm confident wants nothing to do with me, were to do it. People who fight for the same thing and do that unselfishly do that cooperatively if they have no ego interest in what they fight for, if they fight to win, not for personal ~~gloty~~ <sup>glory</sup>.

When Stone was offended by <sup>L</sup>arner's Post article he wrote the Post an incredibly stupid article he asked be published. They he <sup>9</sup> thought about it and threatened to sue them. They reached an accomodation in which the <sup>F</sup> Post agreed to publish a new article he would submit in return for which he'd not sue. When that article appeared, and it is what Stone and all his so-called experts evolved, it was shot through with silly, stupid mistakes. I wrote him about them. After he got it Rusconi replied, <sup>He</sup> letter was a little on the nasty side but she also asked if there were not something we could do to get together. That can have been only a solicitation to be bribed. I wrote her that I wanted nothing of them but that they were still welcome to anything in my files. My point in particular here is that all of them together, when they have time and ~~g~~ can go over what they do,

~~cannot~~ <sup>cannot</sup> even then be factual in what they evolve collectively. So what do you think will emerge if Stone ~~confronts~~ <sup>confronts</sup> a Posner who can be expected to be well prepared and who did learn something about the official fact to be able to write himself around it. Do you really think that he will be alone? I think knowledge will get around and he'll be well prepared with many willing to prepare him. And I do not mean any Delins.

As I understood it what you outlined to me in some excitement is a doomed project, as I've tried to indicate. It will at best be inadequate and incomplete and Stone will not be able to handle Posner who, with a single <sup>Stone</sup> mistake, can have a field day. And will he make Stone look like hell! At the worst of possible times for him, too.

The time to go after him is now, when there is a book that although so much less than that I did is there for him to face and to be challenged to face. That is the way to begin to fight him, making his <sup>face</sup> what he cannot face. <sup>That</sup> ~~is~~ is also the way for Stone's purposes if I understood you having to do with the release of his movie.

I've taken this time from my own work in an effort to be helpful and to try to persuade you and those with you to give what you are up to some <sup>thought</sup> ~~thought~~ to ask yourselves if there is not a better and much safer way to <sup>do</sup> ~~way~~ what you want to do and a much better time for doing it. I am ready to make all that I've done available with ~~is~~ no quid pro quo.

Sincerely,