

for 78-0322

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JFK assassination records - James Powell

someone else

In my previous appeal from this withholding I informed you that the FBI had provided/  
on what amounts to an exclusive basis a photograph taken by Powell and included in one or  
more requests of more than a decade ago. In substantial of my allegation, that while this  
picture and other records required withheld from me one Fred Newcomb had been provided with  
a print, I attach the internal FBI record reflecting this.

My request remains without compliance and you have not acted on my appeal.

To refresh your recollection, Powell was an Army Intelligence agent who was at the  
scene of the crime. When he entered the building from which the fatal shots allegedly  
were fired he was confined there for a while by the police. He was equipped with a camera.

He filed reports. I do not know whether he took more than one picture but it is  
hard to imagine that an intelligence agent would not when there was nothing to stop him  
and ample reason for taking photographs.

The Army reportedly destroyed not only all records relating to Powell but all relating  
to the assassination of the President.

However, the FBI did obtain copies of Powell's reports and other information from  
the intelligence unit of which he was part.

My request included photographs and reports.

My request was made at a time when a cash deposit was required. My check was cashed  
and for years I heard nothing. When I testified to so many ignored requests in C.A. 75-  
1996, about September 1975, this was a request I included. It is also on the list I  
provided to your office. Last year the FBI sent me a duplicate of the picture provided to  
Newcomb. I again appealed. In addition to remitting the appeal to you I also wrote the  
FBI. It has not responded.

Moreover, in the interim, the House assassins committee has made additional uses of  
the same information, in public.

The withheld information is not included in the records provided from the Dallas files.

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