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Dear Mitchell Maglio,

Thanks to your SASE this letter separate from the books, which should go out in the morning.

If you had given me Powers full name and the college address + might have written him. Or if you'd rather, I'll write him though you to be certain there is no harm he can do th girls who work for you and are his students. Either way, and I think through you so you can show it to the girls, please give me his full name and address. Whether or not I write and you (pl) decide to give him the letter.

If it were not that the girls could suffer I have a friend who is a friend of someone of Newsday who might be interested.

What you say in your letter is all I need to answer or address his position.

With regard to the computer service and any comment you make anywhere, feel free. Do whatever you'd like. I think that Compuserve was intimidated by the threats of libel. I know that Lifton and Posner made them. I have copies of them but they would not be easy for me to dig out. Compuserve does not want to defend lawsuits. It costs even to win spurious suits.

For those who cannot find Case Lppen, if they call Carroll & Graf, 260 Fifth, perhaps they can tell them of a store in their area. Our local Walden has them. I understand that B. Dalton has called them back, I think to make space for advertised new books.

If as I doubt there is anything from Posner, I'll appreciate a copy. Or any attacks on me. For file.

I do the letters as soon as I can, sometimes as now with too much haste, not to let them accumulate.

Thanks and best wishes,

Hardy

September 24, 1994

**To: Harold Welsberg
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**From: Mitchell Maglio
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Dear Mr. Welsberg,

Thank you so much for your prompt reply to my last letter. I am enclosing a money order to cover the cost of Post Mortem and Photographic Whitewash. I look forward to studying them in depth upon their arrival. Over the next few months I intend to order all six of your books as well as Oswald in New Orleans.

To answer your question about the college professor I mentioned in my last letter. I went back and quizzed my girls about him and the circumstances involving his class. Professor Powers conducts a class called American Myths and Controversies at the College of Staten Island. He assigned two books dealing with the Kennedy Assassination. One as you know was Case Closed, the other was Garrison's On The Trail of The Assassins. He told his students to read Posner, but only to skim Garrison. He told his students in no uncertain terms that Posner's version of the events in Dealy Plaza was correct and that they were expected to promote his argument in their final paper in order to get a good grade. He seems to have gone out of his way to downplay any book that argued that J.F.K. was killed as the result of a conspiracy. Although I have never met this professor, I let him know through the girls what I thought of his teaching ethics. I sent along an offer to speak to him and his class about the Assassination at any time. I did not want him to take it out on my employees however, so I didn't push it. Needless to say, my offer and messages were never answered. I don't know the man, and he may really believe that LHO acted alone in the assassination. This does not, however excuse the fact that he tried to tell his students what to think and that he seems to be unwilling to give a fair hearing to anyone else's point of view or research.

Another event related to the assassination recently came to my attention, that may interest you. As I said in my last letter, I have started an assassination discussion group on America Online, a computer "information

superhighway service". Apparently the group on Compuserve was shut down by that service. No concrete explanation was given to the people over there. Funny how, with all the more recent controversial issues that are openly discussed on Compuserve every day, they chose to shut down the J.F.K. board. I wonder why we scare so many people if all we are is a bunch of "conspiracy nuts" with no evidence to back our claims.

With your permission, of course, I'd like to tell the people in my group how to order your books. There are several who have read Case Open and are as impressed with your work as I am. Others have had less success in finding it. I can send the information over private E-Mail if you'd rather I didn't use the public forum. Let me know as I'd like to do all I can to see that your audience continues to grow.

Sincerely,


Mitchell Maglio