

Dear Howard,

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Things stay hectic but are getting done. Once the book is in manufacture there is a whole new series of time-consuming needs, including a mailing and effort at other promotions. Litigation, several appearances and I think I've written you about the important one, with Belin, at Vanderbilt.

It is about this that I write now, while the waxer heats and prior to the coming of the delayed mail. In the hope that you have the 26 and my books with you and that Duane can find a little time for xeroxing.

What I'd like to do is what I did with Liebler: handle Belin as a lawyer and in terms of the work of which he was part. Restrict myself to this. I was at my worst with Liebler but it was enough to shut him up until now.

I think I asked if you have the Givens FBI report. What I'd like to do is compare the actual evidence with the representation of it and not argue. Let it speak for itself. I'd like to do this with what I have on Whaley in WWI. That ought to bring the house down. The lineups, affidavit, cab trip and time reconstruction and clothes. Belin did not examine him but he did Benavides and was part of the time (Tippit) reconstruction. So I'd like the pages of the quotes I use in handling Benavides and I have the Bowley affidavit Belin ignored. Then Baker, with the exchange with Dulles, the time reconstruction, the part about Oswald couldn't have used the front steps cause he ain't supposed to and the different versions of Baker's statement. Of course if you have copies of the proofs and the book on the wrong exhibit, fine.

My purpose is to stick to what has been published, that he has had ample opportunity to answer over the years, to do this largely from what I published so early but to have this for backstopping and to wave around - offer him to read to the people.

I think I'll take a few things relating to the Rockefeller Commission, too.

What I'll do is address the manner of the investigation - how lawyers are without an adversary and Belin personally on this. To his face. If he should duck out I'll have it and use it as the explanation of why. I'm told he'll not duck. He has refused before.

If there is no time, OK. If there is, it could be helpful. I'll stick to the condensations in the three books because I won't forget Carolyn Arnold.

It would be good to have the pages where LHO said he saw Junior and where Junior says he walked past at that time, too.

I'm hoping there will be provisions for taping because I won't have time. Maybe Bud can get a local to do it if the school doesn't. He comes from Nashville.

I'll be making a appearance of which you'll be part. Playing a tape of your Md. speech, where Dave teaches. I've told them you and or/Floyd have copies and can provide one. You should have a dub for lending around. I'll ask Floyd to make a couple. He called Monday morning, was to have called back, and hasn't.

Jim is pushed for time and is behind on the Ray appeal. What I've read, more than 60 pages, is fine. Thanks whether or not Duane can do this with your help. Meaning thanks to both. In haste,