

Dear Mr. Weisberg,

My name is Zach Rosen. I'm almost 17, and I was born in 1984. Though I wasn't even born until 21 years after the assassination, it is one of the defining moments of my life. Of course, I'm referring to the assassination of President Kennedy. I first became interested in the controversy surrounding the crime after seeing the movie *JFK*. Now, I'm aware of the great inaccuracies of the movie, but it was that movie that got me interested. After I saw the movie, I read *On the Trail of the Assassins*, and *Crossfire*. I came to the realization that the government was being less than truthful about what happened that day. It really affected me because it shattered most of my faith in the government. It may have happened nearly forty years ago, but I believe its affects are still with us today. The more recent scandals such as Watergate, Iran/Contra, etc. all probably are outgrowths of the same group that removed President Kennedy. While I am in no way qualified to investigate or publish on the subject, it remains a great area of interest to me.

After I finished reading those first two books, the subject went dormant in my mind for a while. Then, when I started 11th grade, I began my favorite class: US History. My favorite classes have always been history, even since junior high. This year, I was very much looking forward to what my teacher thought of the assassination. I asked him, and he told me he accepted the official version, that Lee Harvey Oswald was the lone killer. I told him that I didn't agree, and he directed me to that infamous book entitled *Case Closed*, by Gerald Posner. It was through this book that I first learned of your work in assassination research. I began by reading *Case Open*, because it corresponded with the other book I was reading. I am now in the process of reading *Never Again!*, and I also bought *Selections from Whitewash*. I've tried to find *Oswald in New Orleans* and *Post Mortem*, but I haven't been able to locate copies yet. I've come to realize from reading your books that you are probably at the head of the field when it comes to assassination research.

I've wanted to write something about the assassination for a long time. I've tried to explain to my friends and parents the forces behind the crime, but I think that I've been less than successful. I sort of gave up on it until I spoke with my history teacher about the subject. It renewed my enthusiasm, and I set out to, as best as I could with my limited resources, research the assassination and write a paper about it. When I finish, I have no plans to publish or widely circulate it. I expect a very small amount of people will actually read it, among them my immediate family, my friends, my history teacher, and possibly but not likely my classmates.

I've bought a few books on the subject, and have done internet research. I found a website that is dedicated to the lone-nut theory. It has provided some valuable insight into the "solution" that the government espouses. A lot of the arguments they give were addressed in your *Case Open* book. In that book, you say that the published version I read is condensed, in order to make it more accessible. You also say that a full version is available. Could you tell me how I could obtain a copy of the full version? I would be immensely grateful. A couple of other things you mentioned in *Case Open* and *Never Again!* interested me. First, you wrote that you have in your possession a previously classified Warren Commission transcript in which Allen Dulles tells the commission that CIA officers are perfectly willing to lie under oath if the truth would hurt the Agency. Second, you also state you have a government document that reveals Oswald had a TOP SECRET security clearance, something that any normal Marine enlisted man wouldn't have. I am a high school student, so therefore I have no time or

money to make a trip to Washington DC and visit the National Archives and obtain copies of these documents myself. I'm also encountering some significant problems in obtaining copies of your other books. If it's not a huge bother, and if you are willing, would you send me copies of these documents? If necessary, I would be perfectly willing to pay reproduction and delivery costs. If you are willing, just send me a note telling me how much it will cost, and I will send the money. I would appreciate anything else you could add to aid me. My address is the same as the return address on the envelope. In case you would rather e-mail, my e-mail address is "maestro876@hotmail.com". Also, I bought from amazon.com the official copy of the Zapruder film. It is very helpful and has immense evidentiary value. One question I have, though, is why does the film show the front of the president's head exploding, and not the back? I would be very appreciative if you could provide an answer. One other thing: I can't find copies of the original 26 volumes of the Warren Report, the volumes containing the sworn testimony and exhibits. I've checked the public library, as well as the local university libraries. I can't find them anywhere. I managed to locate a website that has some transcripts of testimony, but not all, and it has none of the exhibits. Could you provide any insight as to where I could find the volumes? Once again, I would be immensely grateful.

Thank you for reading my letter. Even if you are unable to help me, I am thankful that you would spend the time to read my letter and consider my request. Thank you for listening to me, and thank you for all your work on behalf of the country.

Sincerely,



Zach Rosen