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Dear Mr. Schatner,

The list of our books you requested is enclosed.

Past 80 and in impaired health I do try to respond to all letters. What I say often is not appreciated but I also try to be honest. People do care and they do deserve honest response.

Yours is a thoughtful letter. I get quite a few from people of your age, too. Since Case Open appeared most of those who write make it a point of telling me their age. Most say they feel as you do, correctly, that the JFK assassination was the beginning of major changes. As you will see in NEVER AGAIN! there was an immediate conspiracy not to investigate the crime itself. That means there are no leads for private persons to follow. This means, too, that any book pretending to solve the case cannot and does not and they all in varying degrees do mislead and misinform the people. Not one of those writing such books has taken the time to master the available official evidence which despite all the efforts to avoid the truth did bring to light what disproves the official assassination mythology. As you will see in my books which are based on the official evidence only.

Livingstone in particular is driven to make things up to avoid facing the fact that he has been wrong from the first. The average reader is not able to perceive that he makes it all up. He claims the Zapruder film was faked because it proves he was wrong. One of many examples. He is a pathetic case and is not really rational.

My sole objection to Oliver Stone is that he lied to the people in announcing his movie in telling them it would be nonfiction when it was fiction. He has the right to say anything he wants to say as fiction but he does not have the right to deceive and mislead the people in telling them what he says is not fiction when it is.

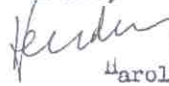
Please excuse my typing and writing. They cannot be any better.

The people need to know the truth on all major issues and a coup'd'etat is that.

If we cannot tell them the truth about whose fingers were in triggers we can tell them the truth about what their government did and we can try to make the government start being truthful. That alone could have a very good effect on the country.

Thanks for your kind comments.

Best wishes,


Harold Weisberg

2-29-96

Mr. Weisberg:

I finished reading Case Open and now realize why no one in the media asked you about your thoughts on Gerald Posner. You had the goods on him.

I must admit, this is the first book of yours I read, and I would like to read more which is one of the reasons I'm writing. I would very much like to purchase your earlier books.

The other reason I'm writing is just to say I'm one of the many young people who wasn't even a thought in their parent's minds when the assassination occurred who care about what happened on November 22, 1963.

Everything in our government changed that day and it's a shame that most people don't give a damn. People are so apathetic today, I feel if tomorrow the government issued a statement about what really happened and what it knew, people would nod their heads, say "oh", and then go back to playing Sega or whatever else they were doing. It makes you wonder why the government hasn't done this already.

I don't know if you personally reply to all your letters but I'm curious as to who you think are the other legitimate critics. I've read 19 books on the assassination so far (including Posner's) and I'm curious as to what you think of Harrison Edward Livingstone. He's said some rather disturbing things about the autopsy photos and the Zapruder film (even that some of the frames are animations).

I know you don't think too highly of Oliver Stone, but I have to credit him as being the one that got me interested and raised my awareness of the assassination. After seeing JFK, it made me give a damn. I've been reading everything I can get my hands on about the assassination ever since. I think Stone is responsible for a lot of us young "kids" (I'm 25) getting involved in finding out what really happened that day.

It's strange that at my age, I feel I care more about something that happened over thirty years ago than I do with all the current problems today. But that's probably because I feel what happened back in 1963 is the root of all our problems today. If we can come to some kind of closure then we can really deal with what's going on today.

Thank you for keeping the struggle alive, even at your 80 plus years. We need more people like yourself who really care. I know I'll be doing my share when I'm in my 80's as I try to do in my 20's now.

Sincerely,



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