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Dear Harold,

There's been no word from you for weeks. What has stilled your typewriter? Not continuing poor health, I hope. Was it the U.S. Supreme Court which refused to give you access to the spectrographic evidence in the assassination of John F Kennedy, now buried in the Archives?

Were you disappointed? What led you to believe you could enlist the Court in your campaign to uncover the truth about the assassination of the late president? For that had to be the premise and aspiration of your recourse to the hazards of the American system of justice.

Has it not been your belief Warren, while Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, had been a principal in the cover up of the cause, authors, and executors of the assassination; the frame-up of Oswald as the sole killer; and the conscious falsification of history? And did you not think the Court a silent witness and, consequently, an accessory to this travesty of justice?

Was it not unreasonable, therefore, to anticipate or even hope for a favorable outcome of your suit? Had you not realized the Supreme Court, like all the other branches and agencies of the government, remain bound by the policy initiated by president Johnson during the night of November 22-23, 1963: to denude the assassination of his predecessor of political cause and significance and allow the police and media frame up of Oswald as the malcontent sole killer to proceed? And that Warren's chairmanship of Johnson's commission, probably foresightedly, foreclosed adverse action by the Supreme Court?

Was it not your understanding establishmentarian interest thereafter shaped judicial decisions, rather had to shape them, by the Supreme Court in matters touching the assassination of the former head of state? Do you not believe political logic and underlying economic interest outweigh law?

What in the historic record of the Supreme Court, from its affirmation of chattel slavery and arrogation of power to "settle by judicial decision the peace and harmony of the county;" through its non-role in exposure of the conspiracy by government officials to abet and falsify the assassination of Lincoln; to its refusal to outlaw undeclared presidential war in southeast Asia, including the Phoenix assassination program - what deluded you into thinking and illuded you into hoping this establishmentarian pillar of the ~~of the~~ world-hegemonic, American imperialist government would lend a hand to a powerless, penniless, debt-ridden, frustrated, secretive investigator seeking minutiae of evidentiary proof the Court's brother branches of government and its prestigious, honor-laden, retired Chief Justice were steeped in villainy? What??

I would have tried to persuade you your suit was foredoomed and to urge you not to spend time, money, effort, and hope in a hopeless enterprise had I been given the opportunity, as once before I attempted, vainly unfortunately, to dissuade Vincent

Salandria who had childish illusions about the "honesty" of Garrison, from continuing his collaboration with that demagogue in his poisoned attack on the Federal government. Vincent refused to understand that a local component of the complex nation-wide power establishment could not use the "justice system" to unmask the criminality of the Federal government. When later he became disillusioned he developed the foolish thesis the republic and the capitalist system of the United States had been overthrown by the CIA acting in concert with the American military and Soviet intelligence. That fool of an editor, Ed Berkeley, printed Vincent's mishmash in Computers and Automation and refused to publish an analysis of it on the ground the analysis was not factual. The Supreme Court entertained your suit while you refused my offer of cooperation and would not discuss anything at all with me.

But perhaps the failure of your suit can serve us well. Unless I misread the situation you are burdened no longer by an overriding need for Nixon-like, personal confidentiality of your data and ideas. In denying you access to the data you sought from the government, the government, ironically, enlarged your First Amendment rights; it freed you to discuss all matters pertaining to the Kennedy assassination with your peers.

Let us begin our discussion anew. If you still object to examination of the JFK autopsy and Dr. Burkley's connection with it - which I would very much like to do - please feel free to pursue any issue. I will respond.

I hope you are well.

Appreciatively,

Thomas