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Asst. Dist. Atty. Andrew Sciambra
District Attorney
Parish of Orleans
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New Orleans, La.

Dear Mr. Sciambra:

For some considerable time I have been considering writing you this letter but did not want to dignify a gross stupidity in regard to your personal operations in a matter vital to honest decent Americans.

You are well aware of the fact that in June of 1967 I communication with Mr. James Garrison on matters which proved to be of some interest to him. That further I discontinued this line of communication as this and other information ending up floating all over the United States. It is my understanding that defense-proponents for Clay Shaw have been turning up with copies of highly secret materials from the D. A.'s staff and it is my understanding that with the right contacts on Bourbon St. anyone can get this information. This is your business not mine but it is shameful.

The most shameful thing is the fact that without knowing me or what I personally stand for you stated that I had sent a Joel Palmer to New Orleans with the Perrin case as a trap etc. This is a whole pot of hogwash as I have never met Mr. Palmer and the last time I was in New Orleans was in 1946 as a Naval Officer. Somewhere the machinations of Macciavellian conflict have affected the thinking regarding the solution of a matter of grave public concern. There is no question that you and some of the staff have let Jim Garrison down. The value of the Perrin matter is not important what is important is the fact that you have allowed yourself to become trapped by the opportunists and freeriders who fancy themselves as expert in these matters.

I take personal issue with your unresearched and unfounded irresponsible statements regarding my motives in the matter you have under consideration. If I were in New Orleans I would invite you out into the alley. There was a time in the history of Louisiana when men settled such differences early in the morning on a grassy plain. What frightening me most of all in this matter is that someone as irresponsible and wild as you are has an important position in this very important case. I feel sorry for the people of Louisiana and for the honest decent people who still believe in the truth in the United States.

There is a small town editor in Midlothian, Texas by the name of Penn Jones who has stuck his neck out a mile to see the truth live. I want you to understand that there are some of us who live by the principle that truth is the life blood of our democracy. For your information I was given an offer of a comfortable position and an amount approximating \$ 50,000 in an area related to your interest. At the time I turned down this attractive offer I was in dire need of funds for the family basics and I turned it down. So you can see that some of us still live by values upon which no price can be set. This is the reason why your irresponsible comments regarding my interest concern me. A man who is going to be big in this great land is not going to wildly accuse someone when he does not have the slightest ground for such an accusation.

There is little question in my mind that somewhere in your travels in this intricate merrass you have the possibility of coming up a winner. Information indicates that Mr. Garrison may have stepped back from the case for reasons of healthand other reasons. I hope for the sake of honest men in America that this is not the case.

In closing all I can state that my observation of this case and its progress indicates only two possibilities in my mind. It has either been fixed or up to recently where trejan horses have come in in from outside....just plain stupidity

An honest man can correct his errors.....the other.... all we can do is pray for honesty and the truth.

Sincerely,

Jules Strise
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