

Dear Jim,

5/27/77

Howard has caught one of my careless errors and had made some worthwhile suggestions re Tague and the curbstone.

In WW I refer to the Dallas UAS in connection with this, letter of 7/7/74. HR notes that there was an earlier letter conveying the Dillard picture and suggests getting it. He is correct but I'd broaden this to all records relating to that curbstone and missed shot. There might be something else in it.

I'd appreciate it x if you'd ask for this by phone rather than my writing for it. They can add it to my overdue order and we can save the minimum charge. You might also ask how long it will be before they can fill that orderx. Must be about two months now.

Howard suggests that Dillard may have distrusted the FBI. I think otherwise, that the Commission lawyers recognized FBI stonewalling and used Sanders office to by-pass. If I am right this can have 75-226 significance. We need these records for 226.

My 5/17/77 memo refers to the SS and the X-ray viewers as in connection with showing them to the Bethesda doctors. I was wrong by a month. It was the Dallas-Connally doctors.

However, when the Secret Service comes up with this non-withholdable record after all these years and we know they showed the JFK X-rays to the Commission staff and some doctors, question is why is there no similar JFK record from SS?

In connection with my notes on the Alvarez article Howard reminds me he had given me a copy of this piece at Stevens Point. I do not have it. If you or Dave you keep it because I have another now. HR then noted the ERDA involvement, too.

What was ERDA doing supporting such a project?

Howard is moving as of 6/1, the day after the first part of his bars. His address will be 5885 Edenfield Road, Apt b-29, Jacksonville, Fla. 32211.

Best,

5/22/77, Howard Roffman

re Tague, the Missed Shot and the Missed Evidence

I've just come across something that had completely slipped my mind, but which may be important. Perhaps you already have it. If so, I am unaware.

At pages 6-7 of Accessories After the Fact, Sylvia discusses the role of ~~MYEYXA~~ Assistant U.S. Attorney for Dallas Martha Jo Stroud in sending the Dillard picture of the mark on the crab to the WC. (By the way, I'd recommend rereading pp. 5-8 for an excellent analysis and chronology of the Tague affair.) At some unspecified date before 7/7/64, Stroud sent a communication to the WC transmitting the Dillard photo. The only reference to this communication is in the first graph. of Shaneyfelt Ex. 26. The WC did not print the Stroud letter.

Have you gotten the Stroud letter from the Archives? I think it could be important. How did Stroud get involved at all? Perhaps Dillard went to her. But then why not to the FBI? PERHAPS he distrusted them. Even knowing the date that Stroud sent the picture would be important.

HR-Further reur 5/22/77 on Tague and Missed Shot: I have gone over what why Sylvia wrote about this. Nothing new. I'd forgotten the Stroud letter of which you'd reminded me. There is more on the pictures Tague took. They were movies. They also disappeared. He believes some kid stuff, not black bag job. I'll have that in the affidavit for the court. What SM misses is that Hoover said he could not associate missed shot with one that hit car. I hope to have some more when I return. Best HW 6/1/77