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Mr. Mortimer B. Zuckerman
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Dear Mr. Zuckerman:

I have been an avid reader of your magazine for over 25 years, since I was 15 years old. I have usually found it to be the most accurate of the news magazines.

In your August 30, 1993 edition of U.S. News and World Report, you ran a special double issue on Gerald Posner's Case Closed. I believe Mr. Posner's book to be inaccurate and full of mis-statements and this issue of your magazine as well.

In 1994, assassination researcher Harold Weisberg, wrote a book entitled Case Open. Weisberg accuses Mr. Posner of distorting the truth, to put it mildly. I have read all of Mr. Weisberg's books and have found them to be extremely accurate.

Unless I have missed it, I do not believe your magazine has run one word discussing Case Open and the controversy surrounding the lack of accuracy of Case Closed, including allegations that Mr. Posner claims to have interviewed people to whom he never spoke. I believe you owe it to your readers to at least discuss this controversy.

I suggest you contact Professor David Wrone, a history professor at the University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point, who has been quoted in your magazine in the past. I might also suggest that you contact Professor Gerry Ginocchio of Wofford College, Spartanburg, South Carolina, who is probably the expert on the lack of accuracy of Case Closed.

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In conclusion, I feel that to maintain your usual balance that U.S. News and World Report should at least make your readers aware of this controversy.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Bill Neichter". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the typed name.

William L. Neichter

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