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7/17/72-Bob Smith: Your conjecture that Murray Chotiner could be a Caddy-claimed client is not far out. However, I can't visualize him in knowing association with the Cuban foot-soldiers in this caper. Hunt, McCord, perhaps even Barker, yes. I take it that the address of C's apt, 25 & E is more than 3 blocks from the Watergate and less than 1/4 mile from the references to the court papers. I think it would be good to have copies of all these papers and to go over them with care, the interests of reporters being more limited, as is their knowledge of the cats involved...That C had an "affiance" with Ball is not exceptional in itself, for both are prominent lawyers. It would depend on what was involved. Much more relevant to me without this knowledge is that he is the original dirtier of the already Dirty Dick. I think the Checkers speech is his baby, so was the red-baiting campaigns. It is fascinating that Caddy claimed lawyer-client privilege on whether he saw his client within 1/4 mile of the Watergate on 6/16 or 17, Fri or Sat. However, those fancy diggins can also hold other such people, and it would require identifying each one and using the city directory to get them all. Some might be even more provocative. As I remember it, there are 17 Washington blocks to the mile in DC, so he is saying there is a difference in about 1 block. I think it is also a reasonable deduction that this means straight-line three blocks, not walking, but the formulation is such Caddy could later argue. Note also the question includes the entire day before arrest and 2 1/2 hours after. Thus by its formulation, if it is C's place, that need mean no more than that Hunt took counsel from him and he contrived the lawyer-client deal by asking Caddy to "represent" him. There is no ordinary privilege, I think, in the place of a meeting with a client, but there is on the content. "in can say better. Unless the place is incriminating or bears on the crime alleged. Have you given thought to the meaning of the map with the route reported to be traced from the scene to 20 & E, which might be 20 and F, which might mean where to turn to go to Caddy's, 2121 P? If you get these papers and they are not too voluminous, I'd appreciate a set and recommend one for Koch, who has seen things I don't and whose memory is now superior to mine. and if you are spending any time on this, I suggest getting pictures of Hunt should be a priority, from classmate, alumni news if not elsewhere. I believe he is Frank Bender, Dennis-Barker. Dustjacket books firm copyright word is, perhaps. Also, I don't believe the depositions Wild as really expects to be able to take are from the five. 5th. amendment. Thanks,