

*Finley, Chi Daily News*

7/17/72 Dear Larry, In connection with the best-known of my caged birds, I'd appreciate a message check on one Ralston Schoolfield, former Chattanooga judge disbarred 1968 after proceedings that began 8/68. He achieved earlier notice as counsel for John Kaspar and was the subject of interest to a Senate committee investigating crime (organized) in 1957, I suppose Kefauver's. Because of his racism and violence, if the black papers have any kind of morgues, perhaps the Defender or others known to you may have things. It took two months for Jim to get to it, but he finally checked the NYTimes index, and it was productive. If it turns up what it should, maybe you'd make a copy to keep on hand for yourself. I may at some time ask you to show it to somebody there, and I'll also then know what to fill in from what we'll get from other sources.

Bob, who knows Murray Chotiner's unlisted apt address, notes that when Caddy was asked before the grand jury if he'd seen Hunt on 6/16 or 17 within 3 blocks of The Watergate, Caddy said no, but when asked about 1/4 mile invoked lawyer-client privilege. Caddy's apt is about 12 blocks from Watergate. Before grand-jury Caddy also claimed Hunt and a "Mr. X" as clients. A reactionary, hanging administration hack of a federal judge has found him in contempt but sentence is deferred until after appeal is heard. Bob G has been silent, I suppose in part due to convention, so I've not told him.

Presuming no interest, I also sent him no copy memo sent you yesterday. I asked for its return because I couldn't make enough clear copies. There are some "buffs" I'd like to read it to at least alert them to interests.

I have difficulty imagining a Republican fed. atty would ask these questions if he expected them to lead to Chotiner. His is a large apt complex where many famous may live. I think the small will fry only, if any. It may well be the design for the more liberal appeals court to rule in the expectation they will hold existence of privilege. I just can't imagine the Mitchellist going after one of their own on this, esp. one so close to Nixon, one of the original, dirtier and trickier of the Trick-Dirty Dick creation

If you make any comment on the memo, appreciate your using your office NCR paper so I can distribute copies among a few of the still-trustworthy with whom I am in touch.

If you have time and interest, perhaps there is in your Cuban community a unit of the 2506 Bridge from whom you might get description "Frank Bender". Or Hunt's pictures from any source, including Brown classbook, annual news, etc. Best all thanks, BW

If any black Bay Area papers, perhaps Hal would get to see their morgues. If he hasn't right contacts and you talk to him, remind him of KDIA's Louis Freeman. H

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