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Dear Dr. Mecht,

Perhaps you will not consider it a significant development, but I regard the belated release of the agreement between the decement itself. family and the Ceneral Services Administration as that. If you do not have a copy (it appeared in the New York Times of 1/6, but I am missing the first part of the story) I can send you a photocopy.

You are a lawyer and I am not, but I regard this as still another rather poor contract in which Hobert Kennedy got involved. This, I think, is strange for a lawyer, particularly an Attorney General. In itself it makes me wonder about his faelings at the times of the contracts (that with Manchester was astoundingly indefinite) and about who he depended upon.

The statements indicate that Murke Marshall drafted the agreement. I rather suspect a federal lawyer did.

Because the arrangement was so contrary to the real interests of the family, even to the emotional involvement of Mrs. Kanaday, I have wondered about this agreement. I do not know who alse, if anyone, attempted to get it, but I have.

Among those things I point out to Mr. Marshall, please note the blank or improperly exposed film. This recuires explanation, for there can be no doubt of the commetence of those taking the pictures. In any event, with or without these films, the figures do not add up, as I pointed out in MHISTAR II, that long age.

When I have a response from Mr. Marshall, I'd like very much to be sole to file the suit I've planned since "ovember 1. I believe I am the first to contest the conditions of the return, and I think I am theonly one to have exhausted his administrative remedies more than once and to have laid the rest of the foundation for a suit. Because I am writing in the field and planned a book on this espect, written for about four months now, I think I can show damage over and above what others might allege, and I think I came, show the contract is an illegal one. I wish very much that I knew a lawyer who would and could take this case without fee, for I am new \$35,000 in debt and have no income, and not regard it as a meens of selling book, for if I were to win the suit there are some things I would not want to happen, that I think parhaps should not and could, following such a suit. I also think the suit opens up other things. Mew a good, bright young lawyer who does not have to worry about getting peid for every case? There are other espects of this that should and I think now can go to court, for there is more than one eres in which our society failed and must again begin to function. I think - he was a number of viable suits, one having good prospect of very large return.

Enc. letters to Burke Mershall and Dr. Behmer

Sincerely,

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Mr. Harold Weisberg Coq d'Or Press Route 7 Frederick, Maryland 21701

Dear Mr. Weisberg:

Thank you for your letter of January 16, 1968 and the information contained therein. I shall look forward to meeting with you and discussing these aspects of the case in more detail. I hope that the opportunity for such a get-together presents itself soon.

In the meantime, I hope that you will keep me apprised of any significant developments in this matter that is of so much interest to both of us.

With kind regards.

Sincerely,

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