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Dear Paul,

Sorry I've not been able to keep you up to date.

We did depose Frazier and Cunningham yesterday. The U.S. Marshal did not get around to serving the spectro agent, Gallagher. He called in to apologize and explain today.

We ran into some time-wasting and cost-raising problems but by and large the depositions went well and will make a valuable historical record aside from present values.

The first court reporter was sick and could work only until a replacement was available. The replacement turned out to be just back at work after a year of illness in which his notarial license expired. The renewal had not been approved, so he could not swear Frazier and we had to await one who could come for that only!

We'll depose Shaneyfelt and Gallagher after a time is worked out after a new Gallagher subpoena is issued. This will mean that we'll have at least one more day of depositions, maybe more.

However, we did also get the curbstone and Magic Bullet 399 there and get testimony on both. These things have to be confidential until after the transcripts are typed up, read and signed, filed and released by the judge.

The newest on the committee is a proposed deal in which Sprague gives up being staff director but remains chief counsel. If he accepts it I'll have less doubt that he is a fink. If that does not go through I suspect there will be a new resolution and O'Neill will appoint a new committee without Gonzalez, who continues to be stupid.

I hope you got to tape the Lou Gordon show. I have one tape, part of a longer tape on which someone also spoke to me. A sister who had never used a tape recorder tried but did not succeed. And I would like to give Jim one. Meanwhile my spare machine is out for repair.

I guess the only other news is that on a radio talk show I turned on someone who had been at the JFK autopsy and specified on the air some of the X-rays that are missing. I'm waiting to see if this person will come forward. There is the court martial threat you may recall from Post Mortem, where the missing X-rays also are reported.

We've had a break in the weather. It was very nice today. I took a walk in the morning and planned one for the afternoon but the phone ended that. It stayed busy. The ice was so thick that the pond and pool are still frozen but the lane, for all its stones, is like a sponge.

Hope you are well or have been on location. It's been a while.

Best,