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Dear Gary,

If my typing is worse than you remember, that is in part because I have to keep my left heel higher than my heart and because I'm more feeble after two hospitalizations for congestive heart and renal failure. The locals did not expect me to survive the second one last summer and ambulated me from this hospital to Hopkins, where I was for more than three weeks. (The Hopkins report to the local doctor who sent me there listed nine not inconsequential problems for which they evaluated and treated me.) So, I listen to my body, do what I can and continue to work but with less intensity and fewer hours.

Dave Wrono told me you have some connection with Oliver Stone. Who undoubtedly does not like me. I'd heard separately that Stone had tried to connect with Bill Pepper for a "ring" story but that Pepper would not. Pepper may if he gets to test fire the supposed rifle that supposedly fired the fatal shot be able to prove that it didn't. Which would not be all that new because I ~~did that several decades ago.~~ I was Ray's investigator. I conducted the investigation for the successful habeas corpus and then the investigations for the two weeks of evidentiary hearings that did not succeed because the judge was not going to face what he'd have had to face if he acted on the basis of the sworn evidence before him.

So, I have all that work and more, much more. I sued the hell out of the FBI, as you may recall. I got about 80,000 pages from about a decade of litigation. It includes a "solution" that can be used from FBI records and from the tape I have of it when I got that before I got those records from the FBI.

My part of preparing the case for those two weeks of hearings in federal district court in Memphis was to prove that Ray did not have effective assistance of counsel when his counsel was the most famous criminal lawyer of the era, Percy Foreman. I decided that the only way to do that was to try a minimum of what was alleged against Ray to show what Foreman could have done with little effort when he in fact made none. So, I got the witnesses put on an exculpatory case and the judge just decided as to begin with he had decided to decide. But I do have the official transcripts and much more that I got from the FBI. It never investigated the case, never claimed to, tried to keep what it had from the

local prosecution (w!!!!) which got only ~~one~~ of it after complaint to the DJ plus the FBI records that confirm what I'd doped out and this particular solution, Stone liking solutions and making them up. There are many phony claims to solution in the FBI's records but just about all were by those who made them up seeking

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a benefit in re^{turn}. Like the phony Russell Byers who the House assassins went for after h^{aving} his fiction fed it by the FBI. Byers was a professional felon. And he got his benefit.

If Stone can curb his predisposition to gild lilies there is a hell of a story that is not fiction and I am confident will not come out in court because Pepper has his own theories he is playing^{with} and there is little chance that Ray can go to trial because he is not up to it if he survives. His brother tells me they have a donor on death row who will be able to give his liver in May and that they have a doctor willing to do the operation.

FYI, what Stone does not say is that it was~~d~~ after he announced his JFK movie and stated he would tell the people who killed their President, why and how that I wrote him in detail telling him how he could not do that with Garrison and he ignored that for two months that I made the record that what he would do would be fiction, not nonfiction. As it was.

His experts were not subject-matter experts. They were theoreticians who did not know the material. And Garrison cribbed and enlarged on what he cribbed.

There was no Mr. X. Garrison made that up. He obviously was not Prouty, as Prouty and Stone say. Garrison also gave him a different function.

Garrison was a great tragedy.

Long story I won't take your time for.

If with no deal with Pepper Stone has not lost his King interest, there is the likelihood he'd want nothing to do with me. And frankly I'm uneasy about reality being "improved" upon, the reality being what it is.

But if he is interested, one thing he will not have to worry about is that I'd sue, today's news being that he is being sued. There is little chance I'd still be here.

If by any chance he is interested and sends someone it should be taped.

You may remember from Post Mortem that I was the first to tackle the FBI's lab. I did that in the King case, too. Without refutation. I have reasons not to believe Pepper's business with Jowers and the army. I have the FBI's records on Ray leaving Los Angeles on the trip that ended with King's assassination only after a man who was an FBI symbol informer on the east coast first phoned Ray and then went out to see him. Provocative? So much of the truth is!

Best,