

DRAFT Letter to Miller, Cassidy from Carlie Wells, DOJ

I am writing to seek an arrangement agreeable to your client whereby the JFK Library can identify and release under the JFK Act (with the donor's permission) any records relating to the Kennedy assassination that may be among the Sheridan records now in the possession of the JFK Library. Those records are identified in an inventory prepared by the Library and which you should have (*see* NS0762-785). Accordingly, I will have the JFK Library forward to you, for Mrs. Sheridan's consideration, a proposed deed of gift transferring legal custody of the Sheridan records to the Library. Legal transfer of the records from Mrs. Sheridan to the Federal Government will facilitate the Library's work in identifying, for public release, materials that would be of historical interest.

In addition, with time permitting, the Review Board would like to inspect the Sheridan materials at the Library to assist the Library staff in identifying any assassination records within the scope of the JFK Act. I have been advised that certain Review Board staff will be in Boston on September 2 and can make arrangements to inspect the Sheridan records at the Library on that day or the following day. To avoid any unnecessary disputes, I would like to obtain the explicit consent of your client for such a Review Board inspection.

Finally, on another matter, it is our understanding that Mr. Sheridan had retained a file entitled, "Assassinations: JFK and RFK." *See* NSO760. It is our understanding that this file was not included in the Sheridan records produced pursuant to the Review Board subpoena, nor is it part of the Sheridan materials with respect to which NBC is claiming a privilege. Accordingly, could you confirm with Mrs. Sheridan whether or not such a file exists. If such a file exists and has not been produced, we request that the original file be made available for inspection by the Review Board pursuant to the subpoena.

Thank you for your assistance in these matters.

Sincerely,

Carlotta Wells

cc: Amy Kruspky, NARA

Ronald G. Haron, ARRB

Stephanie Fawcett, JFK Library