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Mr. Leonard I. Weinglass  
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Dear Mr. Weinglass:

Thank you for your letter of June 20. I see no reason to wince at the question you posed. I have no objection to answering it in court, although I believe that I could suggest some additional lines of inquiry that may make my opinion more explicit to the court.

I have read the pages 796-806 of Exhibits D-11 and D-12 which you have sent to me. With regard to your client's examination in 1953, there is no evidence of psychosis and the report is consistent with a psychopathic individual. While the summary speaks of a thinking disorder, the evidence presented in the earlier sessions is not indicative of a psychosis. The phrase "contact with reality is poor" is too general a phrase to be of help. It is interesting that he did score on psychological tests of average intelligence.

The same conclusions are made explicit in the examination of August 1954.

I believe it would be very helpful to have a copy of the trial psychiatrist's report either in court or perhaps by deposition regarding the question as to whether he was aware that the client had been receiving psychotropic drugs in the weeks prior to the examination.

Thank you for the retainer. Perhaps it would be helpful to review the consultation fees. It was my statement that the charges for each court session of approximately one-half day would be \$200.00. I did not specify the amount for pre-trial consultations, since in most other cases this has not been an

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important element since the functions as an expert witness is for the purpose of presentation of data in court and the expression of an opinion there. In view of the time involved in our pre-trial meeting and in reviewing the records which you are submitting, as well as the probability that you will require a pre-trial meeting, I believe it would be more appropriate for you to be prepared for the usual fees on an hourly basis of \$50.00 an hour.

Sincerely yours,

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