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Record/Information/Dissemination Section

Records Management Division

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U.S. Department of Justice

Washington, D.C. 20535

Dear FOIA Officer:

 This is a request filed under the Freedom of Information Act.

 I request, in regard to the 2001 anthrax mailings, all email messages, laboratory notebooks, paper and computer files, and information about meetings and telephone conversations in September and October, 2001 of Dr. Bruce Ivins, USAMRIID.

In Para 53 of Richard L. Lambert v. Attorney General Eric Holder *et al.* in the US District Court for the Eastern District of Tennessee, filed April 2, 2015, Lambert, former head of the Amerithrax Task Force, refers to FBI’s “efforts to railroad the prosecution of Ivins in the face of daunting exculpatory evidence” and states that FBI’s public presentations of its case against Ivins were “replete with material omissions.”

 Lambert is an authoritative source, and there are many reasons to think that he is exactly right: FBI has seriously and unconscionably misled the public about Dr. Ivins. The American people have an unquestionable right to know everything that FBI knows about Ivins that relates to the anthrax mailings.

 I request that the records be released in tranches as they become available.

 I am a professional historian and retired foreign service officer with a publishing business, Scientia Press. I have done extensive research on the Amerithrax case, have written a number of articles at [www.scientiapress.com](http://www.scientiapress.com) about it, have organized a seminar on it, and have one of the main theories of the case. In view of the need of the American people for information about this case, I would place these records on the well-known Amerithrax case Website Case Closed as soon as I receive them so that researchers and the public can readily access them. For this purpose, I request that the records be provided in electronic format. I will continue to publish online articles and eventually will likely publish in print media on the case as well. I have a Ph.D in history from Cornell University and am the author of six books.

 I request a waiver of fees. As a scholar, I serve the public’s need for information about this important, controversial case. I have worked on it *pro bono* for years and expect to continue doing so.

 A compelling need to inform the public concerning actual or alleged federal government activity, with the goal of improving government operations, warrants expedited processing. The American people have an urgent need to know the information regarding Ivins in order to determine whether FBI failed to stop al Qaeda from carrying out the anthrax attacks, then claimed that an innocent Ivins was the mailer of the anthrax letters of 2001.

 Thank you for your consideration of my request.

Sincerely,

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