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Dear Mr. Ray, (or should I say stupid)

I don't know what you hoped to gain by changing attorneys, but you have made the most stupid move of your entire life. Time is the only thing you could have hoped to gain and in trying to gain that time, you lost a case - more than likely your life - on a chance and on a case that was already won for you by Mr. Hanes. By "won" I mean public sympathy. The public will not feel the same any more, because they, as I do, feel that such a case, even with circumstantial evidence would not be dismissed under any circumstances. I have talked to the general public and they are now saying that you were put up to this by your higher up, and they no longer feel that you were the innocent victim of a conspiracy, but probably the main instigator of the whole thing. No matter how many times you change attorneys or try to delay this case, it will eventually come up for trial and you will have lost. The public feels that due to your rash and unstable actions, that you were capable of committing such a crime and as I said before, Mr. Hanes had the case won for you on public opinion and in cases as this one, that is the most important of all. Maybe you don't feel this way, but this public will be the ones to judge you for this crime - guilty or not. With Mr. Hanes, you had a chance to be acquitted, but now you are batting <u>zero</u>. Mr. Foreman may be a good attorney, but he does not have the quality that Mr. Hanes has with the public. I heard Mr. Foreman today and with the qualities he has, I assure you he will not win any contest with his charm. The public is now acting adverse to you and it is going to be a lot tougher than you think to get a jury panel who is unprejudiced and unbiased due to your actions in this matter. I have also read in the paper that Mr. Schrieber states "that you tend to dominate the defense strategy. Who are you? a nothing! to think that you can tell attorneys how to run their business when they have spent their lives learning and working with the law. Well Mr. Bigshot, I think you have had your last fling this time because no amount of money or delays can change history and your time has come. The talk is that you would sell your own mother out for a nickel and you know what - I believe it. You well proved yourself in Mr. Schrieber's case - you lost - and you were convicted by your own actions. I send my condolences to you.