

Re: Apollo/Saturn drawings

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Herb Schaltegger wrote:

- > *In article <1YIRd.8115\$B12.2657@news02.roc.ny>,*
- > *Scott Lowther <scottlowther@ix.netcom.SPAMBLOK.com> wrote:*
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- > > *The topic at hand was was: "Wouldn't it be great if someone could*
- put*
- > > *all this stuff on the net," to which I pointed out – correctly –*
- that*
- > > *someone doing so stood a good chance of being sued. You pop up, and*

- > > *demonstrate that your choice of response to situations you don't*
- like...*
- > > *is to sue somebody.*
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- > *No, Scott – the topic to which *I* responded was how to go about*
- > *getting to government to follow legal provisions it is obligated to*
- > *follow, in the face of institutional and bureaucratic foot-dragging.*

Uh-huh. And how do you sue somebody to find something that may not exist? Who do I sue to obtain documents from the Lockheed, Northrop, North American archives? Documents and archives that have been disposed of to prevent frivolous lawsuits?

- > *And it isn't "my choice of response to situations I don't like" –*
- it's*
- > *how our governmental system works.*

And that's the sad thing. Don't like something? Sue somebody.

- > > *The reason why so much of aerospace history has been lost is*
- *because**
- > > *of the fear of lawsuits. I may not like the idea of trashing an*
- archive*
- > > *to prevent a lawsuit based on some 30-year-old test report, but I*
- can*
- > > *understand the rationale.*
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> *And as has been explained to you, bullshit.*

Incorrect. These archives have been trashed to reduce the likelihood of them being used by lawyers to bleed the companies dry.