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Mr. Thomas Bresson FOIA REQUEST
FOIA Officer
FBI
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Bresson,

This is my request under FOIA for copies of the spectrographic analyses, neutron activation analyses or any similar tests by the FBI in the case of the murder of Officer J.B. Tippit in Dallas, Texas, 11/22/63.

By this I mean the reports of any and all such tests as may have been performed on the recovered bullets, all recovered shells, on the ammunition found in the pistol and the pockets of Lee Harvey Oswald, on Officer Tippit's clothing and all comparisons between any of these and the pistol and any of the other objects.

For your information and that of any researchers, the FBI could not connect these bullets and the pistol ballistically.

The bullets did not match the shells (thus my interest in any testing of the powder in the discharged shells and the unfired ones).

One automatic shell was found at the scene.

In the absence of ballistics proofs I presume there was greater interest in the tests the results of which I seek because they could enable what was not possibly ballistically, connecting Oswald with that murder.

By clothing I mean to include such objects as buttons, one of which was struck by a bullet.

Sincerely,

Harold Weisberg

JL:I owe everybody an apology for not remembering this one.

I don't think there ever was any, thus my helpfulness to Bresson, who needs more education, along with the others who will get this. Perhaps pressure.

In the absence of a ballistics ~~match~~ match such tests should have been mandatory. I recall no reference to any.

If they were made they'd have to be suppressed and it would be pretended they were not, I would think, from all the available evidence.

I expect the answer will be there were no such tests made. Therefore, because I also believe they will not want to advertise this, I should like you to tell me please when to appeal, the first day it would be right. Thereafter we can talk about filing. If necessary. My point is not to be unreasonable while not letting them stall. They should not have to fo more than go to one files on this. If it exists.