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Mattox to investigate new Kennedy theory

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Texas Attorney General Jim Mattox says he plans to look into a new conspiracy theory that claims the CIA was involved in a plot to assassinate President Kennedy.

That claim was made Monday at a news conference by unemployed oil field worker Ricky Don White. He said his father, acting on orders from the CIA, fired the shots that killed Mr. Kennedy in 1963.

Mr. White said his father was standing on a grassy knoll in front of the presidential motorcade when he fired the two shots that killed Mr. Kennedy.

The Warren Commission concluded that Lee Harvey Oswald fired all the shots from the Texas Schoolbook Depository.

Mr. Mattox said Monday that he is interested in pursuing the story because he was once told by his

mother, a former waitress at Campisi's Egyptian Restaurant in Dallas, that Oswald's killer, Jack Ruby, frequented the restaurant.

She believed that she saw Mr. Ruby and Oswald eating dinner there together, according to Mr. Mattox.

Mattox spokesman Kelly Fero said Tuesday that Mr. Mattox has agreed to review the evidence.

"They contacted Mattox yesterday

afternoon asking whether he would look at their evidence were they to supply it. He said yes," Mr. Fero said. "But they haven't presented it yet."

Federal investigative agencies have branded Mr. White's claims about his father as "ludicrous" and "not credible." His father, Roscoe White, died in 1971 at 35.

Geneva White Galle, Roscoe White's wife of 15 years, who settled in Odessa in 1981 and remarried in 1983, told *The Odessa American*, "There is no doubt in my mind that my husband did shoot Kennedy."

Mrs. Galle, who is suffering from terminal cancer and previously had been unavailable for interviews, said she wished that the information had been revealed sooner. "I lost my health because of it," she said.