

November 26, 1963

Mr. J. L. Curry
Chief of Police

SUBJECT: Location of Detective Ivan R. Stephens
at the time of the shooting of
Cassidy, November 24, 1963.

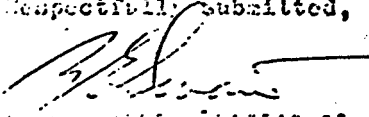
Sir:

The following is a report submitted by Detective Ivan R. Stephens regarding his activities on November 24, 1963 at the time of the incident at the basement.

At about 11:15 a.m., November 24, 1963, Lieutenant Cain ordered me to the basement of the City Jail to aid in the transfer of the prisoner, Ice Harvey Oswald to the County Jail. I went to the basement and remained in the lobby in front of the jail office when the homicide men brought Oswald down on the inside jail elevator and started to the west jail over that leads to the parking area. These doors were open at the time. I was behind the prison men that were taking picture through the cashier's doors of the jail, and I remained behind these prison men and photographers in order to keep out any unauthorized persons that might attempt to come in behind the prisoner through the lobby.

I heard the shot and heard someone cry that the prisoner had been shot. I did not see the count and was about forty feet from where the prisoner was shot. I saw the detectives carry Oswald inside the jail office and also saw some detectives attempting to carry a man inside of the jail office that was the one someone had said had shot the prisoner. I attempted to help these men get the prisoner inside the office. As soon as the prisoner was secured, I walked over where Oswald was lying on the floor, and saw a bullet hole in his left side as he was lying on the floor. He appeared to be conscious at the time and city doctor was called and was working on him when the ambulance came for him. I returned to the third floor for further assignment.

Respectfully submitted,


Ivan R. Stephens, Lieutenant
Homicide and Shift Supervisor

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