

AFFIDAVIT

**September 11, 1975
Washington, D. C.**

I, Eugene W. Walsh, being duly sworn, hereby make the following free and voluntary statement to Inspectors Edgar N. Best and George H. Menzel, both of whom have identified themselves to me as being employees of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

I have read an article in the September 15, 1975, issue of "Time" magazine located on page 19. This article is entitled "The Oswald Cover-up." The article infers that Lee Harvey Oswald visited the Dallas Office prior to the assassination of President John F. Kennedy and on this occasion left a note, allegedly a threatening note. The article goes on to infer that just after the assassination anguished FBI men in Dallas asked their superiors in Washington for guidance about the note. The article then states that John P. Mohr, then the Bureau's administrative chief, told the Dallas Agents to destroy it. The article further indicates that Nicholas P. Callahan, James B. Adams and myself, former aides to Mr. Mohr in the Administrative Division of the Bureau, deny this allegation.

As of November 22, 1963, I was serving as Inspector and Number One Man to Nicholas P. Callahan who was at that time the Assistant Director in charge of the Administrative Division. I continued in that assignment until I was placed in my present position as Assistant Director of the Administrative Division effective August 21, 1973. At the time of

President Kennedy's assassination John P. Mohr occupied the position of Assistant to the Director (Administrative).

I wish to state that prior to July, 1975, I had absolutely no knowledge of an alleged visit by Lee Harvey Oswald to the Dallas Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation prior to the assassination of President John F. Kennedy, or of an alleged leaving of a note of any type or that such a note was ever destroyed or that there was any decision made concerning the destruction of such a note. I wish to further state that at no time was I ever present at any meeting or discussion with any Bureau personnel concerning a decision to destroy such a note, if it ever existed. I have no knowledge that any such meeting or discussion took place. I categorically deny the inferences and allegations made in the "Time" magazine article of September 15, 1975, on page 19 which infers that John P. Mohr made a decision to destroy such a note and that I may have had any part in this decision. I wish to further state that at no time was I contacted by anyone concerning the information in this article prior to today's date.

I have read this affidavit consisting of this page and one other and it is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this eleventh day of September, 1975.

Edgar W. Best
