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From Vida Whatley
(NAME OF CONTRIBUTOR)

3426 Laurison
(ADDRESS OF CONTRIBUTOR)

Dallas
(CITY AND STATE)

By Trethick
(NAME OF SPECIAL AGENT)

To Be Returned Yes
No

Description: Signed statement?
Vida Lee Whatley, 3-23-64

3-23-64
Dallas, Texas

I, Vida Lee Whatley, make the following statement to Thomas T. Trettis, Jr, who has identified himself as a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

I am a white female and was born on 4-25-18 at Van Alstyne, Texas. I presently reside at 3426 Lawnview, Dallas, Texas. I am presently unemployed but on 11-22-63 I was a secretary for Lyons and Carnahan Publishing Company, with the branch office at the Texas School Book Depository Building, Dallas, Texas.

On the morning of 11-22-63 I arrived at the Lyons and Carnahan office at approximately 8¹⁵ AM. I left the Depository building about 12¹⁵ that day for my lunch break. At no time during that morning did I see anyone in the Texas School Book Depository Building who was a stranger to me. When President John F. Kennedy was shot I was shopping on Elm Street and I was walking between the Moses and Knapp's Store when I heard a pedestrian remark that the President had been shot. I was alone at the time and did not see Lee Harvey Oswald. I cannot say for sure if I have ever

Lee Harvey Oswald at the Texas School
Book Depository Building at any time.

I returned to the Depository building about
one o'clock on 11-22-63 and the police told me
I could not enter the building. The police
checked my identification outside the building and
about an hour later I left for home.

I have read this two page statement
and it is correct to the best of
my knowledge.

Vida Lee Whately - 3/23/64 Dallas, Tex.

Witness: Thomas T. Trelles, Sp. Inv. Agent, F.B.I., 3-23-64, Dallas, Texas.

E. J. Robertson, Special Agent, F.B.I., 3-23-64, Dallas, Texas.