

## Photo Shows O'Donnell Attended Swearing-In

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BOSTON (AP) — The Boston Globe reproduced Thursday a photograph showing Kenneth P. O'Donnell, then a White House secretary, standing beside Mrs. John F. Kennedy when President Lyndon B. Johnson took the oath of office in Dallas Nov. 22, 1963.

In his book, "The Death of a President," William Manchester reported that O'Donnell did not attend the ceremony.

The photograph, which the Globe said never had been published, shows O'Donnell standing behind and slightly to the left of Mrs. Kennedy. O'Donnell's face did not appear in an earlier-published photograph of the swearing-in.

Asked, when he testified before the Warren Commission, whether he was present at the ceremony, O'Donnell had replied, "I was."

Manchester pictured O'Donnell as pacing a corridor, "his hands clapped against his ears as though to block the oath."

In connection with publication of the Globe photograph, O'Donnell said, "I was standing next to Jackie through the whole ceremony. I walked with her from the bedroom to where the ceremony took place and I stayed with her the whole time."

He said that when everything was ready for the swearing-in, Mr. Johnson asked, "Where's Jackie?" O'Donnell said he had not wanted Mrs. Kennedy to attend the ceremony.

"I objected to her being there for the swearing-in. I said she had been through enough," he recalled, adding, "the President said 'She's willing to do it.'"

"I went to the bedroom and told her that in my judgment she shouldn't. I told her it would be too much for her. Jackie said, 'I think I ought to.'"

"We then left and I took her up to where the swearing-in was to take place. That's how I was there."

The Globe said its hitherto unpublished photograph of the ceremony was taken by Capt. Cecil Stoughton, official White House photographer. **EVD**