

TITLE: THE WARREN COMMISSION: OR MORE APTLY TITLED—THE  
OMISSION, DISTORTION AND SUPPRESSION REPORT

UNLIKE CHURCHILL'S FAMOUS PUDDING THE WARREN  
COMMISSION WAS A "PUDDING" WITH MULTIPLE THEMES.

A. BEGIN BY LOOKING AT IN A GENERAL WAY SOME OF THE  
COMMISSION'S SHORTFALLS (AND "SHORTFALLS" IS BEING KIND):

1. CHAPTER ONE OF THE REPORT IS THE SHORTEST CHAPTER IN  
THE CONCLUSIONS. 900 PLUS PAGE REPORT. THIS 27 PAGE  
CHAPTER LAYS OUT THE EVENTS OF 11/22 AND THE  
COMMISSION'S. THE CHAPTER DOES NOT INCLUDE ANY OF THE  
EVIDENCE THAT ALLEGEDLY SUPPORTS THESE CONCLUSIONS.  
(ACTUALLY, THE SAME COULD BE SAID ABOUT THE 900-PAGE  
REPORT ITSELF.)

IT WAS NOT UNTIL 2 MONTHS AFTER THE REPORT APPEARED IN  
SEPTEMBER 1964 THAT THE SUPPORTING EVIDENCE APPEARED IN  
THE 26 VOLUMES OF MORE THAT 10 MILLION WORDS.

2. THE POINT: CHAPTER ONE ALONE WAS MADE AVAILABLE TO  
THE NATIONAL PRESS IN SEPTEMBER UPON REQUEST AND WAS  
THE SOURCE OF THE PRESS' FLORID RHETORIC OF APPROVAL  
AND VIRTUALLY UNIFORM SUPPORT OF THE COMMISSION'S  
CONCLUSIONS.

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B. SOME DISTURBING CHARACTERISTICS OF THE REPORT

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1. CONCLUSIONS WERE DRAWN DESPITE OR IN THE FACE OF CONTRARY EVIDENCE OR WITNESS STATEMENTS.

A. FOR EXAMPLE OSWALD BRINGING THE RIFLE INTO THE BUILDING. THE REPORT STATES THAT NO BODY SAW OSWALD ENTER THE BUILDING THAT MORNING. MENTION BELL QUESTIONING JACK DOUGHTERY CAROLINE ARNOLD'S DISTORTED AND DISMISSED ACCOUNT.

PIERCE ALLMAN AND SS'S SWEEPING UNDER THE RUG.

2. IT WAS CLEAR FROM THE GET-GO THAT BEFORE THE COMMISSION HEARD FROM ITS FIRST WITNESS (MARINA) IT HAD ESTABLISHED A "TENTATIVE OUTLINE" (JANUARY 11, 1964)

II. LEE HARVEY OSWALD AS ASSASSIN OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY. SECTION: EVIDENCE IDENTIFYING OSWALD AS THE ASSASSIN. OSWALD: BACKGROUND AND POSSIBLE MOTIVE (A question the commission ducked altogether)

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GENERAL COUNSEL RANKIN AND COMMISSIONER MCCLOY COMMENTED DURING THE APRIL 30<sup>TH</sup> EXECUTIVE SESSION THAT OSWALD WAS THE LONE ASSASSIN. THIS WAS *Before ✓* THE COMMISSION HAD HEARD A MAJORITY OF ITS WITNESSES (AND SOME KEY LIKE ABRAHAM ZAPRUDER AND PHIL WILLIS)

3. UNRESOLVED CRITICAL CONTRADICTIONS: THE WC CONCLUSION THAT THREE SHOTS WERE FIRED. ONE BULLET STRUCK BOTH JFK AND GOVERNOR CONNALLY AND ONE BULLET HIT THE PRESIDENT IN THE HEAD AND A THIRD BULLET MISSED THE LIMO ENTIRELY (COMMISSION DID NOT BRING IN JIM TAGUE'S NAME). SO THE OFFICIAL HISTORY OF THE ASSASSINATION WAS THAT THREE SHOTS WERE FIRED AND THERE WERE TWO HITS.

THE FBI, THE INVESTIGATIVE ARM OF THE COMMISSION, CONCLUDED THAT THERE WERE THREE SHOTS AND THREE HITS. JFK WAS HIT TWICE AND CONNALLY WAS HIT BY A SEPARATE BULLET. THE SS ALSO SUBSCRIBED TO THE 3 SHOTS, 3 HITS. (POINT: SIBERT/O'NEILL REPORT OF AUTOPSY FINDINGS.)

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BOTH COULD NOT BE RIGHT. IN FACT, NEITHER WAS RIGHT. BUT THAT'S THE WAY IT WAS LEFT. AS FAR AS THE RECORD STANDS THIS HAS REMAINED THE FBI'S CALCIFIED VERSION OR CALSIFIED WISDOM, IF YOU WILL, IMMUNE TO CHANGE OR QUESTIONING. (READ HOOVER'S 1966 RESPONSE)

4. A STUNNING ORWELLIAN TOUCH TO THE COMMISSION'S PSEUDOHISTORY OF THE KENNEDY ASSASSINATION WAS THE SUPPRESSION OF THE OFFICIAL DEATH CERTIFICATE SIGNED BY ADMIRAL BURKLEY, THE PRESIDENT'S WHITE HOUSE PHYSICIAN. THERE APPARANTLY WAS NO ROOM IN THE 10,000 PAGES IN THE 26 VOLUMES OF EXHIBITS/HEARINGS.

BURKELY LOCATES KENNEDY'S BACK WOUND AT THE THIRD THORACIC VERTEBRAE IN THIS 2-PAGE DOCUMENT. THIS MAKES THE COMMISSION'S SINGLE-BULLET EXPLANATION (THE ROSETTA STONE FOR THE LONE GUNMAN EXPLANATION) IMPOSSIBLE. AND SO THE DOCUMENT WAS SUPPRESSED.

5. ALSO SUPPRESSED FROM THE REPORT AND THE 26 VOLUMES WERE ALL SPECTROGRAPHIC AND NAA TEST RESULTS. THIS WAS AT A TIME WHEN THESE SOPHISTICATED TESTS WERE

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REGARDED AS THE GOLD STANDARD FOR BULLET METAL  
COMPARISONS.

\           WHAT WOULD HAVE BEEN "BULLET PROOF" EVIDENCE  
WOULD HAVE BEEN THE RESULTS OF SPECTRO TESTS ON JFK'S COLLAR  
AND TIE. COPPER ON THE COLLAR AND TIE WOULD BE STRONG EVIDENCE  
THAT A BULLET HAD EXITED KENNEDY'S NECK AND WENT ONTO  
PENETRATE CONNALLY. IN SHORT, IT WOULD STRENGTHEN THE WC'S  
(ARLEN SPECTER'S ) CASE FOR THE SINGLE-BULLET THEORY THAT WAS  
ESSENTIAL FOR SETTLING THE DUST OF DALLAS WITH THE LONE  
ASSASSIN EXPLANATION.

STOMBAUGH HAD RUN A SPECTRO ON JFK'S COAT AND  
SHIRT. THE TESTS DETECTED COPPER (BULLET METAL)  
AROUND THE HOLE IN JFK'S COAT AND SHIRT INDICATING  
THAT THE HOLES WERE MADE BY A BULLET.  
THE WHOLES IN JFK'S COAT AND SHIRT LINED UP AT ABOUT  
THE THIRD THORACIC VERTEBRAE AS DESCRIBED IN DR.  
BURKLEY'S DEATH CERTIFICATE. AND I SHOULD ADD THIS  
LINE UP AGREED WITH DR/ BOSWELL'S AUTOPSY BOY CHART  
THAT WAS PART OF THE OFFICIAL AUTOPSY REPORT  
(COMMISSION EXHIBIT #397)

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BOSWELL'S LATER EXPLANATION TO THE HSCA WAS THAT HE MADE A SLIP UP ON THE LOCATION BECAUSE HE HAD GLOVES ON AT THE TIME, ~~ON~~ AND THAT THE BULLET HOLE WAS IN THE CERVICAL OR NECK REGION. (WHERE FORD MOVED IT . SEE ADD ON)

IN 1977 FBI FRAZIER WAS DEPOSED (UNDER OATH) IN A FOIA SUIT BROUGHT BY HAROLD WEISBERG (AND ARGUED BY JIM LESAR). FRAZIER ACKNOWLEDGED THAT HE HAD STOMBAUGH RUN TESTS ON JFK'S COLLAR AND TIE TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE SLITS IN THE COLLAR AND THE NICK IN THE TIE REVEALED ANY TRACES OF COPPER. HAD COPPER BEEN PRESENT IT WOULD, OF COURSE, HAVE STRENGTHENED THE CASE FOR THE SINGLE-BULLET CONSTRUCTION.

THE RESULTS OF THESE TESTS WERE NEVER REVEALED. THEY ARE NEITHER IN THE WARREN REPORT OR IN THE 26 VOLUMES., (SOURCE: *WEISBERG V. U.S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE AND ENERGY RESEARCH DEVELOPMENT AD. CA SUIT 75-226, US DISTRICT COURT, WDC, FEB. 24, 1977, 61-62.*

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I THINK ANY FAIR READING OF THE DOCUMENTS INDICATE BEYOND ARGUMENT THAT THE COMMISSION MEMBERS KNEW BEFORE THEY HELD A SINGLE HEARING WHAT WAS EXPECTED OF THEM: THAT THEY WERE TO CONCLUDE THAT OSWALD WAS THE ASSASSIN AND HE ACTED ALONE. THERE WAS NO CONSPIRACY EITHER FOREIGN OR DOMESTIC.

(THEN GIVE SOME OF THE REASONS WHY I THINK THIS IS THE CASE).

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## **II. THE FBI SEIZES THE CASE AND THE BULK OF THE EARLY EVIDENCE**

PHONE RECORDS REVEAL THAT THE FIRST LBJ/HOOVER PHONE CONVERSATION OCCURRED AT 7:35 P.M. ON THE DAY OF THE ASSASSINATION.

I THINK INTERIOR DOCUMENTS INDICATE THAT LBJ SPOKE WITH HOOVER WHILE HE WAS ON AF-1 RETUNING FROM DALLAS TO WASHINGTON, D.C.

(CALLS COULD BE MADE FROM AF-1 THAT WERE NOT RECORDED ON REQUEST. DOUG HORNE OF ARRB REVEALED THAT ONLY ONE THIRD

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OF THE RADIO CHANNEL TRAFFIC ON AF-ONE WAS ENTERED INTO THE RECORD).

WHAT LBJ TOLD HOOVER WAS TO TAKE OVER THE INVESTIGATION INTO THE KENNEDY ASSASSINATION.

IN 1963 IT WAS NOT THEN A FEDERAL CRIME TO KILL A PRESIDENT. SO JFK'S ASSASSINATION WAS TECHICALLY A HOMICIDE IN DALLAS, DALLAS COUNTY, TEXAS. BUT JOHNSON BRUSHED ALL THAT ASIDE AND CALLED ON FBI DIRECTOR TO SEIZE THE CASE.

MY REASON IS THAT TWO FBI AGENTS, JAMES SIBERT AND FRANCIS O'NEILL-----SIBERT FROM THE BALTIMORE OFFICE AND O'NEILL STATIONED IN HYATTSVILLE, MD.—HAD BEEN ORDERED TO BE ON STANDBY AT 5:30 p.m. ON 11/22 TO BE AVAILABLE FOR THE KENNEDY AUTOPSY AT BETHESAD NAVAL HOSPITAL. THOSE ORDERS HAD TO COME FROM HOOVER AFTER HE SPOKE WITH LBJ.

7:35 P.M. ON 11/22 THERE IS AZ HOOVER/LBJ PHONE CONVERSATION. NO RECORD OF WHAT WAS SAID.

BUT AT 9:18 P.M. BELMONT REPORTS TO TOLSON THAT LBJ TOLD HOOVER HE WANTED THE CASE SOLVED ASAP.

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SHORTLY AFTER THAT SHANKLIN (Dallas office) CALLS BELMONT TO ANNOUNCE THAT ARRANGEMENTS HAD BEEN MADE TO HAVE THE EVIDENCE IN THE CASE FLOWN OUT OF CARSWELL AIR FORCE BASE AT FT. WORTH.

FBI AGENT VINCE DRAIN REPORTED THAT HE LEFT CARSWELL AR BASE IN A US AIR FORCE C-135 TANKER AT 3:10 A.M. ON 11/23 AND ARRIVED IN WDC AT 6:30 A.M. ALL THE EVIDENCE WAS AT FBIHQ BY 7:30 A.M. WHERE TEAMS OF FBI LAB SPECIALISTS STARTING POURING OVER THE 400-500 ITEMS. (MADE UP OF ALL THE STUFF FROM OSWALD'S NO. BECKLEY STREET ROOM AND EVERYTHING BELONGING TO THE OSWALDS FROM RUTH PAINE'S HOUSE EXCEPT FOR THEIR BELONGINGS IN THE GARAGE.

(SOURCE: JAMES CADIGAN'S (FBI DOCUMENTS MAN) 4/30/1964 WC TESTIMONY/7H434-435). THIS REVELATION IN HIS TESTIMONY WAS INITIAILLY DELETED ONLY TO BE RESTORED AT A LATER DATE.

DALLAS POLICE CHIEF JESSE CURRY WC TESTIMONY (4H194/5) CONFIRMED THAT THERE WERE AT LEAST 400 ITEMS IN THE EVIDENCE PACKAGE AGENT DRAIN GATHERED UP AND TOOK TO WASHINGTON.

CURRY NOTED THAT THE DALLAS POLICE ON THE NIGHT OF 11/22 WERE BOMBARDED WITH FREQUENT CALLS FROM "SOMEONE HIGH IN AUTHORITY" IN WASHINGTON ABOUT WHEN THE EVIDENCE WOULD BE

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READY TO BE SENT. (I SUSPECT THE CALLER MIGHT HAVE BEEN CLIFF CARTER). LBJ'S DALLAS MAN AND THE ONE IN CHARGE OF HIS DALLAS OFFICE. IT HAD TO BE LBJ WHO ORDERED CARSWELL AIR BASE TO MAKE A C-135 TANKER AVAILABLE TO DRAIN.)

IN CURRY'S COMMISSION TESTIMONY IN HIS EXCHANGE WITH ALLEN DULLES HE LET DROP THAT THE POLICE TURNED EVERYTHING OVER TO THE FBI WITHOUT MAKING A WRITTEN INVENTORY. CURRY NOTYED THERE WAS NO TIME BECAUSE OF THE PRESSURE FROM WASHINGTON TO TURN IT ALL OVER TO THE FBI.

DULLES ASKED THE PERTINENT QIESTION: WAS THE EVIDENCE ACCOMPANIED TO WASHINGTON WITH A MEMBER OF THE DALLAS POLICE DEPARTMENT.

CURRY'S ANSWER WAS, IN EFFECT, NO. (ACTUALLY THE ONLY PERSON WHO JOINED DRAIN IN THE FLIGHT BACK TO WASHINGTON WAS A SECRET SERVICE AGENT WINSTON LAWSON).

IT WAS CLEAR TO DULLES THAT THE LINE OF POSSESION OF THE EVIDENCE IN THE MURDER OF THE PRESIDENT HAD BEEN BREACHED.

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IN A WAY THE ALMOST TWO DAYS THE EVIDENCE REMAINED AT WITH FBI BULAB SPECIALISTS PICKING OVER LIKE IT WAS A GREAT RUMMAGE SALE.

WHEN THE REALITY OF THE SITUATION HIT DULLES HE CALLED FOR A LUNCH BREAK. WHEN THE COMMISSION AND CURRY RETURNED AFTER LUNCH THE QUESTIONING SHIFTED TO ANOTHER TOPIC.

THE EVIDENCE WAS RETURNED TO THE DALLAS POLICE ON NOVEMBER 25<sup>TH</sup>, AND THE PRESS WAS INVITED TO WITNESS THE OFFICIAL TRANSFER OF THE EVIDENCE TO THE FBI.

IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT AS SOON AS THE FBI SEIZED THE CASE ALL WITNESSES WERE THREATENED TO STRICT SILENCE. THIS PRECLUDED ANY OTHER INTERPRETATION OF THE EVIDENCE OTHER THAN WHAT THE FBI STATED OR CHOSE TO REPRESENT.

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THIS CONTROL WAS SO IMMEDIATE THAT EVEN THE SECRET SERVICE WAS FORECLOSED. (FOR EXAMPLE, THE NEW ORLEANS' SECRET SERVICE AGENT IN CHARGE OF THAT OFFICE WAS WARNED OFF INVESTIGATING WHO PICKED UP FPFC FLYERS FROM THE PRINTER. (IT WAS NOT OSWALD) DID OSWALD, THE ALLEGED ASSASSIN OF THE PRESIDENT HAVE AN ACCOMPLISH???)

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### III. BOXING IN THE COMMISSION

ON 11/25 AFTER OSWALD WAS ASSASSINATED AT DALLAS POLICE HEADQUARTERS WHEELS WERE SET IN MOTION.

THAT EVENING THERE WAS A SERIES OF PHONE CALLS BETWEEN LBJ, HOOVER, AND KATZENBACH.

THE UPSHOT OF THESE CALLS WAS A MEMORANDUM THAT KATZENBACH WROTE THAT EVENING. THE MEMO WAS THE DIRECT OUTGROWTH OF THE SHORT CONVERSATION EARLIER THAT EVENING. IT LAID OUT WHAT THE THREE HAD SETTLED UPON AS THE "FACTS" OR THE OFFICAL ACCOUNT THAT THEY DEEMED SAFE FOR THE ORDINARY UNDERSTANDING OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE. THE GIST WAS QUOTING FROM THE MEMO; "THE PUBLIC MUST BE SATISFIED THAT OSWALD WAS THE ASSASSIN; THAT HE DID NOT

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HAVE CONFEDERATES WHO ARE STILL AT LARGE, AND THE EVIDENCE WAS SUCH THAT HE WOULD HAVE BEEN CONVICTED AT TRAIL.”

ALL OF THIS TURNED ON THE FACT OF OSWALD’S OWN ASSASSINATION. NOW THAT THE CHARGED ASSASSIN OF JFK WAS HIMSELF ASSASSINATED THERE WOULD BE NO TRIAL AND NO EXAMINATION OF THE EVIDENCE BY A FAIR AND IMPARTIAL INVESTIGATION DETERMINED TO UNCOVER THE FACTS BEHIND KENNEDY’S ELIMINATION. THAT IS, WHETHER OR NOT A COUP D’ETAT OCCURRED IN DALLAS.

IN SHORT, THE KATZENBACH MEMO REDUCED JFK’S MURDER TO A PUBLIC RELATIONS CAMPAIGN.

ALL THE PLAYERS JUMPED INTO LINE:

HOOVER MEMO ON 11/24: OSWALD ALONE DID IT; BUREAU MUST ‘CONVINCE THE PUBLIC OSWALD IS REAL ASSASSIN.’

HOOVER 11/26 MEMO “WRAP UP INVESTIGATION; SEEMS TO ME WE HAVE THE BASIC FACTS NOW.” (62-109060-1490)

ALEX ROSEN, HEAD OF THE FBI INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION, CHARACTERIZED THE FBI INVESTIGATION AS FBI “STANDING AROUND WITH POCKETS OPEN WAITING FOR EVIDENCE TO DROP IN.”

WE KNOW THAT ONCE THE NEWS OF OSWALD’S MURDER WAS MADE PUBLIC THAT THE BETHESDA PROSECTORS REWROTE THE

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KENNEDY AUTOPSY.

**THEN CAME THE LEAKING**

AS WE ALL KNOW WASHINGTON IS A TOWN FUELED BY LEAKS.  
PROBABLY NO ONE WAS MORE GIFTED IN THESE GREY ARTS THAN  
HOOVER AND HIS CRIME RECORDS DIVISION.

THE FIRST LEAK, THAT I AM AWARE OF, OF THE FBI REPORT (CD-1)  
THAT NOT RELEASED TO THE WARREN COMMISSION UNTIL 12/9 CAME ON  
11/27/1963 IN A SHORT PIECE IN THE *SEATTLE POST-INTELLIGENCER* BY LES  
WHITTEN.