the photos given in his HSCA interview and the remark from his widow that military men had to take secrets to the grave, Horne speculates that Knudsen was aware of that the medical evidence had been managed and manipulated. (Horne, p. 289) He also speculates that Knudsen was selected because he was close and very loyal to the Kennedy family and that he was handpicked either by RFK (or possibly by Shepard – Hancock). Horne. P. 287

and

Knudsen obtained the prints, took them back to the White House and was told to make seven sets including distribution to the Archives and the Attorney General. His directions came from either Dr. Burkley or from agent Kellerman who he said was handling all matters at that point. (Horne p. 264-265/ Knudsen interview).

(We have to consider the possibility, as I think Doug does, that Knudsen did not tell the whole truth or his whole story, he told enough to open some doors but kept other doors shut. If Knudsen suspected Burkley was working in support of RFK or the Kennedy family we have to face the fact that his loyalty may have led him to pass a mixed message – Hancock)

By midnight several major items of evidence have been taken out of Dallas, including the presidential vehicle, the clothing of JFK and Connally, the rifle and documents relating to it, a handgun and paper sack. The paper sack had earlier been shown to Frazier who denied under polygraph that it was the sack he had seen Oswald take to work at the TSBD that day. In addition, the removal of the rifle has preempted Lt. Day's forensics work on prints from the rifle. A bullet, later to be designated CE 399, is also taken out of Dallas Friday evening, however the individuals initially handling will later state that the bullet in official evidence in Washington is not the one they saw and handled. ..CE 399 will contain no chain of possession markings. CE 399 chain of evidence is totally broken and none of the people observing the bullet in Dallas will confirm that it is the bullet they observed, apparently that bullet was a sharp nosed 30 cal type round.

The order for the FBI to intervene and take control of evidence evidently came from Johnson in a call to Hoover early Friday evening. Manchester writes about this call, obviously referring to the White House call log. However, the existing call log no longer shows such a call. (Hancock)

Humes destroyed his notes and first report; Boswell's notes disappeared. Two signed official reports were produced. (Horne p. xxiv and xxxi)

....Horne traces the evolution of the autopsy report over a period of several days and essentially in three phases (a chart of the phases is provided by Horne on p. 872) : Phase 1 was the two shot scenario documented in an FBI telegram transmitted at 2 am on Saturday morning (one shot into the rear of the head and one non transiting shot into the back). This was never put in writing by the Doctors.