

*Witness File*

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March 24, 1964  
Dallas, Texas

"I, Franklin Emmett Wester, freely furnish the following statement to Eugene F. Petrakis and A. Raymond Switzer, who have identified themselves to me as Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

"I am a male Caucasian and was born on October 11, 1941, in Dallas, Texas. I presently reside at 201 East Oak Street, Lancaster, Texas, and have been employed in the warehouse of Texas School Book Depository located at 1917 North Houston Street, Dallas, Texas, as a stockman since January, 1963.

"I recall that on November 22, 1963, I was working in the warehouse all morning and at the time of the assassination of President John F. Kennedy, I was on my lunch hour. I ate lunch in the warehouse and did not leave the warehouse at any time prior to the assassination. I did not view the Presidential Motorcade as it passed down Elm Street, a distance of about two blocks from the warehouse, and I first learned of the assassination when I received a telephone call at about 1:00 PM from my wife who advised me the President had been shot. I remained at the warehouse until about 3:00 PM to 3:30 PM, when I left and drove home. I did not enter the main building located at 411 Elm Street at any time on November 22, 1963.

"To the best of my recollection I had never seen Lee Harvey Oswald prior to the shooting of President Kennedy.

"I do not recall observing any strangers in or around the Texas School Book Depository building or the warehouse on the morning of November 22, 1963.

"I have read this statement consisting of this and one other page, initialed each page and each correction and find it true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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"/s/ FRANKLIN EMMETT WESTER

"Witnessed:

"/s/ EUGENE F. PETRAKIS, Special Agent, FBI, Dallas, Texas, 3/24/64.

"/s/ A. RAYMOND SWITZER, Special Agent, FBI Dallas, Texas, 3/24/64"

*PT. Oswald had his rifle in warehouse on 11/22  
Wester  
has seen him*

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