

# "Overview" Chapter II

WC first meeting was on 12/5/63

12/8/63 J Lee Rankin asked peron (Warren by phone)

12/9/63 FBI submitted 4 Vol rept. (5<sup>th</sup> Vol "Supplementing report" 1/13/64)

12/16/63 second WC meeting, JLR summary

3 weeks 12/21/63 - 1/10/64 critical period during which modus operandi emerged. Only "major problems" to WC itself.

1/27/64 WC staff, FBI & SS viewed Zapruder film  
JFK & Jacqueline hit by 2 shots in 1 1/2 seconds span

1/30-31/64 JLR said field investigation to be postponed to end July trial

2/3/64 Hearings began in Marine - "proceedings did not completely satisfy the staff."

2/6/64 Staff asked for gun of Marine, JLR said we had "decided that they believed doc" & there would be no + gun!! Hated argument over "prominent target" than trial  
resign colors M cross-ex. No + found (see) (see)  
Staff meetings after JLR lost control this one (see) (see)

Also, does testimony for C her after  
frame 231 — was bullet in air  
for at least 6 frames? No. Eng  
2 bullets.

In order keep Nagia bullet had to  
reput FBI 12/9/63 reput  
" expert testimony on 399  
" Gov C testimony on rep bullet  
" PH does " Gov C not in  
position before frame 231

All this was done, which is key to  
WC connection to  
line as a main premise

### The Tests (p. 153)

4/27/64 US Army ballistics xpts  
did + tests on rifle — purpose  
for spectra was to determine  
penetrating power of the bullets  
— specifically, would bullet  
penetrate second mass after exit 1st mass

Finnick paid pyrex test = bullet fired thru  
2 human cadavers, Specter said,  
"too complicated" 3 series tests

① Gelatin simulatrix neck  
showed loss of 82 ft per sec of  
2000 ft per sec velocity

② goat skin for C chest  
- lost 265 ft per sec

③ wrist human cadaver, showed direct  
hit = +++ damage thru Gpc C wrist.

→ At Gpc C chest thicker by 50%  
so they added allowance, to 400 ft per sec  
Olivier estimated Gpc C wrist bullet had  
lost 480 ft per sec, so first went  
thru JFK — But

That is mathematical fallacy  
because bullet does not lose speed  
at constant rate but at  
accelerated rate

ie 50%+ distance = more than 50% loss  
in velocity ie loses greater amt of  
velocity each succeeding second  
— ie — covers less distance per second  
in any unit of time

Therefore, difference of 80 ft per sec does NOT  
justify Bullet  $\rightarrow$  JFK  $\rightarrow$  Gov C  
Same loss velocity probable than Gov C alone

### The Reconstruction

WC apposed may reconstruct because  
① (Aspeter) could look had if basic facts not known  
that late date ② (JLR)

afraid over-enthus anyone would try  
make facts fit hypothesis.

Agreed to reconstruct only if  
sponsored by JLR who went

Dallas 5/23/64 = Red & Spack  
Exercise 5/24 am

4th chapter by Ball & Beden  
rejected as "totally inadequate"  
Feldbach re-wrote in 10 weeks

Chapter 5 on alternative transfer = fully  
rewritten by Goldberg who  
didn't like style of Giff/Hauschild  
draft.

Chap 6 (Conspiracy) ditto, Pallak draft

" 7 LHO background & nature by  
Ludlow ditto by Goldberg  
because "too public" and  
"too sympathetic" ~~to~~ in view of  
WC

Chap 8 on Presid protest by Stern  
WC paid out contract copy of JS  
so Willens rewrite pushing it

first drafts not seen by WC  
Second " to cinda WC members who  
wrote comments in margins  
Collected by re-editing Committee &  
sent back to be rewritten - some  
chapters 30x

20 lawyers provided citations for  
my statement in report - of  
not fully substantiated,  
misquoting or deleted theoretically

Richard explained re usualizations  
of stop disclaim charges because  
importance to publish

Final draft finished mid-sept  
To Goldberg for polishing  
He needed 6 mos, had less than  
one week  
(Poor timing)

30 ppl worked on WR last

Main authors — Redd & Golding

Chapter I The Selection Process (p 172)

3 new Wits

Ball in his draft of Chapter IV rejected  
as "utterly unreliable" Ingham testimony  
Lubliner paid her testimony worthless

— she was marital case — proven  
liar

Redd's reply was

We wanted to believe Ingham  
△ that's all there is to it

Similarly Ball doubts on  
Breeman testimony — because

for a reenactment 3/30/64

Breeman doesn't look especially  
scary figure in 6 ft hood

\* became Brennan's delib fic at hearings (and maybe SWE 65)  
reflected on his credibility

But Redl gave much weight to Brennan testimony  
in re-writing Crypt IV He also rehabilitated  
Marine & accused Gen W Myrtle,  
despite his Feb memo saying she was  
liar — Apparently, "under  
pressure from above"

Redlich finished Crypt IV 9/4/64  
Lubliner read galley Sept 5-7  
said it read like prosec brief  
so he wrote 56-page memo single space  
attaching Crypt IV pt by pt  
— warning "this kind of  
selection for the record would  
seriously affect the  
integ & credit of  
~~the~~ the entire report"

Lubliner put out for example  
no evidence right was in  
same gauge 11/21 !!



Fibers in bag did not match blanket  
" on rifle " " " " or fibers in blanket  
Wang (omitted for WR) identified  
rifle was not stored in blanket

Lubkin also criticized fingerprint evidence  
in on curtains - did not mention  
LHO at window,  
only mention he handled  
curtains in course his work

but Lubkin's main attack was on  
LHO membership

"easy plot"  
Lubkin in July  
further probe program  
in each case  
have factor omitted  
premeditated  
"frame"

Lubkin had to  
"easy" curtains  
in fact would  
"extremely  
difficult"

Hickler memo put out

that in 10 out of 13 tests performed for accuracy  
the 4pts failed equal LHO's time

1 except out of 6 matched his time

Hickler said "simply dishonest"  
not to mention scope defect

blasted use of Anderson & Zahner  
who had no contact LHO

omission of Delgado

and VSOB file on LHO (suppressed)

indicated he was  
extremely poor

but = had to be  
helped = proposed  
Game

selecting evidence, Clayton  
Leibler said that by a blatantly distorted  
fact LHO poor slut & created  
"pinky tale" LHO good slut &  
had friend "easy slut"

9/6/64 submitted memo to JLR  
who first refused to accept it  
saying no more news, WR said  
he published  
Leibler insisted JLR read  
& summarized Redl to DC  
at once

Redlock like Moses on Mt  
when law hided from  
heavily objected all  
Leibler criticisms saying  
WC wanted it interpreted  
as easy slut & he worked  
for the WC.

In end JLR "adjudicated"  
inserted ref to skins & defect in  
page But said it was of advantage

## Chap XI The C's Condemns

Russell said he would not pay  
WR if it paid 1 bullet but 2 men  
Casper & Burgess learned that way too  
"no evidence", "strong doubts"

Dalles Moley = Ford pro 1 bullet 2 men

Battle of adjustments to precede  
"evidence" settled on "persuasion"

Concealed strong evidence  
of a second assassin  
"in mutual interest"

But perjurer photos JFK clothes in FBI Rept 12/63  
show holes graphically.  
Hole in shirt is 5 3/4" below collar !!  
(photos pp 71, 72)

Path of bullet FBI rept planes did NOT pass  
there. Milt Halperin says "no such thing as  
a rifle bullet passing through a neck  
without leaving a path."

Part II The Investigation  
(Dr James Rhodes, Civil Architect)

The "threshold gun for the WC was: - Was there  
+ than 1 assassin?"

Films = Gun C x JFK hit almost parallel  
FBI 12/63 rept = not by same bullet

ergo  
prima facie case of 2 assassins

Area 1. Basic facts Spector was alone after  
de facto resign of F Adams. Began field  
investig 3/16/64 = specific instructions from  
Warriner — to "clear up the confusion" re  
interim neck wound. Her whole "invest"  
amounted to spy on rec interviews =  
28 PA persons!!

Stretcher Bullets which stretcher? virtually crypt but  
never resolved. When Spector deny JFH test  
'Old Dallas 399 found gun C, was lying —  
all FBI & JS reports = not found on gun C stretcher  
4 days later, he got Tomlinson!!

399 produced for gun C stretcher by  
Furick testing, 399 not wrist bullet.  
That never challenged. In itself proves  
399 not not gun C.

4th shot? re bullet mark on ash  
("hot in shingle" & came to leg it  
when Spector was furnished)

Area II ID of Lamm, (B=B)

Chapter VI The Limits of the Investigators

p. 119 Lawyers were not satisfied = FBI coop  
- congress test only on express orders for JTEH  
- would not develop any info not specifically requested in writing !!

WC paid no royalties X-exam unless witness clearly lying. Most lawyers not satisfied = Virginia 1A test - Lichten said she was telling WC what wanted to hear. Ball said she left to my guns announcement. Coleman opposed program "transfer deposits" Rankin said WC decided NO to all because Warren found judge because Leving = satisfied, Rankin trustful.

God

Steff protested loud & strong

Coleman threatened resign  
& others came close walking  
out of the meeting

Lechels asked why no + exam Marini  
JLR answer "Chief J doesn't want it"  
JLR "lost control of the meeting"

Redd wrote memo to JLR saying

"We cannot ignore ... that Marini  
has lied to SS, FBI, WC

repeatedly on matters of vital  
concern to people USA & world."

Snow White (Marini) > 7 Dwarfs  
(WCS)

Griffin = Dean J. J. J.  
il

"Staff explicitly prohibited  
from conducting testing of  
units"

Referred Lechels report to  
polygraph David Ryden

(mb) did polygraph Bogard



## Time Pressure

because of deadlines, Giff could not  
finish correct of Rudy entry basement  
In June we felt Giff going too  
much time to it. He was ordered  
get on other aspects. (i.e.  
after Dean 5th) despite his

EE p 128

protests  
that Gen of  
Prime Justice

Odie story - include full details in  
her story covering facts she could  
not possibly have known ~~unless~~  
story was valid.

On rechecking Lawson's "schedule"  
find no reason assume

LHO took 2:35 am bus in  
Houston !! Could have caught the  
bus in Albu & when submitted  
to Parker, R

JHR got away &  
said "No more memos. At this stage

we are supposed to be closing doors, not opening them.

Chapter III The Commission Hearings.

43% on LHO life history  
ie focus was on LHO not JFK  
12% on govt agency procedures (State Dept FBI etc)

less than 1/2 on shots, ID ammo, LHO  
more to 1/2

51 wits in 81 hrs including xpts  
"outside" xpts called by Esenberg,  
but only on ballistics & prints  
in other areas, "curious exam"

Dry run is known probably rehearsed  
hearing re-enactment skulls drop overhead

P140 some counsel thought WC hearings  
"a joke"

Alben Terson, really serious  
only 1/2 3 heard + then 1/2 testimony  
average was 45%

JFK says Warren made sure open 9 am  
went to Court 10 am, worried re his health!

Separate letter Lyndon - WC

+ + wide = + + time

ie

Willens refused open locked drawer  
& give material to Mrs Clay

Warren had to intercede

JFK said it was "unfortunate  
murdering" Willens was  
wanting for other correct evidence

## VIII The Hypothesis

FBI Rept of 9 Dec 1963 contained

7 major facts - power as WR "facts" as basis  
main conclusion LHO killed JFK.

So what contact made by  
"under cover"??

per Redd, determine the relate betw  
FBI facts, also, single bullet theory  
"most crit contact" of WC

P. 146 EE quotes FBI description  
of 11/32 ie  
2 hit JFK 1 hit Gov C

### Film Analysis

1/27/64 Redd Evening & Spectator

2

Stonewall Kelly Janstun  
from by frame of 2 film  
ie betw p 207-225 tris

place car at 1st shot ie  
2nd shot could not precede  
from 250 or 2 rifles

2/25/64 WC got original copy  
for life

Single Bullet / Hypothesis only, which  
Specter informed disc & Humes & Brannell  
(ie not Fuchs) according to Specter  
Humes first suggested single  
bullet 2 men

But raised problem because  
FBI report said bullet did  
not enter JFK.

3/16/64 JFH testified, undated  
antagonism noted in enise  
- diametrically in conflict FBI report  
ie antagonism revised  
after 1/13/64 if FBI accounts

Brannell said antagonism perhaps  
based on antagonism "and subsequent  
inference."

JFK was then cancelled magic bullet  
Eschey said at first counsel were  
incredulous, gradually became  
persuaded because only reasonable  
way explain closeness in ~~time~~  
timing between hits

But magic B raised new problems in  
399, first thought for JFK structure  
had to go to Joe C

Specter first said it was for Joe C  
& would develop evid (sans any)  
In developing evid, proved  
credible case for Joe C

But US Joe C = Mrs C testimony  
& not one witness said  
2 men 1 shot  
(more than 100 units)

Another dispute re prep of wits Redlich said no per UK system  
of WC inquiry. JHR agreed NRed. Belin = habeas  
study the gov - ended in compromise, for  
Rayans submit memos re their off recs & wits  
But in practice, "notice" & JHR told them "use their discretion"  
in prep wits.

end Feb - Goldby joined staff, assigned to Powers & Specs division

2/25/64 - Walter Craig, after WC "reconsideration"

1/21/64 fostering that WC was FF not cover

Craig - "no more than a formality"

3/4/64 Preliminary trial agreed - McKee heard by WC "open"

3/14/64 Trial ended

3/18/64 Wilkins Bull Belin → Dallas

B=B "informally interviewed" DBs = key wits

3/30/64 B=B did off-rec reconstruct LHO

moments at scene, & participants "part of  
the eye-wits" who later went before WC in DC

"Frank Adams... was unable to participate  
in the investigation" = Specter had to go it  
alone.

Wm Coleman (negro) "also unable to work for WC"  
→ Fallak took over

2 separate investigations ① WC Kennedy ② Staff investigation  
Ball checker asked what WC did said "zero"  
Warren "was the WC" No direct  
contact between WC members & staff lawyers

(early, decided keep chronological file, but  
"no time" do it)

In April Spect = lead working in DC on 3 film  
→ Spect came up = magic bullet theory  
— arranged ballistic experiments & analysis  
3 film(s) to test that theory  
Meanwhile Gov C testified  
single bullet "inconceivable"

Early May, JHR told lawyers wrap it up  
& submit chapters by 6/1/64  
WR deadline 6/30/64

But not all problems were "solved"  
& "new evidence" had been turned up



5/24/64 J.R. Redl & Specter → Dallas → recontact  
main purpose was "corroborate" single bullet  
thesis

End May, Warren said H & E not to be published  
because "too expensive" Protests  
by counsel to J.R. Senator Russell &  
Congressional members said & justified  
Decision, to publish H & E

6/1/64 only Specter on source slots & later (6/15) (?)  
Ball on ID of assassin ready & chapters  
Redl not satisfied & Ball chapter & rewrite  
over Ball protests Warren not told  
chapters not in — near release date  
Wilsons & Redl went over J.R. head  
& told Warren impossible by 6/30/64

Warren lost Lemper, "demanded"  
Willens close down investig  
"immediately." Deadline → 7/15/64

9/4/64 Galleys circa Dehler attacked

Key chapter on ID of assassin is

26 page memo > had to be re-written !!

9/7/64 Marina recalled to testify Kenneth Cooper Bygg

(in Dallas) She changed many parts

story > contrasted prior testimony → →

→ + + rewriting of WR!

9/24 WR to LBJ

9/25 Jowers & Amine, Warren said

"lawyer-client" relat. to Govt

& keep writers silent i.e.

"privileged inf." (Source Kubie & Esserby)

## Part I Political Truth

### Chapter III The Dominant Purpose

no statement of ultimate purpose but all  
indications are, same nat'l prestige  
— dispel rumors — show USA  
not banana republic.

What if rumor of nat'l merge proved true ??  
Per 1/24/64 when Warren = JKR met

peacely & Cize & Wade — who  
paid LHO on FBI \$500 a mo

since Sept 1962, No 179, to 4/24/63

Wade hand JKR voucher for \$200 fund in

LHO ~~was~~ possession also to boxes

Wade fund standard practice

JKR presented it a "a dirty rumor"

said "it must be wiped out" i.e.

not regard to truth or falseness of the

alleg. WC saw it as problem of

dispelling rumors (only).

JLR proposed to speak to JETH  
= let FBI investigate itself  
before any WC invest - Cooper = Funnelle (only)  
objected Warren said, go into it from  
both ends

2/4/64 Warren to reporter "not in your lifetime"  
(NY Times 2/5/64 p 17 col 1)

1/28/64 JLR went to JETH who said at once "LHO never"

2/13/64 JETH sent affids of 10 FBI's [but not  
de Buzes - Sm]

2/27/64 Jambelony submitted affid xpl why  
Hasty name LHO book not reported  
in 12/23/63 rept is because the circus  
"fully known to the FBI"

5/6/64 Belmont opened full FBI file

JLR said okay but stuff NOT to see  
Warren said no, would not

accept FBI file on LHO

because if WC sees, others

will demand same right !!!

File sent back FBI, no indep check (ever made).

Jaworski asked talk Harkins "informally"  
Reported back, o & it.

but  
1/24/64 AS submitted 30 rpts including  
interview = Harkins (No 767) which said  
Harkins got story from Allan Sweatt !!

LHO was No 5-172 at \$500 a mo.  
Sweatt never questioned

AS interview = Harkins purposely  
even for archives - details kept  
secret even from WC lawyers!!

Footnote p 36 EE says WC never <sup>at</sup> fully  
explain how Harkins no in LHO book. Reconstituted  
reformed. Manim could not have been

### Chris TV Vulnerability of Facts

Lalich says sep bullets JFK = Gun C = 2 assassins  
Zelmana 235 "Gun C plunges forward" (?)

ie 10 frames or 1/2 sec between  
2 bullets ① JFK ② Gun C

"bullet lodged in shoulder" N.Y. Times

12/18/63 p 27

1/26/64 p 68

FBI Jimmy Rest of casts <sup>12/9/63</sup> + Light

Says "Medical exam of the President's body revealed that one of the bullets had entered just below the shoulder to the right of the spinal column at an angle of 45 to 60 degrees, that there was no print of exit, and that the bullet was not in the body." 4

FBI Supplemental Rest 1/13/64 reprinted

"Medical examination of the President's body had revealed that the bullet which entered his back had penetrated to a distance of less than a finger length." 4

Specter alibi is  
that the 2 FBI's when ~~was~~ unable  
find path of <sup>bullet</sup> pushed out to  
phone the Md. Field office -  
Meanwhile the doctor found the  
path, but by the time the agents  
submitted their reports the FBI ~~was~~  
just had "game to prove."

which

in no way explains 1/13/64 report FBI  
(finger lengths)

which means ① FBI & whole WR no good, or  
② Antagonist report is spurious & was  
changed after 1/13/64

Test is, what evidence or  
actual locus of wounds?

Humes sketch = below neck and

Also Clut Hill Bennett - well - okay -  
may be inconclusive due to ~~unreliable~~  
human elements