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Dear Ms. Kross,

As I remember it, you were surprised when I wrote that I wanted not to waste any more time on ABC News misinforming the people.

I am told that 20/20 last night aired Richard Reeves, one of the more successful exploiters and commercializers whose career was made possible by the JFK assassination, claiming to be the first to report JFK's cortisone need.

Coming atop Gerald Posner's conning ABC-TV News, not bad. But I suppose that will soon be topped with the anniversary this close.

JFK's until-then secret condition was first reported in a medical publication by my friend the late Dr. John Nichols. He was then a forensic pathologist/oncologist on the staff of the University of Kansas Hospital at Kansas City. It was also discussed openly and often at the time of the assassination, beginning in Parkland Hospital, and thereafter, especially in the great discussion of the so-called medical evidence. But it has not been secret since before the late winter of 1966 John Nichols ^{told me} wrote about it.

Posner, as I presume the people where you work have since learned, at least to a degree, has nothing new in his book except the work of others that he presents as his own and did that to the nation thanks to ABC-TV News' concern for telling only the truth. He even used the work of a child as his own and without that had no book.

I have written a book on him and his book as symbols of the failures of the major media at the time of that great tragedy and since then. It is to be published early next year. So if anyone at ABC-TV News wants to learn exactly how they were gulled by a self-described Wall Street lawyer whose brief career there was scut work on discovery and who never took a case to court, it will be apparent in a few months.

Sincerely,

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JFK's Medical Condition
Secret until now -
disclosed by Richard
Reems.

Cortisone Treatment
2x daily