

## Oswald acted alone, new JFK probe finds

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One of the largest private probes into the assassination of John F. Kennedy - one using the most advanced computer technology available - concludes that Lee Harvey Oswald was a lone assassin with no credible ties to any conspiracy.

Investigator-author Gerald Posner, whose findings will be published by Random House next week in a book called *Case Closed*, also says he has proven the widely criticized "single bullet" theory that both the late U.S. president and Texas Gov. John Connally were struck by a single bullet that emerged only slightly damaged.

According to excerpts of the book made available Saturday by U.S. News and World Report, which is devoting a special issue to *Case Closed*, only three bullets were fired by Oswald and over a period of eight seconds - not 4.8 as previously thought - meaning that Oswald had more than enough time to fire his deadly fusillade.

Posner's book also challenges point by point a generation's worth of conspiracy theories including providing a complete contradiction of the recent film *JFK*, that alleged Oswald was not a lone assassin but was in a plot that could have involved high officials of the U.S. government.

Posner, whose previous research helped solve the riddle of what

happened to Auschwitz Nazi death camp doctor Josef Mengele, used the most advanced computer techniques available to analyze the famous film made by amateur Abraham Zapruder.

Many have used the Zapruder film to buttress the argument that shots were fired from more than one place when Kennedy was killed in a Dallas motorcade on Nov. 22, 1963.

But Posner says that using new enhancements and computer animation and coupling that with a new assessment of witness accounts, he has proven that only three shots were fired at the president in Dealey Plaza and each came from the Texas Book depository where Oswald was holed up.

A 1978 House of Representatives Select Committee investigation of the assassination cited an analysis that said four bullets were fired, leading many conspiracy theorists to charge that there was more than one gunman.

The official commission headed by then-U.S. Supreme Court justice Earl Warren concluded that Oswald was a lone assassin - a conclusion that has been repeatedly challenged over the years.

Posner also cites what he called "incontrovertible medical, ballistic and scientific evidence" to prove that the second shot fired by Oswald was the single bullet that struck both Kennedy and Connally.



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By JULIE VORMAN  
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