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CERTIFICATE OF DEATH
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The White House, Washington, D.C.

IF UNIDENTIFIED INDICATE BY USING "A" AND CONSECUTIVE
 NUMBER HERE

1. NAME: President John Fitzgerald Kennedy

2. SEX: MALE FEMALE

3. RACE: CAUCASIAN NEGROID OTHER (Specify)

4. STATUS: President of the United States

5. LENGTH OF SERVICE (Years and months): 2 years 11 Months

6. AVIATION: YES NO

7. GRADE OR SERVICE: NA

8. RANK/DATE: NA

9. CORPS: NA

10. BRANCH OF SERVICE: NA

11. PLACE OF BIRTH (City and State or Country): Brookline, Massachusetts

12. DATE OF BIRTH (Month, day and year): May 29, 1917

13. AGE (Years, months) (Days if under 1 year): 46 years 6 months

14. RELIGION: Catholic

15. COLOR OF EYES: Blue

16. COLOR OF HAIR: Auburn

17. COMPLEXION: Ruddy

18. HEIGHT: 72"

19. WEIGHT: 172

20. MARKS AND SCARS (Record on dental record):
 4" scar 2nd, 3rd and 4th lumbar spine
 4" scar upper left leg, well healed

21. FINGERPRINT - STATE WHICH FINGER (Right index preferred)

22. NEXT OF KIN OR SURVIVOR (Residence, name and address)

Mrs. John Fitzgerald Kennedy, The White House, Washington, D.C.

23. ADMITTED TO SICK LIST (Date) (If on active duty, last duty station before current admission to sick list)

The White House, Washington, D.C.

24. DATE ADMITTED TO SICK LIST (Month, day, year)

November 22, 1963

25. PLACE OF DEATH

Parkland Memorial Hospital, Dallas, Texas

26. TIME OF DEATH (Month, day, year, hour)

November 22, 1963 1:00p.m.

27. 1. DISEASE OR CONDITION DIRECTLY LEADING TO DEATH. (This does not mean the mode of dying, e.g. heart failure, asphyxia, etc. It means the disease, injury or complication which caused death.)

(a) Gunshot wound, skull

APPROXIMATE INTERVAL BETWEEN ONSET AND DEATH: 30 minutes

2. ANTECEDENT CAUSES. (Morbid conditions, if any existing prior to above cause (a), stating the underlying cause last.)

DUE TO (b)

DUE TO (c)

3. OTHER SIGNIFICANT CONDITIONS. (Conditions contributing to death but not related to the disease or condition causing death.)

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29. NAME

John Fitzgerald Kennedy

30. SUMMARY OF FACTS RELATING TO DEATH:

President John Fitzgerald Kennedy, while riding in the motorcade in Dallas, Texas, on November 22, 1963, and at approximately 12:30 p.m., was struck in the head by an assassin's bullet and a second wound occurred in the posterior back at about the level of the third thoracic vertebra. The wound was shattering in type causing a fragmentation of the skull and evulsion of three particles of the skull at time of the impact, with resulting maceration of the right hemisphere of the brain. The President was rushed to Parkland Memorial Hospital, and was immediately under the care of a team of physicians at the hospital under the direction of a neurosurgeon, Kemp Clark. I arrived at the hospital approximately five minutes after the President and immediately went to the emergency room. It was evident that the wound was of such severity that it was bound to be fatal. Breathing was noted at the time of arrival at the hospital by several members of the Secret Service. Emergency measures were employed immediately including intravenous fluid and blood. The President was pronounced dead at 1:00 p.m. by Dr. Clark and was verified by me.

31. DISPOSITION OF REMAINS

To the White House, Washington, D.C.

32.

DATE SIGNED November 23, 1963

SIGNATURE

George Gregory Burkley
George Gregory Burkley RADM (MC) USN
Physician to the President (Burk)

33.

APPROVED: COURT OF INQUIRY OR BOARD OF INVESTIGATION

BE HELD.

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