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October 10, 1995

Dear friend,

You are one of four people who have been chosen to receive the Sylvia Meagher Lifetime Achievement Award this year by the Coalition on Political Assassinations in recognition of your years of research and major contributions to the investigation of the assassination of John F. Kennedy. Your work served as a foundation over the years for the current research community, and your courage and perseverance set an example for all of us. We will be proud to present you this award at our annual conference this year.

A special Awards Dinner has been arranged for the presentation of these honors on the evening of Saturday, October 21, at 8:00 p.m. at the Omni Shoreham Hotel in Washington, D.C. Conference registrants will be in full attendance at the event, as well as additional family members and guests.

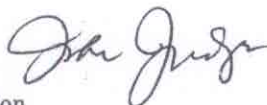
We want to extend an invitation to you, or a person of your choice, to attend, and receive the award. Your presence at the event will be an addition to our annual meeting. If you need special assistance to attend, please contact us.

These awards will be given annually to members of the research community who have made contributions of note. You are among the first four people to be honored due to our recognition of your efforts and contributions over the last three decades since independent investigation of the Kennedy murder began. Without your contributions, and those of Sylvia Meagher, whose name was chosen for the award itself, the public interest and awareness would have died long ago. It is likely there would be no Coalition of hundreds of people who took up your torch, who benefit from your published works, and who rely on you still as experts in this endeavor.

We sincerely hope you can attend and that you will accept this token of our esteem and appreciation for your under-rewarded labor to find the truth in the murder of our President so many years ago. Please contact us soon so that we can make arrangements for the event.

Yours,

John Judge
for the Coalition



Do You Wonder What Really Happened?

"ASSASSINATIONS 101"

A Seminar on Evidence of Conspiracy in the Murders of
President John F. Kennedy
Robert F. Kennedy
Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Omni Shoreham Hotel, Connecticut & Calvert Streets, NW
(Metro Red Line stop at Woodley Park/Zoo), Washington, DC
Saturday, October 21, 9:00 - 11:30 A.M.

FREE ADMISSION

(to area high school and college students and teachers)

This event will be part of the National Conference of the Coalition on Political Assassinations. This year's theme is "JFK-RFK-MLK - New Evidence from the Released Files." The seminar will include forensic and medical experts, historians and educators. Audio/visual evidence will be presented, as well as information on the importance of these events for today's students. Student ID's must be shown at the event, or students can call in advance, and teachers can arrange class visits.

Speakers:

Walt Brown, Ph.D., author of *The People v. Lee Harvey Oswald*, *The JFK Assassination Quiz Book*, *Treachery in Dallas*, and a complete index of the Warren Commission volumes.

Philip Melanson, Ph.D., author of *Spy Saga*, on Lee Harvey Oswald, and other works concerning the assassinations of Robert F. Kennedy and Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Wallace Milam, an independent investigator into the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Eraka Rouzorodu, an Afro-centric educator in Washington, D.C., executive director of ASCENSION PRODUCTIONS.

Cyril H. Wecht, M.D., J.D., former president, American Academy of Forensic Sciences, author of *Cause of Death*, consultant on JFK and other assassinations, will moderate the panel.

Special student registrations, day and session rates are available for other conference events, including a special showing of the updated documentary film on the Robert Kennedy murder, *The Second Gun*, directed by Ted Charach, and a panel on other assassinations, including Walter Reuther and Malcolm X. Call our Conference Hotline (202) 310-1858 for up-to-date information, or contact:

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STUDENTS AND VOLUNTEERS
Second Annual National Conference
Coalition on Political Assassinations
Omni Shoreham Hotel - October 20-22 - Washington, DC

Assassinations 101

A seminar on the political assassinations of the 1960's, John F. and Robert Kennedy and Martin Luther King, Jr., will be held on Saturday October 21 as part of the National Conference. Audio-visual evidence will be presented indicating conspiracy in all three murders by academics and medical professionals who have studied these cases for many years. Dr. Cyril Wecht, Walt Brown, Ph.D., Philip Melanson, Ph.D., local educator Eraka Rouzorodu and others will speak. Attendance by area college and high school students and their teachers will be free of charge. Contact the Coalition for more details and to arrange for the event.

Students

Special student and group rates have been set for the Conference. Full conference pre-registration is available until September 29 to students for \$75, or \$100 to include our Awards Dinner. Groups of 5 or more students can qualify for a group rate of \$60 each, or \$85 each with the Awards Dinner. Copy of student identification must accompany payment. Rates increase by \$25 after September 29. Special room rates are available from the Omni Shoreham (\$105 single or \$125 double per night) until September 15, call 1-800-THE OMNI for reservations. Registration must be made through the Coalition address. Call for details.

Volunteers

Volunteers can trade their assistance for time at Conference events on an hour-for-hour basis, or can put in a total of 30 hours in advance for a full registration waiver, except for the Awards Dinner (\$30). Volunteers are needed in advance and during the event for a variety of tasks, and can also reduce their registration fee at a rate of \$5 per hour credit for work performed. Work hours available days, nights and weekends, arrange in advance with the Coalition. Special skills in communications, typing, audio-visual equipment, public relations, advertising, outreach and organizing much appreciated.

Temporary Consultants

Fully qualified, skilled consultants are also needed currently to work full or part time with flexible hours on specific task areas for a fee. If interested, send a resume and available work times to the Coalition. Background in conference work, publicity, advertising, and/or clerical skills a must.

Highlights

Robert K. Tanenbaum, former Deputy Chief Counsel of the House Select Committee on Assassinations (HSCA) will provide a keynote speech, and participate in a panel on the HSCA with other former staff and consultants. Medical, forensic, ballistic and photographic experts will provide current evidence and analysis in various cases. Academics and researchers will provide historical overview, and reveal new evidence from the released files in the JFK, RFK and MLK murders. Other assassinations, including Malcolm X, Walter Reuther and CIA targets abroad will be explored. Current debate and discussions concerning the Robert F. Kennedy assassination will be presented, as well as new analysis about Lee Harvey Oswald. Among the featured speakers will be Cyril H. Wecht, MD, JD, Michael Baden, MD, Andrew Purdy, JD, Peter Dale Scott, PhD, John Newman, PhD, Philip Melanson, PhD, Michael Parenti, PhD, and Gary Aguilar, MD (Conference Chair), and Walt Brown, PhD (Program Chair).

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"JFK - RFK - MLK: New Evidence from the Released Files"

HIGHLIGHTS AND EVENTS

Friday, October 20

Visit JFK Assassination Records Collection at Archives II, College Park, MD
Advance Press Conference on New Evidence in the Files
Reception and Gathering, Working Panels
Keynote Speaker, Robert K. Tanenbaum, former HSCA Deputy Chief Counsel
Welcome and Announcements from Coalition Executive Board
The Second Gun, explosive film documentary on the RFK evidence
Books, Computer Databases, Research Aids

Saturday, October 21

Assassinations 101 - primer on JFK, RFK, MLK, free to local students, teachers
Panel on House Select Committee on Assassinations with former members and staff
Panels of experts on forensic, ballistic, photographic, medical evidence, previous investigations,
historical overview, other assassinations, Lee Harvey Oswald, and Who's Who?
Investigative Leads workshops, meetings of Working Panels of Coalition
Awards Dinner honoring lifetime truth-seekers in the JFK case
The Assassination Films, latest videotape by Robert Groden
Films and Videotapes, Books and Computer Databases

Sunday, October 22

Assassination Records Review Board meets with research community
Debate and discussion on the assassination of Robert F. Kennedy
Continuation of Panels, Workshops and Working Panels
Governing and Advisory Boards of Coalition meet

Monday, October 23

Public meeting of Assassinations Records Review Board

Confirmed Speakers*

Robert K. Tanenbaum, J.D. - Keynote

Gary Aguilar, M.D.
Michael Baden, M.D.
Steve Bochan
Kathleen Cunningham
George Michael Evica, Ph.D.
Ian Griggs
Carol Hewett, Esq.
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Baba Zak Kondo
David Lentz
Russell McLean
Dan Moldea
Vince Palamara
D. Andrew Purdy, J.D.
Eraka Rouzorundu
Margaret & Arthur Snyder, Ph.D.s
John Williams, Ph.D.

Daniel S. Alcorn, Esq.
Joseph Backes
Walt Brown, Ph.D.
Rev. Mike Clark
Claudia Furiati
Robert Groden
Steve Jones
Brad Kizzia, Esq.
Barbara Lamonica
David Mantik, M.D.
Wallace Milam
Martha Moyer
Michael Parenti, Ph.D.
Joseph Riley
Dick Russell
Martin Shackelford
Cyril Wecht, J.D., M.D.

John Armstrong
William Blum
Gene Case
Frank DeBenedictis
Donald Gibson, Ph.D.
Sherry Gutierrez
Bill Kelly
John Klotz
Mark Lane
Ted Charach
Philip Melanson, Ph.D.
John Newman, Ph.D.
Arthur Pineda
Randy Robertson, M.D.
Peter Dale Scott, Ph.D.
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CONFERENCE SPEAKERS AGENDA

Thursday, October 19

<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Room</u>
8:00 pm-11:30 pm	Early Bird Check-In	Committee

Friday, October 20

<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Room</u>	
9:00 am-5:00 pm	Registration	Hampton foyer	
9:00 am-4:00 pm	Bus to Archives II	Omni Entrance - Calvert Street	
9:00 am	Books, Tapes, Research Aids	Congressional	
12:00 pm-1:00 pm	Working Panel I - Publications	Cabinet	Brown
12:00 pm-1:00 pm	Working Panel II - PR/Media	Council	Peterson
1:00 pm-2:00 pm	Working Panel III - Whodunit?	Cabinet	T.B.A.
1:00 pm-2:00 pm	Working Panel IV - Other Assass.	Council	Melanson
2:00 pm-3:00 pm	Press Conference	Executive	Alcorn
3:00 pm-4:00 pm	Working Panel V - Legal Outreach	Cabinet	Kizzia
3:00 pm-4:00 pm	Working Panel VI - Medical " "	Council	Mantik
4:00 pm-5:00 pm	Working Panel VII - Records/ARRB	Cabinet	Newman/Backes
4:00 pm-5:00 pm	Working Panel VIII - Photo Evid.	Council	Groden
5:00 pm-7:00 pm	Reception & Cash Bar	Capitol	
7:00 pm-8:30 pm	Welcome	Hampton	

Speakers

Dr. Cyril Wecht, Dr. Gary Aguilar, Walt Brown, Ph.D., John Judge, Wayne Smith, Ph.D., Dr. David Mantik

8:30 pm-10:00 pm	Keynote Speech	Hampton
	Robert K. Tanenbaum, J.D., former Deputy Chief Counsel, House Select Committee on Assassinations	
10:00 pm-10:15 pm	BREAK	
10:15 pm-12:00 am	Second Gun (videotape) Q&A with producer Ted Charach	Hampton

Saturday, October 21

<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Room</u>	<u>Moderator</u>
8:00 am-5:00 pm	Open registration	Ambassador foyer	
8:00 am-10:00 am	Historical Overview	Ambassador	Newman
	<u>Panel I</u>		
	<u>Speaker</u>	<u>Topic</u>	
	Daniel Alcorn, Esq.	JFK Assassination & American Democracy	
	Claudia Furiati	Z/R Rifle: The Cuban Files	
	Steve Jones	The Paines: Who Are They?	
	Barbara Lamonica	" "	
	Carol Hewett, Esq.	Ruth & Michael Paine's Car	
	Steve Jones	Ruth Paine: Summer Vacation	
	G. M. Evica, Ph.D.	Iron Sights-Security Stripping	
	John Newman, Ph.D.	Q&A	
10:00 am	Books, Tapes, Research Aids	Congressional	

<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Room</u>	<u>Moderator</u>
9:00 am-11:30 am <u>Seminar</u>	Assassinations 101 <u>Speaker</u> Cyril Wecht, M.D. Walt Brown, Ph.D. T.B.A. Philip Melanson, Ph.D. Eraka Rouzorundu Cyril Wecht, M.D.	Executive	Wecht
	<u>Topic</u> Introduction JFK Assassination MLK Assassination RFK Assassination So What? Importance of the Past Q&A		
10:00 am-12:00 pm <u>Panel II</u>	Medical Evidence <u>Speaker</u> Sherry Pool Gutierrez Joseph Riley, Ph.D. Randy Robertson, M.D. " " Dr. David Mantik, M.D. " " Dr. Gary Aguilar LUNCH BREAK	Ambassador	Aguilar
	<u>Topic</u> Blood Splatter Analysis What Struck John? Skull Fragments Second Head Wound Authenticity of Autopsy X-Rays, Photos Optical Density Measures Q&A		
12:00 pm-1:00 pm	LUNCH BREAK		
1:00 pm-3:00 pm <u>Panel III</u>	HSCA <u>Speaker</u> Robert Tanenbaum, J.D. Cyril Wecht, M.D. Michael Baden, M.D. D. Andrew Purdy, J.D. Gary Aguilar, M.D. Kathleen Cunningham T.B.A. Richard Billings Walt Brown, Ph.D.	Ambassador	Brown
	<u>Topic</u> HSCA Overview HSCA Medical HSCA Medical HSCA Medical HSCA & Skull Wound Commentary " " Q&A only Q&A		
3:00 pm-5:00 pm <u>Panel IV</u>	Oswald Files <u>Speaker</u> Peter Dale Scott, Ph.D. John Newman, Ph.D. Walt Brown, Ph.D. Daniel Alcorn, Esq.	Ambassador	Alcorn
	<u>Topic</u> CIA & Mexico Police Oswald & CIA Oswald: Questions Files May Answer Q&A		
5:00 pm-6:00 pm	Working Panel IX - Fundraising	Forum	Judge
5:00 pm-7:00 pm <u>Panel V</u>	Investigative Leads <u>Speaker</u> William Blum Donald Gibson, Ph.D. Vincent Palamara William Kelly Steve Bochan Kathleen Cunningham Sarah McClendon	Executive	McClendon
	<u>Topic</u> U.S. Assassination Plots Rostow/Acheson/Dulles/McCloy Commission Secret Service Records JFK & Castro's Back Channels Bolton Ford Dealership Robert McNamara and JFK Autopsy Q&A		
6:00 pm-7:00 pm	Working Panel X - Technological	Forum	T.B.A.
7:00 pm-8:00 pm	ZR/RIFLE (videotape) Claudia Furiati, author, Q&A	Executive	

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7:00 pm-8:00 pm	Working Panel XI - Speaker's Bureau	Forum	Judge
8:00 pm-10:00 pm	Awards Dinner <u>Presenters</u> Walt Brown, Ph.D., Gary Aguilar, M.D., Cyril Wecht, M.D., John Judge	Hampton	
10:00 pm-10:15 pm	BREAK		
10:15 pm-12:00 am	The Assassination Films (videotape)	Hampton	
10:15 pm-12:00 am	Robert Groden, film maker, Q&A Videotapes	Forum	

Sunday, October 22

<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Room</u>	<u>Moderator</u>
8:00 am-12:00 pm	Open registration	West Registration	
8:00 am-9:30 am <u>Panel VI</u>	Lee Harvey Oswald <u>Speaker</u> Hal Verb Martin Shackelford Frank DeBenedictis John Armstrong Philip Melanson, Ph.D.	Ambassador <u>Topic</u> U.S. Intelligence Agent Candy Box Discharge Bannister, Oswald, Lee Oswald's Dual Identity Coverup Q&A	Melanson
9:30 am-11:00 am <u>Panel VII</u>	ARRB Update <u>Speaker</u> John Tunheim, Chairman David Marwell, Exec. Dir. John Newman, Ph.D.	Ambassador <u>Topic</u> Records Review Board Records Review Board Q&A	Newman
11:00 am-12:00 pm <u>Panel VIII</u>	Who's Who? I <u>Speaker</u> Mike Clark Philip Melanson, Ph.D. Russell Ian Griggs T.B.A.	Ambassador <u>Topic</u> I Led Six Lives: J. R. Kimble " Richard Case Nagel Files Actions of Capt. Westbrook Q&A	Evica
11:00 am-12:00 pm <u>Panel IX</u>	Who's Who II <u>Speaker</u> John Klotz Arthur Pineda Kessy Keardon John A. Williams, Ph.D. Michael Parenti, Ph.D.	Executive <u>Topic</u> Roy Cohn & the JFK Assassination Role of DeMohrenschildts " Morrow's Conclusions on Oswald Q&A	Parenti
11:00 am-12:00 pm	Working Panel XII - Grassroots	Forum	Judge
11:00 am-12:00 pm	Working Panel XIII - Medical Evid.	Cabinet	Aguilar
11:00 am-12:00 pm	Working Panel XIV - Ballistic Evid.	Embassy	T.B.A.
12:00 pm- 1:00 pm	LUNCH BREAK		

<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Room</u>	<u>Moderator</u>
1:00 pm-2:00 pm <u>Panel X</u>	Other Assassinations <u>Speaker</u> Baba Zak Kondo James Lesar, Esq. Michael Parenti, Ph.D. John Judge T.B.A.	Ambassador <u>Topic</u> Malcolm X Conspiracy Martin Luther King Strange Death of Walter Reuther JAMA & the Reagan Shooting Q&A	T.B.A.
1:00 pm-2:00 pm <u>Panel XI</u>	Records & ARRB <u>Speaker</u> Joseph Backes Russell McLean Mark Lane John Newman, Ph.D.	Executive <u>Topic</u> ARRB Procedures City of Dallas Archives CIA Files: Cover-Up Continues Q&A	Newman
1:00 pm-2:00 pm <u>Panel XII</u>	Photographic Evidence <u>Speaker</u> Arend Kistemaker Gene Case David Lentz Groden	Capitol <u>Topic</u> Photo Evidence in Dealey Blurred Frames, Bad Science Zapruder Forgery? Q&A	Groden
1:00 pm-2:00 pm	Working Panel XV	Forum	
1:00 pm-2:00 pm	Working Panel XVI	Cabinet	
1:00 pm-2:00 pm	Working Panel XVII	Embassy	
1:00 pm-2:00 pm <u>Panel XIII</u>	Ballistic Evidence <u>Speaker</u> Carol Hewett, Esq. Martha Moyer Arthur Snyder, Ph.D. Margaret Snyder, Ph.D. Walt Brown, Ph.D.	Council <u>Topic</u> Silencers, Snipers, CIA The Rifle Critique of Jet Effect II " " Q&A	Brown
2:00 pm-3:00 pm <u>Panel XIV</u>	RFK Debate <u>Speaker</u> Dan Moldea Philip Melanson, Ph.D. Dan Moldea Philip Melanson, Ph.D. John Newman, Ph.D.	Ambassador <u>Topic</u> Killing of Robert Kennedy Coverup and Conspiracy Rebuttal Rebuttal Q&A	Newman
3:00 pm-4:00 pm <u>Panel XV</u>	Call to Action/Close <u>Speaker</u> Cyril Wecht, M.D., J.D. John Judge John Newman, Ph.D. Walt Brown, Ph.D.	Executive <u>Topic</u> The Tasks Ahead Building, Funding COPA Importance of ARRB COPA Members Speak Out	Brown
4:00 pm	Close Books, Tapes, Research Aids	Congressional	
6:00 pm	CONFERENCE ENDS		

Monday, October 23

ARRB Public Meeting 600 E Street, NW, 2nd Floor, (10:00 am)