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Oswald's Mother Sues 5

FORT WORTH, Tex., Jan. 10 (AP)—Five libel suits for \$5 million each were filed yesterday by the mother of accused presidential assassin Lee Harvey Oswald against a Congressman and several writers and publishers.

In the Federal court suits Marquerite Oswald claims the defendants made false and misleading statements about her and her son, who was named by the Warren Commission as the rifleman who shot President John F. Kennedy.

One petition names Rep. Gerald R. Ford (R-Mich.), along with Johns R. Stiles and Simon & Schuster, Inc. Ford was a member of the Warren Commission and wrote a book about its probe of the Kennedy assassination Nov. 22, 1963, in Dallas.

The other four libel suits are against these persons and groups associated with books or magazine articles about the assassination: Jim Bishop and Funk & Wagnall Co.; Stephen White, the McMillan Publishing Co. and Columbia Broadcasting System; Jimmy Breslin and the New York Magazine Co.; William Manchester, Harper & Row, Publishers, Inc., and Cowles Communications, Inc.

Mrs. Oswald's suits assert some of the publications exposed her "to hatred, contempt and ridicule."