Ruby Confidant Quits Game Post

HOUSTON, Tex. (AP) — Norman Hooten, the former Dallas deputy sheriff who says Jack Ruby made many disclosures to him, has resigned as a game warden.

He said he resigned under fire from his superior. But J. R. Singleton, executive director of the Parks and Wildlife Department, said he did not know why Hooten quit.

Hooten was a guard in the Dallas County jail while Ruby was confined there. Ruby killed Lee Harvey Oswald, named by the Warren Commission as the assassin of President John F. Kennedy.

Ruby died Jan. 3 of cancer while awaiting a new trial for the Oswald killing.

The jailer turned game warden says he is writing a book about what Ruby told him in jail. He also said Ruby wrote a will in jail that left Hooten several small items.

Hooten said Singleton told him he had "no business being involved in writing any books about Jack Ruby or knowing anything about the assassination or anything else."