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Dear Mr. Vaughan,

Thanks for the inquiry about my health.

I'm sorry I'm not now able to do the research for you to report the weight of 399. It is in ~~XXXX~~ Frazier's testimony and I'm sure in my books.

I can respond to most of the rest. I can't take as much time as I'd like.

I deposed Frazier in a FOIA lawsuit and asked him the questions you ask. His testimony is that he weighed the bullet on receipt, before removing anything, and never weighed it or any fragments removed from it again - even.

I have problems with this because as he knew without weighing the specimens he could not later authenticate them. Which in fact, not in his testimony but outside the hearing room, Guinn admitted - the specimens did not meet their official descriptions. I had a reporter ask Guinn this.


The other CEs you list I do not remember doing anything about.

Frazier removed much more core metal than required for spectrographic analysis, the purpose of the removal to which he testified. In fact, that test requires so little material he could have flaked enough off with a fingernail. Some later did just fall off. So, why did he take so much more than he needed? Don't know, can be suspicious. They could, for example, be what Guinn was given to test. That way they'd be identical, wouldn't they?

We have no way of knowing the truth, alas. But I do not consider it impossible that those specimens were switched, which would give the results Guinn got

Good luck!

Sincerely,

  
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Dear Mr. Weisberg:

Hi. How are you doing. Fine I hope.

I am trying to find any document listing the specific weights of any and all of the recovered bullets and fragments in the JFK case. Specifically I am looking for:

- The weight of CE399 before any samples were removed circa 1963/4
- The weights of the removed samples and CE399 after the removal circa 1963/4
- The weights of CE642 circa 1963/4
- The weights of CE567 and 569 circa 1963/4
- The weights of CE843 circa 1963/4
- The weights of CE640 circa 1963/4

Any information will be helpful. I would of course pay for any reasonable copying/postage costs.

I am trying to do research comparing the weights of the various bullets and fragments when found in 1963, when tested by the FBI in 1963/4, after any samples were removed by the FBI in 1963/4, and when tested by the HSCA in 1977/78.

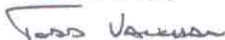
I of course have the data from Vincent Guinn (HSCA506-552) and the HSCA Firearms Panel (7HSCA353-413).

I am trying to find out if the fragments match in weight from 1963 to 1978. Obviously I am testing the theory that the fragments may have been tampered with.

Also, could you send me a flyer for your books as I am looking to purchase Whitewash I, II, and III.

Thanks for your help.

Sincerely,



Todd Vaughan