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On the night of November 24, 1963, HARVEY LAWILL WADE, 818 Donaldson Road, Chattanooga, Tennessee, employed as a Building Inspector, City of East Ridge, Tennessee, furnished the following information:

WADE attended the Southern Building Congress Convention, Dallas, Texas, November 10 - 14, 1963. He arrived on the afternoon of November 10, 1963, and stayed at the Baker Hotel, Dallas. At 11:00 PM, November 10, 1963, WADE visited the Carousel Night Club alone and remained until 1:00 AM. Entertainment consisted of three strippers and Master of Ceremonies BILL DEMERIS (phonetic). A stripper wearing a platinum wig invited a customer to dance with her on stage as part of her act about 12:00 midnight. A Carousel employee, a young white male, wearing a white waiter's jacket, took two flash photographs with a Polaroid-type camera. From the angle the photographs were taken three men seated at a bar connected to the stage, on the right side of the night club, were between the photographer and the stage and were possibly in the photographs. WADE believes one of these three men was LEE HARVEY OSWALD, who was dressed in a coat-length jacket, light-colored, white dress shirt, open collar, no tie, dark-colored pants. The person believed to be OSWALD was accompanied by two unknown men. Number one is described as a white male, early twenties, 5'8" tall, 140 pounds, long black hair, very fair, pale complexion, slender build, no unusual characteristics, dark colored suit, resembled OSWALD in appearance. Number two is described as a white male, 30 to 32 years old, 200 pounds, 5'10" tall, stocky build, long black hair, dark complexion, oval face, Mexican or Spanish appearance, numerous bumps on face, believed to have 1" scar on eyebrow, left eye.

The customer on stage with the stripper was a white male, 5'10" tall, 35 years old, 180 pounds, flat top dark hair, dress not recalled, who had been at a table with one girl and three or four men.

The waitress who waited on WADE and the three men in the group including the person believed to be OSWALD is described as a white female, 37 or 38, 5'1" tall, 110 pounds, black-grey hair, shoulder length, ruddy complexion, very small face.

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BILL DEMERTS, Master of Ceremonies, made a statement following photographing that they were for blackmail purposes. JACK RUBY, Manager, walked over to the photographer, talked to him, and yelled that the photographs did not turn out. The Master of Ceremonies had a memory skit. The person believed to be OSWALD and his two companions took part in the skit. The person believed to be OSWALD and his friends were in the club when WADE arrived and were still at a table at WADE's departure. WADE was seated within 10 feet of the person believed to be OSWALD and his group. WADE was alone and did not see anyone during the visit known to him. He believes he could identify photographs of the men accompanying the person believed to be OSWALD.

The person believed to be OSWALD and his friends were not observed talking to anyone outside their group while at the club. He estimated 75 to 80 customers were present when he arrived and 25 or less when he departed. No other information was available.