

THE LAUNDERED EVIDENCE

Statements of Witnesses - Clifton C. CARTER
Affidavit

May 20, 1964, 7 H 474-5

One of the nurses at Parkland Hospital testified that she gave the Governor's clothing to Clifton Carter whom she identified as an assistant to the Governor.

In this affidavit, Mr. Carter does not identify himself as having or as having had any connection with anybody. He says he had been with the then vice president during the week preceding Nov. 22 and was in the motorcade in Dallas. He recounts a number of things, none of which are of any consequence, such as when President Johnson was informed officially of President Kennedy's death, who he was with at the hospital, the preparations for the return to Washington and the swearing in of the new President.

Nowhere in his affidavit is there any reference to the fact that the Governor's clothing was given to Mr. Carter. Nowhere is there any explanation of why he had it laundered and dry cleaned, if he did. Nowhere is there any indication of what he did with it after it was given to him.

And nowhere, in any of all of the volumes I have gone through, is any question asked about this extremely unusual incident of the laundering of the evidence by any Commission member or any member of its staff.