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**MARINA OSWALD PORTER**  
 Swears Out Warrant



**KENNETH JESS PORTER**  
 Under Peace Bond

**'I LOVE HER'**

## Marina's Mate Gives His View

Kenneth Jess Porter professed continued love for his wife, Marina, Thursday while admitting he slapped her—but only out of fear that she was going into an hysterical convulsion.

Porter, who was freed from jail after posting a \$1,500 peace bond late Wednesday night, had a long conference with his attorney, Charles Tessmer, Thursday morning.

The public airing of the Porters' marital problems was triggered late Wednesday afternoon when Marina, widow of accused presidential assassin Lee Harvey Oswald, swore out a peace bond warrant against Porter, her husband of three months.

**EXPRESSES REGRET**

She charged that he slapped her and that he threatened to take his own life and possibly even hers.

Porter expressed regret over the whole incident.

"I love my wife and my step-children very much and I want to make up with her (Marina)," he said.

The 27-year-old Texas Instruments electronics foreman also told his side of the story.

He said he came home to their Northeast Dallas residence to find Marina's two children, ages 1½ and 3, home alone. He finally found Marina at a neighbor's house.

There were no problems, he said, at the neighbor's place but on the way back home he said he told her: "At least you should stay home until I get home from work."

Afterward, said Porter, Marina became hysterical.

"I slapped her. I was afraid she was going to have convulsions," he said.

He said he then got his gun, not to use on her or himself, but to keep it from her because "of all the troubles she's been through I thought she might try to kill herself."

Porter said he went to sleep on the couch with the gun in his hand.

Mr. Tessmer said he would seek an immediate hearing from

Justice of the Peace W. E. Richburg to have the peace bond dismissed. He also expressed the hope that a meeting with Marina and her attorney could result in a working out of all differences.

In her signed affidavit to Judge Richburg, Marina, 24, said her husband had threatened to kill himself several times.

"We got into an argument today. He slapped me in the face and tried to get me to put the children outside so he could be alone with the gun he carried. I am afraid he might try to do me bodily harm," she wrote.

**CALLS FBI**

Marina had originally called the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the call being made apparently while her husband slept on the couch. The FBI notified police.

Following the swearing out of the peace bond warrant, sheriff's deputies arrested Porter shortly before 6 p.m. He stayed in the Dallas County Jail until 11:25 p.m., when he posted the \$1,500 bond.

Judge Richburg came to Porter's cell in the jail and got his version following Marina's appearance at the Oak Cliff court.

The justice of the peace said Marina had contacted him again Thursday morning and said "she seems to be relenting some."

"To seal their love," added the judge, "they ought to get rid of that gun."