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AFFILIATION/ROLE IN 1963:

- Attending Surgeon
- Prepared written report of his treatment of the President
- Was deposed for Warren Commission by Arlen Specter on March 21, 1964

OBSERVATIONS/TESTIMONY ABOUT THE PRESIDENT:

- The President was . . . comatose from a massive gunshot wound of the head with a fragment wound of the trachea . . . the cause of death was due to massive head and brain injury from a gunshot wound of the left temple --
from *Written Treatment Report*.
- I was in such a position that I could very closely examine the head wound, and I noted that the right posterior portion of the skull had been extremely blasted. It had been shattered, apparently, by the force of the shot so that the parietal bone was protruded up through the scalp and seemed to be fractured almost along its right posterior half, as well as some of the occipital bone being fractured in its lateral half, and this sprung open the bones that I mentioned in such a way that you could actually look down into the skull cavity itself and see that probably a third or so, at least, of the brain tissue, posterior cerebral tissue and some of the cerebellar tissue had been blasted out. . . The cause of death, I would say, would be massive head injuries with loss of large amounts of cerebral and cerebellar tissues and massive blood loss." -- from *Warren Commission Deposition*.
- The X-Rays do not show the same injuries to the President's head that I saw in the emergency room -- *Inside Edition*, 1989
- The great defect in the back is visible on some photographs amongst the full set of some fifty pictures he saw at the National Archives--pictures in which the torn scalp has been allowed to fall back on the President's neck -- *To Anthony Summers*, 1989.

MISCELLANEOUS

- Reviewed autopsy materials at Archives in 1988; appeared on many filmed interviews, including the KRON-TV program on medical evidence in 1988, *The Men Who Killed Kennedy*, and *NOVA*.

POSSIBLE QUESTIONS FOR INTERVIEW:

-Would you please describe the wound to the President's head?

-Would you please make a sketch of the President's head wound, or confirm, or comment on the sketch previously made which has been attributed to you (see page 480 of Conspiracy, in book excerpt provided here in witness file)?

-Would you please examine these later generation versions of the President's autopsy photos, and state whether they are accurate, and whether there is anything that is at variance with what you saw on November 22, 1963?