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AFFILIATION/ROLE IN 1963:

- Attending Urological Surgeon
- Assisted with placement of chest tubes
- Did *not* prepare a treatment statement
- Was deposed by Arlen Specter for Warren Commission on March 24, 1964

OBSERVATIONS/TESTIMONY ABOUT THE PRESIDENT:

- A large defect in the occiput...in the right occipital-parietal area. . .There appeared to be bone loss and brain loss in the area (he did not notice any holes below the occiput) . . .saw the wound of entry in the throat and noted large occipital wound -- from *Warren Commission Deposition*.
- The wound which you marked...I never saw and I don't think there was such a wound. I think that was simply an artifact of copying Zapruder's movie...The only wound I saw on President Kennedy's head was in the occipitoparietal area on the right side -- *Commenting in writing to researcher Wallace Milam (4/14/80) on the large wound on the top and right side of the head in the Zapruder film*.
- The only thing I would say is that over the last twenty-eight years, I now believe the head wound was more forward than I first placed it. More to the side than to the rear -- *To Gerald Posner*.
- The wound, I still maintain, as occipitoparietal...at the time of the surgery itself, we could see a large hole in the occipitoparietal area...the outer portion of the occipital area and part of the parietal area of the skull. I have not changed my mind. The review of the autopsy findings at the National Archives 25 years after the injury merely reinforces my statement which I gave the Warren Commission. I told them there was a 7 cm. (at least) hole in the occipitoparietal region -- *To Brad Parker (3/4/95)*

MISCELLANEOUS:

- Reviewed autopsy materials at Archives on 1988; appeared on *NOVA* and *The Men Who Killed Kennedy*.

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?
- 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 23, 1963?