

Assassination Records Review Board 600 E Street NW • 2nd Floor • Washington, DC 20530 (202) 724-0088 • Fax: (202) 724-0457

May 17, 1996

Mr. John T. Stringer, Jr.

Dear Mr. Stringer:

I want to thank you for speaking with us by phone on April 8, 1996, regarding your role as Naval medical photographer at the autopsy of President John F. Kennedy on November 22, 1963. We found our discussion with you to be useful and interesting from the standpoint of both our search for additional records related to the assassination of President Kennedy and our desire to clarify already identified assassination records.

The Review Board would like to invite you to come to Washington to examine the autopsy photographs of President Kennedy at the National Archives and to provide your testimony, under oath, so that a permanent record may be made of both our questions as well as your responses and observations. Although staff members from the House Select Committee on Assassinations showed you these materials in the Archives in August, 1977, there is no verbatim record of their interview questions or of your responses. Furthermore, additional issues have arisen since that time, making another viewing useful in terms of clarifying the record. The Review Board will of course cover your expenses (airfare and per diem) for your trip to Washington.

The explanatory material about the Review Board and its mandate, which we mailed to you along with our March 5, 1996 letter, describes both our subpoena power and our power to grant immunity. Some people whom we have deposed have requested that we issue them a subpoena for a deposition. If you desire, we will do this in your case, or if you feel this is not necessary, we can arrange for your testimony under oath without resorting to the formality of a subpoena deuces tecum.

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A member of our staff will be contacting you within the next few weeks to discuss this matter with you. Should you have any questions in the meantime, please call Mr. Jeremy Gunn (General Counsel), Mr. Tim Wray (Chief Analyst for Military Records), or Mr. Doug Horne (Senior Analyst) at the above number.

Sincerely,

David G. Marwell Executive Director