

MEMORANDUM

TO: File (Robert McClelland Deposition File)

FROM: Ronald G. Haron

DATE: August 3, 1998

SUBJECT: Telephone Call to Dr. Robert McClelland

On August 1, I called Dr. McClelland at his home in Dallas about his willingness to testify regarding President Kennedy's wounds as observed at Parkland Hospital.

Dr. McClelland was courteous and expressed a willingness to testify. I explained we would like to have him testify under oath in Washington, D.C., where we could show him the autopsy photographs. He noted that he is the only one of the Parkland Hospital doctors who does not believe the assassination occurred as determined by the Warren Commission.

I mentioned that we are also trying to contact Dr. Kemp Clark, and Dr. McClelland indicated he may not be in good health. If we cannot have Dr. Clark testify, Dr. McClelland mentioned Doctors Carrico or Peters, who he said were around although they might not be that interested in testifying. Dr. McClelland volunteered that Dr. Clark did not spend a lot of time in the trauma room on November 22 because he went in and out to keep out Jackie Kennedy. Dr. McClelland also stated that he and Dr. Jenkins, the anaesthesiologist (now deceased), were the only ones to get a good, sustained look at the President's head wounds. Dr. McClelland recounted that Dr. Jenkins has testified that he saw cerebellum, but that he then later retracted that testimony.

Dr. McClelland said he believes a bullet was fired into the President's head over the eye and out the back of the head. He says he believes someone fired from the fence and that "Oswald was a patsy." Dr. McClelland also stated he believes the Zapruder film was doctored.

Finally, Dr. McClelland indicated that he previously was brought up to Washington, D.C. to view the autopsy photographs and interviewed for a PBS program. He complained that, while he was shown some of the autopsy photographs (and I believe Dr. McClelland acknowledged that some were consistent with the wounds he saw), he was not given an opportunity to explain in detail the wounds that he observed.

I spoke to Dr. McClelland for about five to 10 minutes. He asked that we contact his secretary as to his schedule and then get back to him.

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