

Lifton - Reed  
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Mrs. Reed: ES 9-4140

L: My name is David Lifton. I'm calling you from New York. I'm connected with the MacMillan Publishing Company and we're doing a project, and I'm doing the research for a project about November 22nd, 1963 and we've gotten the help of the government and the files to get the names of different people who were at the National Naval Medical Center on the night of November 22nd and we've been speaking to them and interviewing them for a book that is going to be published in about 1981. I have had a tremendous amount of trouble finding you because there are so many Reeds in the United States and someone in the House Committee told me you lived in Pennsylvania and then we went to the Pennsylvania DMV and they came back with no record. And then finally from another file we finally got your correct name and location, and that's why I'm calling. I've interviewed the other guy who was with you in the x-ray facility, Jerrol Custer and I've just spoken to a lot of people there. In fact there were three people left to reach and you were one of them. And I wanted to know if I could speak to you just a little bit because we're trying to touch base with everybody, and particularly what we call the extras on the stage set of history, the people who just did little jobs and who were there and who sometimes have interesting information and we can say - we spoke to all of them. And we were greatly helped, of course, by the fact that the House Select Committee published a list and by the fact that the Navy had rescinded its orders, so we are just functioning as journalists. Could I speak to you now, or is now a bad time - it sounded like I might have taken you away from a football game or something.

J I Well, I've answered a lot of questions over the years.

L: I've never seen anything where you were questioned at all.

They called me - The Warren Commissions called me up --

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L: The Commission called you

The Commission on the Kennedy and --