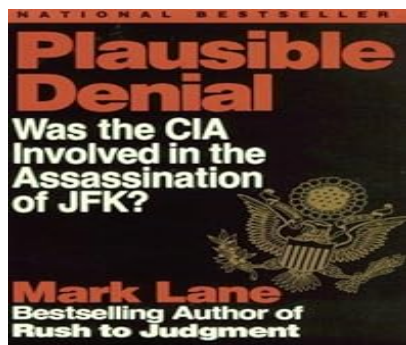


Plausible Denial: Was the CIA Involved in the Assassination of JFK? By Mark Lane A Citizen's Dissent recounts the vast efforts of our government and the establishment media to suppress his investigation into the assassination of JFK and to silence and destroy him for his work. His later works on the JFK assassination detailed the involvement of the CIA through an actual trial in which Lane cross-examined multiple agents [Plausible Denial] and the role played by the CIA and Secret Service [Last Word]. He crossed the country speaking at countless colleges and other institutions about the murder of the president sparking the creation of the House Select Committee on Assassinations.



I was thoroughly entertained and thought this book well done. Mr Lane will think less of me as I'll admit here for the first time that from the many books I've read and the documentaries I've seen I'm now convinced that the chances for a conspiracy are extremely remote. But was it Lee Harvey Oswald who pulled the trigger? 4 Stars = Horrid waste of time = May be enjoyable to some but not me = I am glad I read it = Very enjoyable and something I'd recommend = A rare find simply incredible 411 Mark Lane's brash and brusque demeanor can be off putting even to his fellow JFK conspiracy theorists but no other researcher's criticisms of the Warren Report run as deep or as far back in time as his. As a defense attorney he was appalled by the lack of due process in Oswald's arrest and interrogation (with no lawyer present) the rush to judgment that declared his guilt and the absence of any defense attorney to speak in Oswald's defense before the Warren Commission that he wrote a Defense Brief for Oswald which was published in the National Guardian on December 19 1963 (and is included in the appendices of this book). No one can now deny the CIA's complicity in a cover-up of information regarding Oswald and the facts of the case but proving the involvement of The Company in the actual assassination is much more difficult. It's not as if Lane ever had the chance to question some of his prime suspects in a court of law - not until 1985 that is when he agreed to represent the Liberty Lobby in a retrial for charges of libel brought against it by E. Back in 1976 the Liberty Lobby published an article by ex-CIA agent Victor Marchetti in The Spotlight that placed Hunt in Dallas on November 22 1963 and indicated he had some role in the JFK assassination. Lane's main witness tying Hunt to Dallas was Marita Lorenz who claimed to be a CIA operative and an ex-mistress of Fidel Castro - yet this woman claimed (in the deposition taken by Lane himself) to have spent considerable time training with Oswald for the Bay of Pigs invasion during the time that Oswald was in the Soviet Union. Lane also quotes the foreperson of the jury as saying he had proved to her that Hunt was complicit in the JFK assassination - but he mentions nothing of the several other jurors who disagreed and said that the only reason they ruled in favor of Liberty Lobby was because Hunt failed to prove any malice in the printing of the Marchetti article (which was after all the very basis of the lawsuit). Given the fact that the evidence Mark Lane produced in Plausible Denial failed to convince me of his argument that Hunt and others in the CIA killed Kennedy (and I say this as a person who believes the CIA was complicit in the assassination in some capacity) I was prepared to give this book an average review. Additional knowledge of the evidence Lane chose to hide from the jury and his readers (even though that is pretty much what lawyers do on a regular basis) lowers my opinion of my book even further. The jury found in favour of Lane and his client the evidence strongly supported by testimony from Marita Lorenz telling of a motor caravan of two vehicles that traveled from Miami to Dallas just prior to the assassination with

Lorenz Hunt Sturgis/Fiorini Hemming and some Cubans with high powered rifles in the trunk.

Plausible Denial: Was the CIA Involved in the Assassination of JFK? Written by a lawyer wordy and slow to wade through all of the transcripts and parade of witness and testimony this is a thought provoking work. 411 So I mainly started reading this book because I got annoyed at Chomsky for his repeated assertions that conspiracies don't matter only structures do when he at the same time loves to talk about the Fred Hampton police execution as highly illustrative of certain structural problems. Coupled with his repeated attempts to make his readers despise Kennedy and his general tendency to disparage domestic repression by the state as incidental or irrelevant it kinda suggested to me that maybe Noam doth protest a bit too much. And indeed after reading this it seems pretty clear to me that his repeated dismissive contributions to the discussion surrounding the Kennedy assassination are politically motivated intended to contribute to political apathy when this coming out would've done wonders to delegitimize both the CIA that Noam professes to find so evil specifically and the national security state / US Empire more generally. The moral of this tale: do not trust the intentions of affluent men who work for the military-industrial complex (at MIT) while saying they don't see the problem with that and virtue-signaling that they really care about the people who are oppressed by his employers. ) and read Dirty Truths as well as The Enigma of Capital and the Crises of Capitalism 411 Ultimately Mark Lane's book comes off as more self-serving than it does truthful or provable. Hunt for those who don't know was a former CIA operative who after bungling operation after operation and earning a reputation as one of the most ineffective agents in the history of the CIA an arguably ineffective organization went on to bungle a third-rate robbery of a then little-known hotel called The Watergate. Howard Hunt in a lie is not a hard thing to do by any stretch and Lane's belief that doing so represents proof that Hunt killed Kennedy is more than a little far-fetched. In the court case Lane represented the right-wing group Liberty Lobby (his previous legal work including representing Jim Jones in case you're wondering how ethical the author is as a lawyer). Hunt already had CIA connections established and had been one of the Plumbers arrested in the Watergate break-in during the Nixon administration so it's not like Lane was going after Mother Theresa here. By winning his case in defense of Liberty Lobby's right-wing newspaper Lane claims he had proven that the jury believed the allegation that Hunt had been involved in the assassination of J. What Lane fails to mention is that the jurors saw the case as an issue of freedom of press and found that the article though repugnant and untrue was printed without actual malice. The fact is even if Hunt WAS involved in the assassination it wasn't proven in this court case and the final verdict had absolutely nothing at all to do with JFK or his death. It was a freedom of the press issue from start to finish for the jury who sided in Liberty Lobby's favor even though Liberty Lobby is perhaps even more reprehensible than E. It's also worth noting two facts: that deathbed confession was most likely a lie propogated by an estranged son and secondly if the CIA were going to assassinate the President of the United States - no small task - they'd have not handed the task to an agent that was by that time regarded almost universally as one of the most inept in the entire business. Look how he handled the Watergate burglary for Nixon - you think they'd hire THAT guy to kill JFK?) After reading this book I found it more likely that Mark Lane was a C. NC 411 MARK LANE offers info on Kennedy assasination Fidel Castros wife had american associates CIA was new and Bush sr cover ups Warren commission had over site Oswald was involved with russia There evidence of conspiracy Dead president to achieve public discouse 411

Biography Mark Lane is an author lawyer and activist. A Freedom Rider while he served in the New York Legislature in 1961 he has defended the rights of the voiceless from his beginnings in East Harlem to Wounded Knee where he successfully defended the leaders of the American Indian Movement. He freed James Joseph Richardson a black man framed in rural Florida for the murder of his own seven children from prison after serving over 20 years many of them on death row [Arcadia]. He is a survivor of Jonestown [The Strongest Poison] and was a leader of the anti war movement during the Viet Nam era [Chicago Eyewitness; Conversations with Americans] Lane's autobiography Citizen Lane was published in 2012.

Was one of the first to question the Warren Commission's conclusion that Lee Harvey Oswald was the lone assassin. As a lawyer Mark Lane is obviously a talented communicator and can put forward a compelling argument. And had I been reading this 20+ years ago when it came out I'm thinking I would have been a true-believer as I want to believe there was a conspiracy. I now believe all shots came from the rear most likely the Texas School Book Depository 6th Flr window. Mark Lane was criticizing the Warren Report's conclusions even before the official report was released: His book *Rush to Judgment* published in 1966 will always be a pioneering and landmark book on the JFK assassination. That being said I was most interested in reading *Plausible Denial*: Lane's main focus has always been on the CIA's possible involvement in the assassination. Hunt sued for libel and won the initial court case but an appeals court threw out that decision setting the stage for a retrial in Miami in 1985, Despite the anti-Semitic reputation of Liberty Lobby Mark Lane (a Jew) took the case relishing the chance to get Hunt and top CIA officials on the witness stand: In the process he also claims that he convinced the jury that Hunt was involved in a conspiracy to murder President Kennedy. The lion's share of this book is devoted to Lane's preparations for the trial the depositions he took of leading CIA suspects and the events of the trial itself, Frankly though Lane convinced me of nothing more than the fact that Howard Hunt has changed the details concerning his whereabouts on November 22 1963 on more than one occasion, I can place little faith in Hunt's testimony but Lane really offered no proof that definitely placed Hunt in Dallas on the fateful day, It was interesting to hear testimony from the likes of Richard Helms and James Jesus Angleton of the CIA but I took little in the way of substance from what I read, Additional research about this book has lowered my opinion of its contents - and of Mark Lane himself - considerably: The information that Lane conveniently ignored in this case is quite telling, I really do not think there is much information contained in *Plausible Denial* that JFK assassination researchers can benefit from, 411 Lots of very interesting questions posed by Mark Lane continuing on from his early probe into the Warren Commission verdict '*Rush to Judgment*': Also interesting is the more recent tape recording (2003) made by E, Howard Hunt of his deathbed confession of involvement/knowledge of 'the big event' in Dallas. '*Plausible Denial*' hangs around the Hunt v Liberty Lobby libel trial in Miami in '78 that Lane defended. Although I read this book back in 2003 some fifteen years later I have acquired my own copy to add to my own library collection, In 2017 I asked researcher John Newman what he thought of the Lorenz story: There are errors in the text for instance Lane states that Yuri Nosenko was tortured by CIA during his incarceration in the U, Also in the photo section showing the model of Dealey Plaza the DPD motorcycle escort were never in the positions shown: 411 The explosive facts surrounding the CIA's involvement in President Kennedy's murder presented for the first time in paperback, In 1966 Lane was therst to expose the flaws in the Warren Commission's official report and his bestselling book *Rush to Judgment* revealed that Oswald could not have acted alone, Lawyers will be thrilled to read this since it is essentially the chronicle of a trial but even non-lawyers will be captivated: Lane did a true service to history and justice in writing this gem. Much of the text is self-praise for a court victory against E. Liberty Lobby was a group being sued by Hunt for implicating Hunt in the assassination of J. Hunt initially sued and won a settlement but Lane had this overturned on appeal: His arguments in the book are largely based on this case, Lane hints at this truth but manages to dance around it and weave a tale of the CIA's supposed plot to assassinate JFK out of nothing. Lane's legal work may be substantial but his journalistic work is not and no matter how he tries to spin it he did not prove that E. Howard Hunt was involved in a plot to assassinate the President. (Hunt meanwhile may have confessed as much near his death; that doesn't change the fact that Lane didn't prove anything and neither does this book: disinformation agent himself than that he'd proven any conspiracy to murder President Kennedy, Essentially this book is nothing more than a mediocre slight-of-hand trick by a third-rate magician posing as a lawyer: His was the first voice to publicly question the top secret investigation into the assassination of President John F, Kennedy and his bestselling book *Rush to Judgment* which looked into the assassinations of Kennedy and Dr. He had me hook line and sinker. Howard Hunt. It is a fact that Lane won the case. Thus Marita Lorenz really has no credibility. 411 Cause me to question everything about JFK's murder.

411 Quite dry and didn't finish it. Better by far is Anthony Summers 'Not in Your Lifetime'.and a meeting with bag man Jack Ruby in a Dallas Hotel. For the record he stated that he did not believe it.S. CIA's Tennent 'Pete' Bagley refutes this. See his 'Spy Wars'. Now he continues his ground-breaking investigation. 15 photographs. It just moved along very slow. Not sorry to have spent the time to read it. 411 Absolute classic. Instead start learning about marxism/ml/communism (e.g. through <https://redmenace.libsyn.com/> and <https://podtail.com/en/podcast/marx-m>. Howard Hunt in a civil case. Catching E.F.K.F.K. Howard Hunt (if such a thing were possible).I.A. Martin Luther King Jr..