

# Basic Detail Report

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## "3 DIMENSIONS" signed print on canvas by artist Gregory Thornton

### Date

1968

### Primary Maker

Gregory Thornton

### Medium

Canvas; Ink; Ink, Pen

### Dimensions

20 1/16 × 25 7/8 in. (51 × 65.7 cm)

### Object number

1993.013.0001

### Description

Limited-edition print on canvas of a painting titled "3 DIMENSIONS" by Gregory Thornton. Composition is of Senator Robert F. Kennedy, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., and President John F. Kennedy in full or partial profile against a black background. At the time Thornton started this painting, Senator Robert F. Kennedy was the only one of the three men still alive. The artist painted Senator Kennedy's expression based on his reaction to learning of the assassination of Dr. King as shown in the television footage from the campaign trail. The artist stated, "I watched it as I had started the painting and I didn't stop painting till I finished 50 hours later." The artist signed the original painting in the lower right corner in white or light gray paint in the area that would be the left shoulder of President Kennedy's suit coat. An approximate run of 10,000 prints of this painting were created for the 1968 Democratic National Convention in Chicago. The artist dedicated this print to the museum in April 1993, but his inscription misnames the museum and he calls it the "Dallas Historical Society". His inscription is written at an angle in red ballpoint ink in the white area of President Kennedy's left shirt collar. The text is as follows: "To the Dallas Historical Society My Best Gregory Thornton 4-93" Beneath the inscription in very small black printed text is the copyright information: "(c) 1968 Chicago". This image is not available online larger than a thumbnail to protect the copyright of its creator(s). For a more detailed examination of this item, please schedule an appointment in the Museum's Reading Room.