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Training, study,
Coordination, skill.
Words that have meaning to
Someone in the Secret Service

Protect and serve,
Taking one’s life in one’s hands
Not simply slogans to
Someone in the Secret Service

To defend another over oneself;
A seemingly impossible task.
Self preservation is an instinct suppressed,
Comes naturally to someone in the Secret Service.

Split second choices without room for error,
No second chances, no going back.
Important lives are always at risk.
A burden accepted by the Secret Service.

A subtle hesitation,
Poor coordination, or just a mistake,
May be all that it takes to end the career or the life of
Someone in the Secret Service

Or worse, the lives of the persons in their trust.
Those men and women who define their existence.
The persons who depend entirely on the
Success of the Secret Service
Where survival can mean failure
And success can lead to death,
Life has no relevance to
Someone in the Secret Service

Do your job right, you may die.
Do your job wrong, you may die.
Your charge is all that matters.
This is the creed of the Secret Service.