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# Court Order Blocks Shaw Trial in June.

Federal District Judge Frederick J. R. Heebe has issued a temporary restraining order, blocking the scheduled June trial of Clay L. Shaw, accused of conspiring to kill President John F. Kennedy.

Shaw had been scheduled to go to trial June 11 before Criminal Court Judge Edward A. Haggerty Jr. on the plot charge which grew out of District Attorney Jim Garrison's assassination probe.

THE ORDER, issued yesterday, restrains Garrison and his staff from prosecuting Shaw pending further orders from the court.

The order was sought in a suit filed Monday by Shaw's attorneys. The suit also asked that preliminary and permanent injunctions against Garrison and his staff be issued.

The suit also asked that the findings of the Warren Commission Report on the Kennedy assassinations be declared valid and admissible as evidence to all courts in the country.

JUDGE HEEBE said Shaw's complaint raises "real issues of alleged deprivations of liberty through the actions of the state."

The complaint, read as a

whole, Judge Heebe said, presents much more than a recitation of isolated wrongs, but impugns the entire prosecution against the petitioner and attempts to raise the actions of the defendants, prior to and during the criminal proceedings, to the level of a concerted pattern of persecution of the petitioner and the wholesale and willful disregard of the petitioner's constitutional rights.

Judge Heebe said that because there is a likelihood that Shaw "may prevail on the merits" and because Shaw's complaint attacks the constitutionality of various "pertinent Louisiana statutes, a three-judge court is required in this matter . . ."

THE JUDGE said it would not be possible for such a court to be convened and a hearing concluded before the scheduled trial date.

Under federal procedure, Judge Heebe will now ask Chief Judge John R. Brown of the U.S. Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals to designate two other judges to sit with him to hear the Shaw suit.

The immediate effect of Judge Heebe's order is that the Shaw trial is delayed indefinitely. The three-judge court, after hearing the suit, could rule in Shaw's favor, preventing a trial at all.

ASSISTANT DA James L. Alcock said he is "mystified" about the decision and said,

"This is totally unprecedented in federal and state relations."

He added that his "optimism" about bringing Shaw to trial has been "dampened."

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