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Novel Posts Bond in Ohio After Hold for N.O. Order

Reportedly Will Try to
Prevent Return

Gordon Novel, subpoenaed to testify before the Orleans Parish Grand Jury, was ordered held for New Orleans authorities Monday by a Franklin County court in Columbus, Ohio.

Novel, later released from the Franklin County jail after posting a \$500 bond, authorities said, is seeking to prevent his transfer to New Orleans on grounds he will be charged with perjury if he appears before the Grand Jury.

The Grand Jury is investigating allegations by District Attorney Jim Garrison of conspiracy in the assassination of former President John F. Kennedy and Novel said he will testify he knows nothing of the assassination and will be charged with perjury.

The action to hold Novel came at a hearing on the subpoena before Judge Henry Holden of the Franklin County Common Pleas Court.

Judge Holden said Louisiana had complied with a uniform witnesses act honored by both states. He said Louisiana grants Novel immunity from any past acts but "we can't grant him immunity for anything that may occur in the future."

In the past, Garrison has been unable to get Novel, a former New Orleans night club operator, to testify because he refused to grant him immunity.

The latest subpoena grants that immunity.

Garrison has contended that the Central Intelligence Agency was involved in the assassination and that Novel, "by his own admission in public statements is affiliated with the CIA."

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