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# Shaw Goes Into Court, Seeks Shift

Clay L. Shaw went into court today asking Criminal District Court Judge Edward A. Haggerty Jr. to change the site of his trial on charges of conspiring to assassinate President John F. Kennedy.

Attorneys for the 54-year-old retired business executive have filed motions for a change of venue, contending Shaw could not receive a fair trial in New Orleans.

ADVERSE PUBLICITY was cited as the primary reason for requesting a change in the trial site by the attorneys who asked that it be held at least 100 miles from here.

Dist. Atty. Jim Garrison, who charged Shaw with the conspiracy, heads a list of 23 persons subpoenaed by the defense. Most of the other witnesses are affiliated with local news media.

In addition, those summoned included Perry Raymond Russo, William Gurvich and Mark Lane. Russo testified last year he heard Shaw plot the assassination. Gurvich is a former Garrison aide who broke with the district attorney. Lane, an attorney and author of a book critical of the Warren Report on the assassination, has been working with Garrison in his investigation.

Other witnesses are:

Mort Sahl, a night club entertainer.

Harry Kelleher, an attorney.  
W. Ford Reese, an attorney.

Ed Devenport, WWL Radio, newsman.

Ed Planer, a WDSU television news executive.

George W. Healy Jr., executive editor of the States-Item and The Times-Picayune.

Ross Yockey, a WVUE-TV newsman.

Hoke S. May, a States-Item newsman.

James L. Alcock, an assistant DA.

Richard Burnes, an assistant DA.

William Reed, WWL-TV news director.

Maurice L. Rouga, Louisiana News Inc.

Alec Gifford, a WVUE-TV newsman.

Harold Lida, formerly with WVUE-TV.

Louis Ivon, an investigator for Garrison.

Robert Jones, a WWL-TV newsman.

Lindsay Riddle, WDSU.

Francis Jacob, WWL.

Allan Genderson, WVUE.

In another aspect of the investigation, Gordon Novel is out of jail on \$500 bond after

being ordered held for New Orleans authorities by a Columbus, Ohio, court.

The action came as a result of a subpoena for the former owner of a New Orleans nightclub to appear before the Orleans Parish Grand Jury.

PREVIOUSLY, Garrison had subpoenaed Novel, who fled Louisiana steps ahead of authorities, and the DA was unsuccessful in attempts to have Novel returned to his jurisdiction.

However, a Columbus judge said the current subpoena complies with a uniform witness act honored by both states. It grants Novel immunity from any past acts he may have committed in Louisiana.

Novel is fighting the subpoena on the grounds that he will be charged with perjury if he testified before the grand jury.

Garrison contends 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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