

Ruby Bail Bid Up to Doctors, Attorney Says

PARKLAND DOCTORS have employed drug treatment for Ruby's cancer, which has been located in his chest wall and pancreas.

Burleson said another Ruby defense lawyer, Elmer Gertz, was in Dallas Saturday. He said, however, there is no planned gathering of defense lawyers. Gertz arrived here from Chicago.

The district attorney's office has indicated it would oppose Ruby's release on bond in the event it is requested. Ruby became eligible for release on bond this fall when the Court of Criminal Appeals reversed his conviction and death sentence and ordered a new trial.

RUBY'S CONDITION is considered serious and he is receiving treatment with drugs in an attempt to arrest the spread of the cancer. Radiation and surgery have been ruled out in his case.

The one-time nightclub and striptease show operator who shot Lee Harvey Oswald as millions watched on television following the Kennedy assassination, is in reasonably comfortable condition at Parkland. He has spent much of his time reading and watching television.

His visitors are limited to members of his family, his defense team and medical specialists.

An attorney said Saturday speculation that cancer-stricken Jack Ruby might seek release on bond is "entirely premature."

"That is entirely a medical decision. It depends on the outcome of tests and the drug treatment," said Phil Burleson, the Dallas member of Ruby's defense team.

There has been speculation that Ruby might be freed on bond to allow him to go home and be treated at the hospital on an out-patient basis.

No change in Ruby's condition has been reported by Parkland Hospital.