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Black Rejects Ruby's Plea

WASHINGTON — (P) — Justice Hugo Black of the Supreme Court refused Friday to stay a sanity hearing for Jack Ruby, convicted of killing Lee Harvey Oswald, named by the Warren Commission as the assassin of President Kennedy.

The hearing is scheduled for June 13 in Dallas. Ruby is under a sentence of death.

Black issued a brief order of denial:

"I do not feel justified in granting a stay which will interfere with the orderly and customary processes of the courts of Texas in attempts to give Ruby a fair and prompt determination of his rights."

A New York lawyer for Ruby had asked that the sanity hearing be deferred until a formal appeal in the Ruby case is filed later in the Supreme Court.