JFK Autopsy Material Needed in Case, Claim

The district attorney's office Thursday subpensed autopsy photographs and X-rays of President John F. Kennedy for use in preparing its case against Clay L. Shaw, who is charged with conspiring to murder Ken-

Criminal District Court Judge Edward A. Haggerty Jr., to whose section of court the Shaw case is assigned, signed the order authorizing issuance of the subpena, which was presented by Asst. DA James L. Alcock.

Alcock said that the photos and X-rays, located in the National Archives, Washington, D. C., "are necessary and material to the State of Louisiana in the preparation and presentation of its case" against Shaw. President Lyndon B. Johnson

has ordered that all the material be sealed in the archives until the year 2039.

It consists of 45 photographs (22 color, and 23 black and white) and 24 X-rays taken before and during the autopsy performed on Kennedy at the U.S. Naval Hospital at Bethesda, Md., on the day of the assassination.

Alcock said that his office has evidence that the material will reveal that Kennedy was struck by bullets fired from three different directions.

It will also show that the fatal head wounds were inflicted from the front, he asserted.

The Warren Commission concluded that Lee Harvey Oswald accomplished the assassination alone, firing from behind the President.

The subpena directs Dr. Robert H. Bahmer, U.S. archivist, Cont. in Sec. 1, Page 3, Col. 5

Continued from Page 1

to bring the material to the

DA's office at 9 a.m. May 24. However, Bahmer has retired and no longer is custodian of the Kennedy documents. His successor in Washington, James B. Rhoads, said he could not make an official stand since the subpena is not in his name.

But subject to any future review by counsel, Rhoads said his view is that the Kennedy documents are in his possession and he must abide by the restrictions laid down, under the law, by the donors, the Kennedy family.

Wednesday, the DA's office set June 11 as the date of the trial. The day before Shaw's attorneys announced they will go into federal court to seek relief for Shaw.