

DA IS PERJURER, SAYS ANDREWS

Affidavit Filed in Criminal District Court

Attorney Dean A. Andrews Jr. Monday went into Criminal District Court and charged District Attorney Jim Garrison with perjuring himself twice during the trial that resulted in convictions of Andrews on three perjury counts.

Free on bond while appealing his conviction, which resulted in three concurrent 18-month jail terms, Andrews filed an affidavit charging Garrison with perjury in the courtroom of Judge Thomas M. Brahney Jr.

The affidavit charges that Garrison was untruthful while being cross examined by Andrews, who represented himself during part of his trial.

It cited one section of testimony in which Garrison denied that he planned to initiate perjury charges against Andrews before the attorney appeared before the Orleans Parish Grand Jury on March 16, 1967.

WIDESPREAD ATTENTION

In another part of the transcript, Garrison said he had not told his assistants he thought Andrews was lying in testimony before the Warren Commission.

Andrews received widespread attention when he claimed that after the assassination of President John F. Kennedy, a man known to him as Clay Bertrand telephoned him and asked him to defend Lee Harvey Oswald, the accused assassin.

Garrison charged that retired businessman Clay L. Shaw was Bertrand. A 12-man jury acquitted Shaw of charges of conspiring to murder Kennedy on March 1, this year.

During Shaw's trial, Andrews testified that he lied about Bertrand and everything he

told the Warren Commission.

Andrews also filed a motion requesting that Garrison be recused from the new case because of his personal involvement.

Judge Brahney will schedule a hearing on the matter.

GARRISON DENIAL

Andrews charged that Garrison committed perjury during the following exchange between the two:

Andrews: . . . do you recall me asking you whether or not you were going to put the hat on me because I had heard a rumble on the vine that I'd get the hat put on me.

Garrison: Yes. I recall that phrase.

Judge Frank J. Shea, presiding judge, asked Andrews to explain what he meant.

Andrews: That I was to be indicted for perjury but the way I told it is the way I said it.

Garrison: Yes, yes. I certainly do.

Andrews: Did you make any reply?

Garrison: I'm quite sure I said "positively not" because nothing was further from my mind at the time.

The affidavit charges that Garrison had in mind prosecuting Andrews all the time and perjured himself by indicating otherwise.

The second count of perjury springs from the following cross examination of Garrison by Andrews:

Andrews: Did you at any time prior to my entering the grand jury room, March 16, 1967, convey or give the impression to any of your assistants that I was lying in my testimony before the Warren Commission?

Garrison: No. That would not be necessary. I think by that time it had become apparent to most of the staff in this area that it was.

The affidavit said that Richard Burnes, one of Garrison's assistants at the time, testified that Garrison expressed an opinion on Andrews' truthfulness on either March 15 or March 16, 1967.