

\$350,000 Asked 1967 In Bringuier Suit

A Cuban exile leader who scuffled with Lee Harvey Oswald here in 1963 has filed a \$350,000 slander suit in Civil District Court against a Cuban bar owner in New Orleans who testified before the Warren Commission.

Dr. Carlos Bringuier, who operates a French Quarter store, named in the suit Oreste Pena, owner of the Habana Bar, 117 Decatur.

Bringuier, New Orleans delegate to the anti-Castro Cuban Student Directorate, charged that Pena gave "slandering and defamatory testimony" before the Warren Commission which portrayed Bringuier as "an enemy and traitor to the United States, a Castro sympathizer and a vulgar opportunist."

Bringuier said his attention was called to the testimony—which appears in the Warren Report—by an article in the April issue of *Saga* magazine entitled "Kennedy's Murder—Buried Proof of a Conspiracy," written by Maryland author Harold Weisberg.

The suit alleges that "malicious accusations" have exposed Bringuier to disrepute and ridicule and have crippled his career. Bringuier came to New Orleans in 1959 as a refugee from the Castro revolution.