

Fassnacht Won't Get Guns

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Former CIA agent George E. Fassnacht has lost a bid to have weapons and ammunition returned to him, even though he has been acquitted of criminally possessing them.

Common Pleas Court Judge Ned L. Hirsh last week ordered police to destroy machine guns, TNT, plastic explosives, hand grenades, pistols, rifles and 363,000 rounds of live ammunition.

FASSNACHT'S HOME in the 500 block of Rhawn st. was raided by police on June 20, 1971. The evidence seized was later ruled inadmissible at his trial because police entered the home without a search and seizure warrant.

Defense Attorney A. Charles Peruto contended a great deal of the arsenal represented items collected by Fassnacht, a former ballistics expert for the Police Department, and were properly stored.

Assistant D.A. Karl K. Lunkenheimer said the return of the belongings would constitute a "danger," adding that if a spark ignited the explosives, "2,000 private residences would be damaged."



Fassnacht is expected to appeal the ruling to the State Superior Court.