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# Roy Cohn Indicted in Bribe Case

NEW YORK, Jan. 17 (UPI)—Financier Roy M. Cohn, one-time counsel to the late Sen. Joseph McCarthy's Investigations Subcommittee, was indicted today by a Federal grand jury on charges of bribery, extortion and blackmail.

The indictment, which named three co-conspirators including a former law partner of Cohn, alleged that the 41-year-old financier paid a bribe inside the U.S. Courthouse in Manhattan.

A Federal grand jury recently indicted Cohn on 10 counts of violating the securities and exchange laws in connection with the affairs of the old Fifth Avenue Coach Lines Inc., of which he was a director. He pleaded innocent and trial is still pending.

### Bribe Conspiracy

The new indictment also was connected with the bus line, which has been taken over by the city. All four men the indictment said, were involved in a conspiracy to bribe City Appraiser Bernard Reicher, 45, with about \$25,000 to turn over to Cohn confidential information relating to the city case in condemnation proceedings against the

line.

The conspiracy included theft of confidential information in the form of documents and reports from the files of the city's corporation counsel, the indictment said.

Named with Cohn were John A. Kiser, 44, former law partner in the firm of Saxe, Bacon and OShea; John V. Curtin, 56, a transportation engineer of Bryn Mawr, Pa., and Reicher.

U.S. Attorney Robert M. Morgenthau said that three counts of the indictment charged Cohn and Kiser with conspiracy, extortion and blackmail in connection with the sale of control of the Fifth Avenue Coach Company in January, 1964, to B.S.F. Co.

### Forced to Sell Out

Morgenthau said Fifth Avenue stockholders were forced to sell their shares to B.S.F. because of "extortive threats by Cohn and Kiser to expose the Reicher bribe payments."

He said Cohn was charged in two counts of the indictment of paying a bribe inside the Federal Courthouse between March 25 and June 25, 1964. All four defendants were charged with bribe conspiracy.

In addition, Curtin and Kiser were named in separate indictments accusing them of perjuring themselves in testimony before a grand jury.

All are scheduled to plead to the indictment Monday.