

Hanrahan Dumped From Daley Slate

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CHICAGO, Dec. 20—Mayor Richard J. Daley's Democratic organization reversed itself today and replaced indicted State's Attorney Edward V. Hanrahan on the party's 1972 slate. Hanrahan had been selected Dec. 7 to seek renomination.

Hanrahan reportedly told party slate makers at a highly emotional meeting Sunday, where he was informed he would be dumped from the ticket, that he might run as an insurgent in the March 21 primary.

However, he did not answer reporters' inquiries today. He has until Christmas Eve to remove his name from the primary ballot.

In Hanrahan's place, the party picked Judge Raymond K. Berg, chief of the Cook County Circuit court's traffic division. Ward and township committeemen immediately circulated nominating petitions for Berg. In a matter of hours, they obtained 20,000 signatures, more than three times the required 5,906. The petitions had to be submitted before the close of business Monday for Berg's name to be on the ballot.

Party leaders had been troubled by the extent of anti-Hanrahan feeling that emerged after his selection to run. He is under indictment for conspiracy to obstruct justice in a case involving a Dec. 4, 1969 raid on a West Side Black

Panther apartment. Illinois Black Panther leader Fred Hampton, 21, and an aide, Mark Clark, 22, of Peoria, Ill., were killed in the raid.

But the decision to throw Hanrahan off the party ticket apparently was triggered Friday when the Illinois Supreme Court rejected a Hanrahan petition seeking hearings into how a grand jury indicted him and 13 others.

A debate raged Saturday in party councils over whether to replace Hanrahan. Other party candidates reportedly expressed fear that the Hanrahan case, if it dragged on, could result in defeat of the entire party ticket.

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One of these candidates privately told a reporter he had been spending all of his time in the period since the slating of Hanrahan responding to questions about the prosecutor.

On Sunday, when told by the slatemakers of their decision to replace him, Hanrahan, who is noted for a quick temper, reportedly exploded and said he would seek "vindication" from the voters. He did not sign a legal form provided at the meeting that would have removed his name from the primary ballot.

However, after the selection of Berg Monday, Daley expressed hope that Hanrahan would withdraw "for the sake of party unity."

A primary fight may take place even if Hanrahan does withdraw from the race. Donald Page Moore, a former special assistant U.S. attorney, who entered the race earlier in outrage at the reslating of

Hanrahan, did not make clear whether he would now drop out. Another anti-Hanrahan candidate, Leonard N. Foster, withdrew Monday from the state's attorney race.

Meanwhile circuit court judge Philip Romiti, who has been conducting hearings on the Hanrahan indictment, continued the case until Jan. 7 for further study of the issues.

Romiti said he probably would announce at that time whether to quash or uphold the criminal charges against Hanrahan and his 13 codefendants, who were indicted in August.

Hanrahan has contended the indictment against him was improperly obtained as the result of "pressure" applied to the grand jury by special prosecutor Barnabas F. Sears.

Romiti had ruled there was sufficient evidence of illegal pressure to warrant questioning of grand jurors at a hearing. It was this hearing that the state Supreme Court barred last Friday.