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CHANDLER CASE TO BEGIN ANEW

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Judges Will Air Further
Testimony Monday

Newsman David L. Chandler's case in which he is fighting an appearance before the Orleans Parish Grand Jury will be reopened for the taking of further testimony Monday at 10 a.m., by a special three-judge federal court.

The Life Magazine reporter has been subpoenaed to appear before the parish grand jury in connection with articles which appeared in the magazine alleging that organized crime is rampant in New Orleans and the surrounding area.

He has asked the federal court panel to declare the state grand jury law unconstitutional and claims that District Attorney Jim Garrison is harassing him and attempting to trap him into committing perjury if he appears before the jury.

ASKED REOPENING

The special court composed of Judge Robert A. Ainsworth Jr., of the United States Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals and

District Judges Edward J. Boyle Sr., and James A. Comiskey heard testimony in Chandler's case Nov. 9 and took the matter under submission. However, the next day Cicero Sessions, the newsman's attorney, asked the court to reopen the matter for the taking of further evidence and after a hearing the request was granted.

A pre-trial order issued in the matter lists the following witnesses who may be called by the newsman's attorney:

KOHN REPORTERS

Aaron Kohn, director of the Metropolitan New Orleans Crime Commission; Bill Davidson, author of a story which appeared in the Saturday Evening Post dealing with crime in this area; Mrs. Rosemary James and John McMillan, reporters for the New Orleans States-Item; and Chandler.

Others Sessions said he may call as adverse witnesses include Garrison and his chief assistant, Charles R. Ward.

James Alcock and Numa V. Bertel, assistant district attorneys who are defending Garrison in the matter, have informed the court that they may call Garrison, Ward, Alcock, Pershing Gervais, former chief investigator for the DA, and former Assistant Dist. Atty. Frank Klein.