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# Kennedy Kin Named in Hoffa Trial Petition

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP)—Stephen Smith, a brother-in-law of the late President John F. Kennedy, has been named in a federal court petition as a man who put up \$3,000 that was loaned to a government witness who had testified against a lawyer for James T. Hoffa.

Maclin P. Davis, attorney for Z. T. Osborn Jr., filed a motion yesterday asking that Smith be required to testify at a hearing Monday.

A DEPOSITION taken yesterday said that Smith, without knowledge of who the money was going to, provided \$3,000 to a government investigator, Walter Sheridan, who in turn loaned the money to a former Nashville policeman who had already told in court that Osborn had asked him to bribe a prospective juror.

However, Sheridan took the money back a day later, the petition said.

Osborn was attorney for Teamsters President Hoffa when the latter went on trial here in 1962 on a conspiracy charge. A mistrial was declared and Hoffa and Osborn later were convicted of jury tampering.

Robert Vick, the former policeman, testified Osborn asked him to offer \$10,000 to a prospective juror to vote for acquitting Hoffa.

THE \$3,000 payment to

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Vick allegedly was made in 1964—after the late Robert F. Kennedy had resigned as U.S. attorney general. Sheridan was a special investigator when Kennedy headed the Justice Department.

Osborn had asked that his 3½-year prison sentence and \$5,000 fine on the jury tampering conviction be set aside. Monday's hearing is scheduled to determine if there is new evidence in the Osborn case.