

New Legal Effort Made To Save Oswald Slayer

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DALLAS, Tex., July 29 (AP). —Jack Ruby's attorneys, working around the clock, beat the legal deadline by half an hour as they formally lodged 15 allegations of error against the trial court in which Ruby received the death penalty.

The 15 formal bills of exception, filed yesterday, represent a key effort in the fight to save the former nightclub operator Ruby, 53, was sentenced to die for the slaying November 24, 1963, of Lee Harvey Oswald, the man accused of assassinating President Kennedy. The trial was held in March.

Oswald was shot down before a national television audience in the Dallas City Hall as officers were transferring him to the county jail.

Defense lawyers now have 60 days in which to file the trial transcript and briefs with the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals in Austin.

Joe Tonahill of Jasper, one of the Ruby lawyers, said today that the defense expects to present oral arguments to the appellate court by mid-October.

The errors alleged included little that had not been charged in April when attorneys asked for and were denied a new trial for Ruby.

About 400 pounds of newspapers were brought into the courtroom and physically attached to one bill of exception with a long blue ribbon.

Defense lawyers Phil Burleson and Emmett Colvin, jr., said the shoulder-high stack of papers would support their contention that the Ruby trial should have been moved from Dallas because of widespread publicity.

Ruby was kept in his county jail cell during the proceedings.

Assistant District Attorney Bill Alexander said one of the alleged errors was "an untrue allegation of a disgruntled defense lawyer."

He referred to a bill that asserted that a Dallas police officer gave perjured testimony at the trial.

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