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Judge Matt Byrne, who Nixon had tried to bribe while he was presiding over the Ellsberg trial in ~~the~~ Los Angeles - Directorship of the FBI was the bait - had more than he could take. On May 3, 1973, he told the government that it would have to show him that it had not tainted the case, otherwise he would throw it out. In the end he did and the government did not reinstitute any charges.

That afternoon Byrne released documents showing that Colson authorized ~~any~~ payment of Hunt's plane fares, hotel bills and per diems for a period beginning before that burgarly, July 6, 1971, and extending well past it, through February 5, 1972.

These records were among those in Hunt's safe not "deep sixed." They show he was paid for the full eight-hour day the day Dr. Fielding's office was broken into. (Post 5/4/73)

Colson financed the project, from borrowing the money to advance the initial \$5,000, to getting a contribution from dairy interests to repay the loan, violating the law in using a campaign contribution this way, to putting his O.K. on Hunt's expenses, and even to this small bill and the crime it seems to make apparent is another of Nixon's gang's, unpublished and uninvestigated.