

Watergate Defendant Guilty In Check Notarizing Case

MIAMI, Fla. (AP) — Watergate defendant Bernard L. Barker on Wednesday received a suspended 60-day jail term after being convicted of unlawfully notarizing a \$25,000 Republican campaign check.

The former Central Intelligence Agency operative was found guilty of the misdemeanor after a three-hour nonjury trial before Dade County Criminal Court Judge Paul Baker.

Witnesses included Kenneth O. Dahlberg, President Nixon's Midwest campaign finance chairman, and Hugh W. Sloan Jr., 32, former treasurer of the

President's re-election finance committee.

Baker repeatedly halted prosecution efforts to explore the connection between the \$25,000 check and the bugging of Democratic national headquarters in Washington, D.C., last June, but assistant state attorney David Goodhart did elicit from Sloan testimony that he

last saw the check in April when he turned it over to G. Gordon Liddy, then finance counsel for the Committee to Re-elect the President.

Liddy is one of seven Watergate defendants.

Dahlberg testified that he picked up \$25,000 in campaign contributions while at a Bal Harbor, Fla., golf course.