

Dean Lecture Canceled by College In Fla. Over Booking Agreement

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BOCA RATON, Fla., Feb. 10 (AP)—Florida Atlantic University has barred John W. Dean III from making a scheduled paid appearance April 17 on grounds it would violate university rules against use of facilities by a promoter.

Dean, who served as White House counsel under President Nixon, signed an agreement stipulating a \$4,000 fee with student-promoter Buddy Clark, a senior majoring in political science.

But Dr. Kenneth Michels, academic affairs vice president, said Saturday he has ruled out the appearance.

Michels said the school probably would change the policy banning promotions but "the length of time would be too short to make sure we have everything in proper order" for Dean's appearance.

Clark disagreed, saying two

months was enough time to make policy changes. "It's a terrible excuse, this is just the runaround," he said. "This isn't a commercial venture with me. The only reason I ever got involved in it was the school didn't have the money and I thought it would bring lots of prestige to the university."

Michels denied that Dean's role in the Watergate scandal had any bearing on the school's decision. "If John Dean wanted to come and speak on our campus free of charge, there'd be no problem," Michels said.

Clark offered to pay Dean's \$4,000 fee in return for half the profit on admission fees, with 40 per cent of the profit going to the political science department and 10 per cent to the school's entertainment committee.

Dean, 35, has scheduled appearances at about 40 colleges from Maine to California. Each appearance earns him between \$3,000 and \$4,000.

There have been calls at some schools for a boycott of Deans' appearances and Dean has said if the criticism grew strong enough, he would cancel the remainder of his tour.