## Singer Firm Loses Bid to Dismiss Suit

BALTIMORE, June 9 (AP)\_ A defense request to dismiss charges against the Singer Co. in connection with an alleged \$10,000 illegal contribution to the Nixon-Agnew re-election campaign was rejected today by a U.S. judge.

U.S. District Court Judge R. Dorsey Watkins turned down the dismissal petition after hearing arguments on a series of defense motions in the case.

The Singer Co. and Raymond A. Long, president of its Simulated Products Division, face trial later this month on charges of violating federal election laws through the Nixon-Agnew contribution.

The charges, contained in an indictment returned March 6 by a special federal grand jury here, say Singer made the payment with the understanding it would receive favorable treatment on government contracts.

Also among these named in the indictment was J. Walter Jones, a former Annapolis banker and close friend of Spiro T. Agnew.

Watkins earlier granted Jones' request to separate his trial from that of Long and the Singer Co. Jones is accused of extorting the contribution from the Singer subsid-