

John Dean may have helped expose the Watergate cover-up, but this past summer his Beverly Hills neighbors felt a bit exposed as well. Charging that a second-story room above Dean's garage violated local height restrictions, a group of local residents demanded that it be removed. A case of Peeping John? "Of course not," protests Novelist **Gwen Davis**, who used to skinnydip in her nearby pool. "Still, the federal marshals stayed up there," adds Davis, who has since moved. Last week in a Santa Monica court the matter was settled peacefully when the builders of Dean's Spanish-style stucco home agreed to construct a fence and add a little judicious landscaping. The room will remain, presumably to serve as Dean's office after his release from prison.

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