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Mitchell Implicated

DALLAS—Former Texas Attorney General Waggoner Carr has filed a motion asking that federal fraud charges against him be dropped because former U.S. Attorney General John Mitchell and others instigated the criminal charges to embarrass and discredit Texas Democratic leaders.

Charges against Carr stem from the Security and Exchange Commission's (SEC) civil suit involving National Bankers Life Insurance Co. and Houston financier Frank W. Sharp.

Carr was indicted twice on charges stemming from the NBL stock fraud scandal. He was acquitted by a Dallas federal court jury of 12 counts of fraud last March. The second case is pending.

"This ingenious plan to involve top Texas government officials and political leaders in the SEC suit against Sharp and others was not a necessary part of the civil suit against Sharp, but was a critical and necessary part of the scheme to control the approaching state elections."