

Cancler Asks Sentence Be Set Aside

John "the Baptist" Cancler, figure in the Garrison probe of an alleged Kennedy death plot, today appealed to the Louisiana Supreme Court to set aside a six-month sentence and a \$500 fine, imposed for contempt of Criminal District Court.

Cancler was sentenced by Criminal District Judge Bernard J. Bagert, for refusing to repeat before the Orleans Parish Grand Jury a charge that two aides of DA Garrison attempted to get him to break into the apartment of Clay L. Shaw, and "put something there." The sentence carries an additional year in the event of failure to pay the fine.

Shaw is under indictment as a conspirator in a plot to kill President John F. Kennedy. Cancler had made his charge before a nationwide television audience.

The six-month term and fine are in addition to an 18-year sentence imposed Friday by Judge Oliver P. Schulingkamp following Cancler's conviction as a third offender, on a crime of simple burglary.