

DA Seeking to Get Warren Lawyer for Andrews Trial

The District Attorney's office took steps today to have a Warren Commission attorney brought to New Orleans to testify next week at the perjury trial of attorney Dean A. Andrews Jr.

Andrews told commission attorney Wesley J. Liebeler when questioned under oath in 1964 that a man named Clay Bertrand had called him after the assassination of President Kennedy and asked him to defend accused assassin Lee Harvey Oswald.

District Attorney Jim Garrison, in his probe of the assassination, has charged retired New Orleans businessman Clay L. Shaw with using the alias Clay Bertrand and participating in a conspiracy to murder the President.

ANDREWS, WHO WAS indicted for perjury by the Orleans Parish Grand Jury, claims that Shaw and Bertrand are not the same man.

Liebeler was asked to come to New Orleans voluntarily

and testify Aug. 9 and Aug. 10, and he refused.

Today, assistant DA James L. Alcock filed a request for

attendance by Liebeler with Criminal District Judge Frank J. Shea, who will preside at

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the trial of Andrews. Judge Shea signed an order for Liebeler's return and an order for funds to cover Liebeler's travel expenses.

The order is being forwarded to the courts in Wyndham County, Vt. Liebeler is now living in Newfane, Vt., which is in Wyndham County.

IN REQUESTING Liebeler's return to New Orleans, Alcock said that he is necessary as a material witness in the state's case against Andrews.

He said that testimony here by Liebeler was necessary to show the materiality and relevance of the grand jury's questioning of Andrews and to show prior inconsistent statements.

ANDREWS WAS questioned here by Liebeler July 21, 1964, while the Warren Commission was conducting its investigation of the Kennedy assassination.

Andrews gave commission investigators conflicting descriptions of the man he said he knew as Clay Bertrand.

He first told the local grand jury when asked if Clay Shaw were Clay Bertrand, "I can't say he is and I can't say he ain't." Later, Andrews said that the man he knew as Clay Bertrand was French Quarter bar-owner Eugene Davis. Davis has denied using the name.