

An Effort To Exhume Mary Jo

New Bedford, Mass.

An assistant district attorney left for Pennsylvania yesterday, apparently to see about the possibility of exhuming the body of Mary Jo Kopechne, killed in a car driven by Senator Edward M. Kennedy, for an autopsy.

Assistant District Attorney Armand Fernandes is expected to seek an order for the exhumation in Common Pleas Court at Wilkes Barre, Pa., near the community where Miss Kopechne was buried.

Her parents oppose exhumation and said they will fight it in court.

District Attorney Edmund Dinis said, meanwhile, he will meet with Edgartown Judge James A. Boyle to arrange a date for an inquest.

The girl's father, Joseph Kopechne, pledged he and his wife "will not allow an autopsy" and "will go to court if necessary" to prevent one.

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Kennedy Case Inquest Is Set For Sept. 3

EDGARTOWN, Mass. (AP) —The inquest into Sen. Edward M. Kennedy's auto accident on Chappaquiddick Island will begin in this island resort town Sept. 3, District Court Judge James A. Boyle announced today.

The announcement was made after a meeting between Boyle and Dist. Atty. Edmund Dinis, who ordered the inquest.

Boyle said accredited newsmen will be admitted to the proceedings.

Dinis said he had "no intention at this time" of calling Kennedy to testify.

Dinis had indicated earlier that he would be summoning Kennedy.