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Memphis, Tenn.

A preliminary hearing in a libel suit filed by James Earl Ray has been set for November 2 by U. S. District Court Judge Harry Wellford.

Ray, who is serving a 99-year sentence on a guilty plea to the slaying of civil rights leader Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., filed suit in March against Doubleday & March against Doubleday & Co., Inc., of New York and Gerold Frank, an author.

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