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### C.B.S. to Ask to Join Case Involving a Times Reporter

The Columbia Broadcasting System announced last night that it would apply in San Francisco on Monday for permission to join as amicus curiae (friend of the court) in a case involving a Federal grand jury subpoena against a reporter for The New York Times. C.B.S. would enter the case in behalf of the reporter.

The reporter, Earl Caldwell, who is based in San Francisco, was subpoenaed there on Monday to testify before the Federal grand jury. An earlier subpoena served on Mr. Caldwell Feb. 2 and postponed three times had ordered Mr. Caldwell to present notes and tape recordings of "statements for publication" of interviews with Black Panther leaders.

A motion to quash the two subpoenas was filed in Federal District Court in San Francisco on Tuesday. It will be heard April 3. Meanwhile, Mr. Caldwell has been excused from testifying. The motion was filed by Mr. Caldwell's attorney, Anthony G. Amsterdam, and the attorney in San Francisco for The New York Times, John B. Bates.

### Police of St. Louis County Impose Curb on Newsmen

ST. LOUIS, March 20 (UPI) —Col. Robert Di Grazia, superintendent of the St. Louis County Police Department, issued today an order that requires newsmen to work through a community relations officer to get their crime news. The order, which brought immediate protests from the news media, prohibits newsmen from interviewing policemen or victims and witnesses in a major crime without clearance from the community relations officer.

The Missouri Radio-Television News Association protested the move as "controlling the flow of public information."