

2 MCGOVERN AIDES RECALL SEGRETTI

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Volunteers Say That They
Phoned Him About Drive
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LOS ANGELES, Oct. 19 —

Two McGovern volunteers said today that they remembered talking to Donald H. Segretti about doing campaign work for the Democratic Presidential nominee. Mr. Segretti is the 31-year-old lawyer who has been identified in news reports as a key operative in a campaign of disruption and harassment against the Democrats.

The New York Times reported this morning that Mr. Segretti had apparently volunteered to work at Senator McGovern's Santa Monica office, and the two workers provided additional evidence to support that report.

At least eight persons have told The Times and other newspapers that Mr. Segretti tried to recruit them for political undercover work, but this is the first indication that Mr. Segretti himself tried to infiltrate the Democratic campaign.

The Los Angeles Times said today that Mr. Segretti had spent thousands of dollars in late 1971 crisscrossing the country on flying visits to at least 11 cities.

Three different publications have linked Mr. Segretti directly to Dwight Chapin, a close aide to President Nixon, and to E. Howard Hunt Jr., a former White House consultant indicted in the break-in attempt at

the Democratic National Committee last June.

Ronald L. Ziegler, the White House press secretary, has insisted that the Nixon Administration does not "condone" political espionage, but he has refused to deny the stories connecting Mr. Segretti and the two men. Mr. Segretti has been unreachable for weeks.

Mr. Segretti's apparent attempt to work for Senator McGovern became known when a campaign worker found his name, address and phone number in a file of volunteers. Today, Roger Rasmussen, a 26-year-old graduate student, said that he remembered calling Mr. Segretti and asking him to attend a rally on Sept. 22 featuring Senator McGovern and Senator Hubert H. Humphrey.

"He was very friendly and said he probably would come," Mr. Rasmussen recalled. "I am certain I talked to him in person because of the note I made on his card."

Another volunteer, Mrs. Vicki Daly, said that she called him on Sept. 17 and asked him to participate in a voter registration drive the following weekend.