

McCord Bid for New Trial Opposed

Washington

Special prosecutor Archibald Cox yesterday opposed Watergate conspirator James W. McCord Jr.'s motion for a new trial.

In a memorandum filed in U.S. District Court, Cox said McCord "not only made no effort to present at the trial the evidence now said to constitute a defense but, on the contrary, he joined in withholding it."

Cox also said that neither the arguments made by

McCord nor evidence developed by either the Senate Watergate committee or the special prosecutor "would support the defense which McCord now seeks to raise."

Cox also opposed a renewed motion by McCord for disclosure of electronic surveillance. A search of such alleged surveillance against McCord has already been instituted, Cox said.

In asking that his conviction last January in connection with the Watergate break-in be thrown out, McCord cited perjury at the

trial and the withholding of pertinent information.

U.S. District Judge John J. Sirica postponed McCord's scheduled June 15 sentencing pending disposition of the motions.

McCord was convicted January 30 on an indictment charging him and six ac-

complices with conspiracy, burglary and illegal interception of wire communications.

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