

EX-WHITE HOUSE AIDE GORDON LIDDY He left court yesterday in U.S. marshal's car

Liddy in Court--Thin and Broke

Los Angeles

Former White House aide G. Gordon Liddy, looking thin and claiming indigence, pleaded in nocent yesterday to charges that he took part in the burglary scheme to obtain Daniel Ellsberg's psychiatric files.

Superior Court Judge James G. Kolts temporarily appointed a public defender.

Kolts made the appointment after he had asked the 43-year-old defendant whether he had the money to hire an attorney, and Liddy had replied: "Not unless he

is willing to accept the \$34 I have in my account at the jail."

Liddy was indicted by the Los Angeles county grand jury on September 4 on conspiracy and burglary charges, along with three other former White House staff members — John D. Ehrlichman, Egil (Bud) Krogh Jr. and David Young.

Liddy declined to talk to reporters. However, when a newsman held up a note reading "How much weight have you lost?", Liddy smiled and held up a note that said "No comment."

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