

Bar Move

Segretti's Other Legal Troubles

The State Bar of California will ask for the suspension from law practice of convicted political saboteur Donald H. Segretti.

Segretti, a 32-year-old Los Angeles lawyer, was sentenced Monday by a federal judge in Washington, D.C., to six months in prison for his efforts to disrupt the 1972 Democratic presidential primary in Florida.

State Bar executive secretary John Malone said yesterday a certified copy of Segretti's conviction and sentencing will be forwarded to the California Supreme Court "just as soon as possible, probably within a week."

REVIEW

Malone said the court's usual procedure is to immediately suspend the attorney in question and then refer the case to the State Bar for possible disbarment proceedings.

The State Bar's hearing and disciplinary committees will review the case for pos-

sible "moral turpitude" and, if warranted, return it to the high court with a request for disbarment.

Segretti pleaded guilty on October 1 to charges of distributing phony Edmund Muskie campaign literature.

INQUIRY

Informed sources said yesterday that the bar's inquiry into the conduct of Segretti, President Nixon and four other California lawyers, begun last May, "has definitely speeded up because of all the recent developments in Washington."

State Bar president Seth Hufstедler said from Los Angeles yesterday that he sees "a completion of this process on a prompt basis."