

Agnew Disbarment Moves Along

Annapolis, Md.

The Maryland Bar Association urged yesterday that former Vice President Spiro T. Agnew be disbarred for violating a position of public trust by evading income taxes when he was governor of Maryland.

Agnew's attorneys, in a brief filed with the Maryland court of appeals, had argued that they should not make a special example of Agnew because of his former high office.

The appeals court is the final judge of disciplinary action against Maryland attorneys.

In its responding brief, the Bar said that, at the time, Agnew "was receiving payments and evading the payment of federal income taxes, he was the governor of the state of Maryland, the highest public office which the people of Maryland can bestow.

The appellate court will hold a full hearing April 2 on whether Agnew should be disbarred as recommended by the Bar Association and a special three-judge disciplinary panel.

On Oct. 10, 1973, Agnew pleaded no contest to a charge of income tax evasion and resigned from the vice presidency. He was given three years' unsupervised probation and fined \$10,000.

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