

Judge Rules on Ehrlichman Trial

Los Angeles

Local burglary and conspiracy charges against John Ehrlichman and two other former White House aides were dropped yesterday in favor of federal prosecution in Washington, D.C.

Superior Court Judge Gordon Ringer ruled also that Ehrlichman must go to trial as scheduled on April 15 on a third count of perjury.

The judge, however, said there would be no need to try to subpoena President Nixon for the perjury trial. An attempt had been made

to get the President to testify on the now canceled burglary-conspiracy matter.

The perjury count in the indictment against Ehrlichman charges he knew in advance of a plan to break into the office of Daniel Ellsberg's psychiatrist but denied this in an appearance before a county grand jury here.

Ehrlichman and G. Gordon Liddy have been charged in federal court in Washington with violation of the civil rights of the psychiatrist, Dr. Lewis Fielding.

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