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Washington

Lawyers for former President Nixon dropped efforts yesterday to have his White House papers sent to California, saying Mr. Nixon's health made it impossible for him to study them any-

Herbert J. Miller Jr. had asked the court to order originals of Mr. Nixon's White House papers sent to California so the former President could study them in preparation for his possible testimony at the Watergate coverup trial now in progress.

"At the time of the motion I thought there was a need for immediate preparation for my client to be a witness," Miller said in U.S. District Court. "But because of the unfortunate circumstances since the filing of the motion my immediate need for the documents is not present.

"The matter will have to sit until his health is improved, God willing." In a motion filed last Fri-

day, Miller had asked Judge Charles R. Richey to order original tapes and documents sent to California for Mr. Nixon's study. He had argued that keeping the originals in Washington and making copies for Mr. Nixon would take too much time.

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