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Washington

John D. Ehrlichman asked yesterday for a new trial in the White House "plumbers" case on the grounds that he was not permitted to claim national security as a defense and that former President Nixon did not testify.

Ehrlichman's attorneys, William S. Frates and Andrew C. Hall of Miami, filed an 80-page brief with the U.S. Court of Appeals.

Ehrlichman was convicted in July of conspiring to violate the civil liberties of Pentagon papers defendant Daniel Ellsberg.

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