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In his application for a lower bond, Alch also mentioned he planned to appeal McCord's conviction on ground the judge extended "The judicial role of the court into the area of prosecution and investigation."

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Then the judge said: "I have not been satisfied ... and this is not a criticism of Mr. Silbert the prosecutor ... that all of the pertinent facts that might be available" were brought out.

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Sirica reprimanded Alch for including in his ??? motion, a public document, the fact that in chambers the judge had said "it was not too late for the defendants to appear before a grand jury."

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None testified at the trial, but all are expected to be summoned before a grand jury to tell what they know. Sirica said he had suggested, at a secret meeting with prosecution and defense attorneys Jan. 24, some possible witnesses.

"At that time, I gave the government several names of persons I thought should be called before the grand jury to testify about what they know about the case ...," Sirica said. "Some had previously come before the grand jury and some had not. I have kept their names??? confidential. I hope the government has acted or will act???."

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Prosecutor Earl J. Silbert said later in an interview the judge had suggested six persons as possible grand jury witnesses and all but one of them has already appeared before the grand jury from one to six times. He said if any "new information" was developed – either by the continuing FBI investigation or from the testimony of the so-called Watergate Seven – it would be followed up by the grand jury.

Silbert also reiterated what he said during the trial – that the government has "no evidence" implicating any higher officials in the Nixon campaign in the spy plot.

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