Post-Newsweek Stations, Capital Area, Inc., owners of WTOP-TV, the CBS outlet here

The suit, filed in U.S. District Court here, seeks compensatory and punitive damages for alleged slander, libel and invasion of privacy. It stems from the lead story on the May 8 broadcast of the "CBS Evening News," in which Cronkite suggested that Buchanan had "laundered" 1971 Republican campaign contributions through his accounting firm.

Buchanan is the brother of top White House aide Patrick J Buchanan, whose name was also included in the news item—apparently for identification purposes.

Attorneys for Bethesda ac-

countant Henry M. Buchanan yesterday filed a

\$12-million suit against CBS,

Inc., CBS correspondent

Walter Cronkite, and the

On May 11, correspondent Roger Mudd read a retraction of the May 8 story on the "Evening News." It pointed out that Henry Buchanan "was not handling contribution checks but checks issued by the Finance Committee to Re-elect the President." CBS said the checks were placed in a regular Finance Committee account from which Buchanan could draw either cash or checks at the committee's request.

Also named as plaintiffs in yesterday's suit, filed here by Michael L. Glaser, was CPA Buchanan's Bethesda firm. Spokesmen for both CBS, Inc. and the

Post-Newsweek Stations here declined comment.