

Mitchell Told To Discuss Alioto 'Leaks'

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NEW YORK, June 20 (AP)—
A state judge today ordered former Atty. Gen. John N. Mitchell to make a notarized statement on July 2 for a \$2 million libel suit against Look magazine filed by San Francisco Mayor Joseph L. Alioto's brother-in-law, Rudolph Papale.

The 1969 Look article, entitled "The Mayor and the Mafia," charged that Alioto and Papale were "enmeshed in the Mafia."

Papale said a deposition from Mitchell is necessary to determine if he "activated the massive simultaneous disclosure by five federal investigative agencies reporting a number of alleged Mafia members to the Look authors who linked them to Alioto" and himself.

Papale said he believed the authors were given access to confidential reports of the FBI, the Internal Revenue Service, the Federal Bureau of Narcotics, the Customs Bureau and the Immigration and Naturalization Service.

Mayor Alioto also filed a \$12.5 million libel suit against Look over the article, but two trials ended in hung juries. On Feb. 2, a federal judge denied Alioto's motion for a third trial.