

# Chotiner Story Is Retracted

Manchester, N.H.

The Manchester Union Leader yesterday printed a front page retraction charges it published last April against former presidential aide Murray M. Chotiner.

The retraction accompanied the announcement of an out-of-court settlement of Chotiner's \$3 million libel suit against the newspaper. The suit was filed in U.S. District Court in Concord, N.H. No details of the settlement were announced.

In articles published April 27 and 28, the Union Leader said Chotiner, former special counsel to President Richard M. Nixon, was "an influence wielder on behalf of sinister forces and a political manipulator and schemer."

The articles further asserted Chotiner had "organized three separate political espionage teams," including the one that was caught in the Watergate offices of the Democratic National Committee.

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