

Court Panel Refuses

To Disbar Kleindienst

WASHINGTON, Aug. 16 (Reuters)—A three-judge disciplinary panel of Federal District Court ruled today that the disbarment of former Attorney General Richard G. Kleindienst, who pleaded guilty in May to lying to a Senate investigating committee, was not warranted.

Mr. Kleindienst, who had been given a suspended 30-day prison term and fined \$100, had admitted not answering accurately when questioned about the White House role in antitrust action against the International Telephone and Telegraph Corporation.

The decision leaves Mr. Kleindienst free to practice law.

Mr. Kleindienst, 50 years old, was only the second former Cabinet officer to be sentenced for a crime. Albert B. Fall, Secretary of the Interior under President Harding, was sentenced in 1929 in the Teapot Dome oil scandal.
