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New Orleans (AP)- An FBI agent refused to answer questions from a grand jury Wednesday about his role in the investigation of President John F. Kennedy's assassination.

Agent Regis Kennedy invoked executive privilege during the one hour he met with the secret body, according to Dist. Atty. Jim Garrison.

Asst. U.S. Atty. Jack Ciolino, said Agent Kennedy was ordered by U.S. Atty Gen. Ramsey Clark to invoke executive privilege, which means he would not answer questions.

Alvin Oser, one of Garrison's aides, said Agent Kennedy then was dismissed from the subpoena.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation agent left the grand jury room as he entered -- smiling.

His appearance was ordered during the morning when Criminal Dist. Judge Bernard Bagert ruled the Justice Department lacks authority to block its agents from testifying before the grand jury.

The FBI agent, who is based in New Orleans, had been subpoenaed last week. Government attorneys had asked Judge Bagert to dismiss the subpoena on grounds Clark had ordered Kennedy not to testify.

The federal attorneys said a Justice Department executive order forbade FBI agents from disclosing information surrounding their ~~exist~~ official work.

In ruling for the state, Judge Bagert said the question of privilege must be determined by the courts and not by arbitrary decisions of executives of federal agencies. Government attorneys filed a notice of objection to the ruling.

A report from the Central Intelligence Agency was turned over to the grand jury foreman by the judge before he ruled on the Kennedy subpoena. Contents of the report were kept confidential.

After the grand jury ended its session Wednesday, Garrison was questioned about the CIA report. He replied, "we are going to talk about it with the grand jury next week and I'll comment about it then."

The grand jury issued a subpoena last week for the CIA to supply a picture of Lee Harvey Oswald and another man standing before the Cuban embassy in Mexico City a few days before the President's assassination.

Garrison claims such a picture exists and that it was suppressed by the CIA when the Warren Commission, which identified Oswald as the lone assassin, requested it.

The Dallas Times Herald reported earlier Wednesday in a copyrighted story that Lee Odom, whose name recently cropped up in Garrison's probe of the assassination, is a real person living in a Dallas suburb.

The newspaper quoted Odom as saying the "code" which Garrison claims linked Oswald with Jack Ruby and with Clay L. Shaw may not be mysterious or a code.

Ruby is the man who shot Oswald after the assassination and who died of cancer earlier this year. Shaw is the New Orleans businessman accused by Garrison of conspiring with Oswald and others to assassinate Kennedy.

Odom, 31, said in an interview that "Lee Odom, P.O. Box 19106, Dallas Tex." found in Shaw's address book had no unusual meaning.

The reason the post office box number was in Shaw's address book, Odom said, was that Shaw was suggested as a "good man to see" when he was trying to promote a bullfight.

Odom, who lives in the Dallas suburb of Irving, Tex., said he met Shaw in New Orleans and they exchanged addresses, but the bull fight didn't come off. He added, "That's all there is to it."

Garrison claimed the box number found in the address books of Shaw and Oswald is -- in encoded form -- the unpublished phone number of Jack Ruby in 1963.

Odom said he rented the post office box or his wife did it for him in the summer of 1966. Kennedy was killed Nov. 22, 1963.

"I have nothing to hide -- my goodness," said Odom. "You can call Mr. Shaw that I am ready to help him if I can."

Garrison countered: "The fact that there is a real Lee Odom is not the point. The point is that Clay Shaw and Lee Oswald, nevertheless,

have the same P.O. address in the address books...

The fact that someone acquired that post office box when it came into existence in late 1965 does not change the oddity of the circumstance at all."

Garrison also said the Dallas phone number of the Central Intelligence Agency was encoded in Lee Oswald's address book.

"We have had evidence for some time that in Dallas, Tex., Jack Ruby was working with the CIA at the same time Lee Oswald was working for the CIA here," Garrison said. "This means that the CIA well knew that these two men knew each other."

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