

## Name Garrison To Panel on Assassinations

A national committee to investigate assassinations has named New Orleans District Attorney Jim Garrison to its board of directors.

The formation of the committee and the selection of Garrison was announced in Washington, D.C., yesterday.

Bernard Fensterwald, executive director of the committee, said its purpose will be to coordinate and step up efforts of individual investigators throughout the country looking into slaying conspiracies.

IT WAS suggested the committee's formation came as a result of a belief that a conspiracy may have been behind the slayings of President Kennedy, his brother, Sen. Robert F. Kennedy, and Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

"With the help of a professional staff," Fensterwald said, "the committee ultimately hopes to force the federal government into the thorough and honest inquiry which it has avoided since Nov. 22, 1963"—the date of President Kennedy's assassination.

Garrison has been conducting a probe into a possible conspiracy in the death of President Kennedy for two years.

FENSTERWALD SAID "there are a number of parallels in the three national slaying cases which might indicate a common modus operandi which normally would be subject to official scrutiny."

The Warren Commission has concluded that no conspiracy was involved in President Kennedy's death.

Garrison's New Orleans conspiracy trial against Clay Shaw is set for Jan. 21.

See file, Study Groups, 7 Oct 68; for articles of incorporation and names of others involved.