

Partin Asks Dismissal of U.S. Charges

BATON ROUGE (AP) — A motion filed by attorneys for Baton Rouge Teamster boss Edward Grady Partin says the controversial labor figure is immune from prosecution on extortion and federal anti-trust violation charges.

The motion called for dismissal of the five counts against Partin because federal law provides immunity from prosecution for actions about which testimony is given before a federal grand jury.

Partin was subpoenaed before a federal grand jury in Nashville, Tenn., in the fall of last year.

Another federal grand jury, this one in New Orleans, indicted Partin and Baton Rouge concrete executive Ted F. Dunham Jr. last June on the extortion and anti-trust charges.

Dunham's attorneys also filed preliminary motions in the case. All motions will be heard before U.S. Dist. Court Judge William D. Murray, a Montana jurist on loan to this division of federal court.

Other motions filed on behalf of both defendants complain about printed and broadcast publicity.