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Examiner

Delay in Clay Shaw Perjury Trial

New Orleans

Clay L. Shaw, acquitted two years ago of conspiring to kill President John F. Kennedy, won a two-day delay yesterday in his perjury trial.

Prosecuting attorneys said the move was merely a stalling tactic.

"They have had two years to file those motions," said Assistant District Attorney John Volz. "They waited until the day of the trial. This is a delaying tactic."

Shaw, at his trial two years ago, testified he had never met either of his alleged co-conspirators — Lee Harvey Oswald or David W. Ferrie. Both are now dead.

District Attorney Jim Garrison disagreed with Shaw and filed the perjury charges two days after Shaw was found not guilty of conspiracy.

The motions filed yesterday were based on the theory that it is now unimportant whether Shaw knew Oswald or Ferrie.

The perjury trial is now set for tomorrow, barring further delays in either federal or state courts.

The defense said in its motions yesterday that Garrison has "a financial interest" in prosecuting Shaw and that his recent book, "Heritage of Stone" makes Garrison "a full-fledged member and ostensibly the leader of the scavengers of the Warren Report."

United Press

Injunction Plea Delay In Clay Shaw Trial

NEW ORLEANS — (UPI) — A federal judge today delayed for at least six days the perjury trial of Clay Shaw, acquitted two years ago of charges he helped plot the assassination of President Kennedy.

U.S. District Judge Herbert Christenberry set a hearing for Monday to determine if Shaw's attorneys are entitled to a permanent injunction to stop the perjury prosecution, initiated by District Attorney Jim Garrison two days after Shaw was found innocent of the murder conspiracy charges.

The judges issued a temporary restraining order today saying Shaw would suffer "immediate and irreparable injury, loss and damage" if

the perjury trial were allowed to proceed.

In their pleadings to the judge, Shaw's lawyers said Garrison had a financial interest in continuing the prosecution because of a book the district attorney had written about his investigation of the President's death.

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Injunction Halts Trial Of Shaw

NEW ORLEANS (AP)—A federal judge issued a temporary restraining order today blocking further state prosecution of Clay L. Shaw in connection with the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

U.S. District Judge Herbert W. Christenberry ordered New Orleans District Atty. Jim Garrison to a hearing on Jan. 25 on whether the order would be made permanent.

Garrison had charged the 57-year-old New Orleans businessman with perjury, accusing him of lying to the Criminal District Court jury which declared him innocent of a charge that he conspired to assassinate the president.

The trial had been set to begin tomorrow.