

FORM FOR PICKETING AT WHITE HOUSE HIT

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The American Civil Liberties Union complained to the Federal Government today that the new application for permission to picket near the White House was almost impossible to fill out.

Members of a local environmental action group had sought permission to demonstrate April 22, "Earth Day," and were told to fill out the form.

In an affidavit filed with the Federal District Court here today, one member of the Earth Day Committee stated that four college graduates, including two lawyers, studied the questionnaire and could not answer it with precision.

And at the end of the questionnaire are listed the possible penalties for not answering it accurately: a fine of \$10,000 or five years in jail, or both.

The filing of the affidavit by Philip Michael is the latest move in a legal series that has stretched over two and one half years involving the right to hold demonstrations on the sidewalk in front of the White House and in Lafayette Square Park across the street.

The National Park Service, an arm of the Interior Department, has legal jurisdiction in the area. The Interior Department, however, has disclaimed authorship of the questionnaire, and attorneys familiar with the case said it was drafted at the Justice Department.