

## Rulings Today

# Final Pre-Trial Moves for Angela

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Presentation of final pre-trial motions was completed in the Angela Davis case yesterday with rulings on those motions and one to move the trial elsewhere expected today.

Courtroom observers speculated that chances are good the conspiracy trial will be moved to another jurisdiction, with Alameda county appearing to be the most likely site.

Yesterday's arguments on motions brought a glimpse of apparent compassion between Miss Davis and George Jackson, the San Quentin inmate killed in an alleged escape attempt August 21.

### SUPPRESS

In a motion argued yesterday, Miss Davis' defense attorneys sought to suppress evidence picked up in four searches of her personal effects prior to her arrest in October, 1970, in New York.

During one such search of the former UCLA instructor's Los Angeles apartment, authorities found letters written from "Angela" to "George." The letters were not in envelopes and it was not known if they were intended to be mailed.

Prosecutor Clifford Thompson read an excerpt from one of the letters in court yesterday which said in part, "I have come to love you. It happened so abruptly when I walked into that Salinas courtroom last Friday . . . my love and your love reinforce my fighting instincts . . . it tells me to go to war."

### DISTORT

Defense attorney Howard Moore Jr. objected, saying

the prosecution was trying to use the letters to "distort her (Miss Davis') love for George Jackson and her political activity on his behalf."

Moore then read another excerpt from the letters in which Miss Davis wrote, "an individual act of escape can be an evasion of responsibility."

Also found in that search, and quoted yesterday, was a letter from Miss Davis' co-defendant, Ruchell Magee, to one of the attorneys working with her at the time to combat her dismissal from UCLA.

In that letter, Magee said he had "factual evidence" to be used in a political fight against Governor Ronald Reagan over Miss Davis' dismissal. Magee called the evidence, "a vital matter of general public importance and a matter of high concern to us both."

### SEARCHES

The search as well as the search of Miss Davis' car in Los Angeles, the search of an apartment she stayed in while a fugitive in Florida and a search of her and Jonathan Jackson when the two crossed the Mexican border in July, 1970, are all objected to by the defense attorneys.

Moore said the searches proved that the "federal and state government combined forces to get Miss Davis in jail for the purpose of silencing her." Prior to her arrest, Moore said, authorities had no probable cause to conduct the searches.

Marin Superior Court Judge Richard Arnason is expected to rule on that motion and a motion to move the trial today.