

Court Delays

Mrs. Hunt's

Will Action

ROCKVILLE (Md.)—(AP) —Convicted Watergate conspirator E. Howard Hunt Jr. has failed to satisfy a Maryland judge's questions about the \$10,585 found in his wife's purse after a Chicago plane crash last December.

The matter is holding up final action on the settlement of Dorothy Hunt's estate, Mrs. Winifred E. Scott, registrar of wills in Montgomery County, said yesterday, because Maryland law forbids convicted criminals from serving as executors.

Judge Ralph Shure of the Montgomery County circuit court ordered Hunt on Jan. 28 to show cause why he should not be removed as executor after columnist William F. Buckley Jr. filed a petition asking to be named to the task.

In a reply filed March 16, Hunt asked to be removed and submitted the required accounting of the estate, Mrs. Scott said.

The judge rejected Hunt's accounting because it did not include the money found in Mrs. Hunt's purse after the United Air Lines jet crashed at Midway airport Dec. 8, Mrs. Scott said.

Buckley, described as an old friend of Hunt, had been named alternate beneficiary.