

U.S. Will Not Appeal Release of Ellsberg

Solicitor General Erwin N. Griswold announced yesterday that the government will not appeal the dismissal of criminal charges against Daniel Ellsberg and Anthony J. Russo Jr. in the Pentagon Papers case.

U. S. District Court Judge W. Matt Byrne Jr. ruled in Los Angeles on May 11 that "bizarre" governmental misconduct, including wiretapping of Ellsberg and the burglary of his former psychiatrist's office, had "incurably infected" their prosecution on charges of conspiracy, espionage and theft of government property.