

A Secret Nixon-Donor List Held by Aide to President

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WASHINGTON, June 15 — The White House has confirmed that a secret list of President Nixon's pre-April 7 campaign contributors, which had been thought destroyed, has been in the possession of the President's personal secretary.

The list, which includes amounts of cash contributions, is now under court seal. Common Cause, the citizens' lobby, has filed a lawsuit against the Committee for the Re-Election of the president, seeking an accounting of contributions and expenses of the committee before April 7, the effective date of the President, seeking an sure law. The list has been seen by Common Cause lawyers.

The public interest group learned of the existence of the document in a May 25 deposition to Common Cause lawyers by Hugh W. Sloan, Jr., former treasurer of the Finance Committee to Re-Elect the President.

According to a recent memorandum filed in United States District Court by Common Cause, Mr. Sloan, in the deposition that is also under court seal, "indicated that a listing of pre-April 7 contributors, including those who contributed

currency, has been in Rose Mary Wood's possession.

The chief Nixon fund-raiser, Maurice H. Stans, told Senate investigators that such a list of contributions before April 7 had been destroyed.

The memorandum also said that the citizens' group had received the document from Leonard Garment, counsel to the President, "purporting to reflect all pre-April 7 contributors."

Kenneth Guido, a lawyer for Common Cause, said that Miss Woods had been subpoenaed to appear June 22 with her list in connection with the suit.

The deputy White House press secretary, Gerald L. Warren, confirmed that the list given to Common Cause last Thursday was the same list held by Mr. Nixon's personal secretary, Rose Mary Woods. Mr. Warren said Miss Woods's office "routinely gets lists of contributors because her office is responsible for recommending and compiling lists of people to be invited to White House functions."

Mr. Warren said the list had never been shown to the President because the President relies on Miss Woods, who was elevated yesterday to executive assistant, to take care of such matters.