

Cox May Probe GOP Fund Raising

Washington

The staff of Archibald Cox, special prosecutor in the Watergate case, is considering a grand jury investigation to determine whether President Nixon's re-election organization used extortion and other illegal forms of fund raising last year, sources close to the case said yesterday.

The sources said that Thomas F. McBride, a special assistant to Cox, was expanding his staff in anticipation of a long inquiry into the fund-raising practices of Herbert W. Kalmbach, the President's former personal attorney; Maurice H. Stans, who served as the chief

fund-raiser last year, and others.

Well-informed officials said that McBride had accumulated allegations indicating that Republican officials at one time drew up a list of corporations and individuals "who had problems with the government" and solicited funds in late 1971 and early 1972 on that basis.

Those "problems," the officials said, ranged from pending federal income tax cases of individuals to cost overrun disputes and Securities and Exchange Commission difficulties of corporations.

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