

NIXON BACK-DATING ON PAPERS ALLEGED

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Government investigators have been told by two lawyers for President Nixon that the lawyers "back-dated" his vice-presidential papers to the National Archives in 1969, according to the current issue of Newsweek.

The donation of Mr. Nixon's Vice-Presidential papers resulted in a \$576,000 tax reduction for the President.

Newsweek said that Edward Morgan, a former White House DeMarco, a California lawyer and law partner of President Nixon's fundraiser, Herbert W. Kalimbach, have testified that the copy of the deed that was eventually sent to the archives was signed more than a year after the date that appears on it. This was nearly nine months after the official cut-off date for deductible donations of this type.

Mr. DeMarco said, according to Newsweek, that the back-dating procedure was proper since the President's intention to donate the papers was clear in 1969. Newsweek said, "If tax officials disagree, the back-dating could cost the President some \$250,000 in added taxes—and if there were proof of intent to mislead the I.R.S. charges of fraud could be filed."