Reinecke 'Leak' Infuriates Judge

Washington

Chief U.S. District Judge George L. Hart Jr. was enraged yesterday over what he suspected was a leak in advance of his announcement of the indictments of California Lieutenant Governor Ed Reinecke for perjury.

Hart ordered Special Prosecutor Leon Jaworski into his court for an afternoon session after an intern from the office of Congressman Jerome Waldie (Dem-Antioch) appeared in his chambers 22 minutes before the judge announced the indictments, asking for "a copy of the indictment."

Jaworski told the judge he thought the information might have come to Waldie's office indirectly after the prosecutor's staff notified Reinecke yesterday

morning the indictments were forthcoming.

A spokesman for Waldie said that in a phone conversation with a Washington newsman yesterday morning the newsman mentioned "something may be happening at the special prosecutor's today."

"We assumed it was the Reinecke indictment, and we sent an intern down (to the court) to get a copy," the spokesman said. "We got no information from Jaworski or his staff."

Waldie is a candidate for the Democratic gubernatorial nomination.

Hart yesterday afternoon ordered Jaworski not to give advance notice to defendants who are about to be charged by federal grand juries.

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