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Former Aide Says He Quit
White House Job Over Tapes

DALLAS, Aug. 8 (UPI)—A former White House aide, Cecil Emerson, said he quit last March because he was not allowed to examine tapes of White House conversations despite being an adviser to James D. St. Clair, President Nixon's defense lawyer.

Mr. Emerson also coordinated the Federal Bureau of Investigation's inquiry into an 18½-minute gap in a crucial Presidential tape on Watergate. He said that J. Fred Buzhardt Jr., another counsel to the President, excluded everyone but himself from listening to subpoenaed tapes.

"I couldn't ever figure out who was concealing what," Mr. Emerson said. "But I knew something was being concealed."