

Ruckelshaus Favors Amnesty In Watergate

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Former Deputy Attorney General William Ruckelshaus has urged in a letter to the editors of Time magazine that either all of the Watergate conspirators, including former President Nixon, be prosecuted or they all be granted immunity.

In the letter, printed in the current edition of the news weekly, Ruckelshaus, who was fired by Mr. Nixon last October when he refused to fire then special Watergate prosecutor Archibald Cox, indicated he favored amnesty for the former chief executive.

"There is nothing to be gained by further punishment of former President Nixon," he wrote. "He has already suffered enormously, and our society would not benefit from prolonged vindictiveness."

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