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**Lawyers for 2 Indians Seek Curbs on Marshals**

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ST. PAUL, Aug. 18—Defense attorneys for Russell C. Means and Dennis J. Banks have asked that Federal marshals not be allowed to communicate with the jury when it begins deliberating the charges against the two for their part in last year's Indian uprising in Wounded Knee, S.D.

The attorneys alleged in an affidavit that in several recent trials, including that of two former Nixon aides, John N. Mitchell and Maurice H. Stans, in New York City, marshals had tried to influence jurors.

The trial of Mr. Banks and Mr. Means, which began Jan. 7, is expected to be ready for

jury deliberation in about a week. Judge Fred J. Nichol of Federal District Court has not set a date yet for a hearing on the defense motion.

The allegations of misconduct in other trials by marshals were based on sworn statements by Dr. Jay Schulman, a New York City sociologist who said he had interviewed 10 of the 12 jurors who acquitted Mr. Mitchell and Mr. Stans, by jurors in the Gainesville, Fla., trial of eight Vietnam veterans accused of planning violence at the Republican National Convention in Miami Beach in 1972, and by William M. Kunstler, the lawyer and civil rights advocate.

Mr. Kunstler said marshals tried to influence jury verdicts in two of the recent cases—one involving Mark Dellinger, the antiwar activist, and the trial of the Chicago Seven, and the other involving several Negroes accused of murdering whites at a golf course in the Virgin Islands.

The Wounded Knee defense team also said that because one marshal was paralyzed by a sniper's bullet in last year's 71-day standoff between the Government and the Indians, marshals might have a personal interest in the outcome of the cases against Mr. Means and Mr. Banks.