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Judge Amends Order on Nixon Tapes

Washington

U. S. District Judge Charles R. Richey issued an amended order yesterday that relaxed slightly the freeze he had put on Richard M. Nixon's presidential papers.

Richey kept his requirement that the papers and tapes be kept in Washington at least temporarily but he opened them up to former White House staff members being tried or investigated.

The original order, issued Monday, blocked at least temporarily the arrangement reached between Mr. Nixon and Mr. Ford on disposition of the tapes and documents at the time Mr. Nixon's pardon was negotiated.

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