

What**Jaworski****Knew**

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Former Watergate prosecutor Leon Jaworski said yesterday he was certain of ex-President Richard Nixon's involvement in the Watergate coverup as early as December, 1973, but was powerless to do anything about it.

In an interview with People magazine, Jaworski said he could not act because his conclusions were based on secret grand jury proceedings and confidential White House material.

"I had to witness former President Nixon getting up before the American people and talking differently from what I knew the facts to be," he said.

He added, "It was very difficult to keep quiet, but I knew that there would be a day of reckoning."

Jaworski, who left the prosecutor's post in October, said that he was disappointed most by Mr. Nixon's failure to tell the truth and added that if he had done so at the start, "the whole thing would have blown over."

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