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3 Guilty in Coverup Ask Acquittal

Washington

Three of former President Nixon's aides convicted in the Watergate coverup trial filed motions yesterday for a judgement of acquittal or a new trial.

The motions were filed by John Mitchell, who was attorney general and Mr. Nixon's campaign director; H.R. Haldeman, White House chief of staff; and Robert Mardian, assistant attorney general and a campaign aide.

Their motions were filed on the deadline for such applications. The fourth aide convicted in the trial, former White House domestic affairs chief John Ehrlichman, filed motions earlier.

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