

Dean Sells His Book

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Former White House counsel John W. Dean III has sold his Watergate story to Simon and Schuster, the New York publishers, for about \$300,000.

Negotiations were completed over the weekend, and the firm also agreed to buy the hard cover version

of Maureen Dean's memoirs, tentatively titled "Mo."

"Mo" will be printed in paperback by Bantam Books.

Richard Snyder, Simon and Schuster's executive vice president, said yesterday he met over the weekend with the Deans and their agent, David Obst, at the

Watergate witness' hillside home in Los Angeles.

"We chatted. He presented me with an outline. I also viewed some of his writing," Snyder said. He said there had been several conferences in California before the deal was completed.

The publishing executive said Dean would write the

book himself and it would be his personal story of his deep involvement in the events which eventually led to the resignation of former President Nixon.

Mrs. Dean's book is being written with Hays Gorey, Washington reporter with Time magazine.

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