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Colson Loses Law License

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The Virginia Supreme Court yesterday revoked the law license of former presidential adviser Charles W. Colson.

The court, in a one-line decision, agreed with the Virginia Bar Association, which had brought proceedings against Colson after he was sentenced to prison for violating the rights of Daniel Ellsberg following publication of the Pentagon Papers.

Colson, 42, pleaded guilty to violating Ellsberg's rights by directing a smear campaign he said was ordered by former President Nixon.

Colson was sentenced last June 21 to serve one to three years in prison and to pay a \$5000 fine.

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