

New Ehrlichman Bar Suspension

John Ehrlichman and Robert C. Mardian, convicted Watergate conspirators, were suspended indefinitely yesterday from practicing law in California.

It was the second time in less than a year that Ehrlichman, one of former President Nixon's top aides, had been suspended — last September 12, he was suspended for lying to a grand jury.

Yesterday's order by the California Supreme Court was the result of recommendations from the State Bar. The bar took final action after the two lawyers were convicted New Year's day at

the Watergate coverup trial in Washington.

Both lawyers were schooled in California and later admitted to the State Bar — a requirement for practicing law in this state.

A court spokesman said the suspensions are indefinite until the outcome of the two lawyers' appeals are known. If their convictions are upheld, they could then be suspended from law practice for an indefinite time or disbarred.

Mr. Nixon resigned from the State Bar last September, a pardon from President Ford, shortly after receiving Ford.