Judge to Get Secret Agnew Papers

Baltimore

The Justice Department "expects to comply" with a federal court order to hand over today the first batch of secret papers in the 1973 investigation of Spiro Agnew, a department spokesman said last night.

U.S. District Judge June Green issued the order to the U.S. attorney for Maryland on December 23 after three George Washington University law students filed suit under the Freedom of Information Act seeking release of all confidential court materials in the former vice president's case.

"Judge Green has an order outstanding against the Justice Department. That order requires that we turn over certain documents tomorrow — we expect to comply," Justice Department spokesman Mark Sheehan said last night.

Agnew pleaded no contest to a single count of tax evasion. He resigned from office-Oct. 10, 1973, and was fined \$10,000 and placed on unsupervised probation. Agnew has consistently denied the allegations.

The documents to be turned over to the judge today include four affidavits by key prosecution witnesses in the case against the former vice president.

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