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Atlanta, Ga., June 30 (AP)- A Colorado gun collector has asked a federal court to declare him the rightful owner of Lee Harvey Oswald's guns -- identified as those used to kill President John F. Kennedy and Dallas policeman J.D. Tippitt.

The federal government wants to retain the guns -- without having to pay the collector, John J. King, for them.

After hearing arguments in the dispute yesterday, a three-judge panel of the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals took the case under advisement. There was no indication when a ruling would be made; but the government asked that it be speedy since a new law goes into effect in November which would allow anyone who claims ownership of evidence seized after the assassination of a president to sue the government for just compensation.

King's attorney argued that a payment of \$10,000 was made to Oswald's widow for the guns and that the government's claim that Oswald bought them illegally -- under an assumed name -- should not affect the purchase.

Assistant U.S. attorney B.H. Timmons of Dallas said it is the government's view that King "is nothing more than a ~~xxxx~~ trespasser or meddler" and that he knew he would not get the guns from the government.

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