

Oilman Sues Government For Seizing Oswald Rifle

DENVER (UPI) — John J. King, a Denver oilman, has renewed his legal efforts to gain financial compensation for the Italian rifle used to assassinate President John F. Kennedy.

Lawyers for Mr. King asked Judge William Doyle, of the United States District Court, to award damages against the Government. Mr. King said he had lost several thousand dollars since the Government confiscated the weapon.

His lawyer asked for \$5-million damages because Mr. King contends the confiscated weapon has great historic value.

Mr. King said he had purchased the 6.5-mm Mannlicher-Carcano carbine from the widow of Lee Harvey Oswald, accused assassin of President Kennedy. Mr. King said he had paid \$10,000 and agreed to pay Mrs. Marina Oswald Porter another \$35,000 after the weapon had been delivered.