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Dallas, May 25 (AP)- District Judge Joe B. Brown prediected today Jack Ruby will never die in the electric chair.

Judge Brown said in an interview he believed Ruby's death sentence, if affirmed by higher courts, will be commuted to life in prison by the board of pardons and paroles.

The judge who presided at Ruby's murder trial emphatically denied that he had any intention of recommending that Ruby's sentence be changed. <sup>H</sup>e said, however, he did not feel that public opinion fagored the execution of Ruby.

"After all, we are talking about a man who killed the man who assassinated President Kennedy," he said.

Judge Brown said he welcomed the opportunity to testify at a planned hearing on whether he should be disqualified from the Ruby case. Defense attorneys contend that since he is writing a book on the case he should step down.

The judge, who says he is writing a book and has received a \$5,000 advance, gave this reason:

"I wanted to clear up the distortion, the exaggeration and the untruths which have been printed about the Jack Ruby trial."

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