

From the "Things I Can't Talk About Department:

HR sent this NYT 12/20/72 UPI clip on Judge Heebe setting the Shaw civil suit for June 18. Heebe should disqualify himself from anything involving Shaw and Garrison but won't because he is a partisan. This story is confidential because it is not it can hurt my source. When the Wegmann firm filed one of its legal pleadings before Heebe, Heebe considered it one of the poorer examples of legal craftsmanship. However, he was not content to act on it without effort. This included calling in a very bright younger lawyer who is an expert in Constitutional law and has many cases before that federal court and Heebe. He offered him \$5,000 for a brief amicus curiae and a partnership, meaning great wealth, in the Wegmann firm if it were as good as Heebe expected. My source is a solid citizen in a position to know, with Kennedy connections he'd have used to help me in FPI cases had it not been for the critical excesses, Lanes, Garrison's and I don't now remember clearly what others that coincided with his promise. This experience also influences my attitude to the endless search for audience by the wilder one. If there was more than one, one like this is more than enough for learning. He had a specific Kennedy lawyer in mind, a man now attorney general of a large state. They were connected. He took me to a very fine lunch when we were both in N.O. at a good German restaurant, Kolb's, where we talked it all over. HW 12/26/72

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Shaw-Garrison Trial Set
NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 19
(UPI)—The trial of Clay Shaw's \$5-million damage suit against District Attorney Jim Garrison and some of Mr. Garrison's wealthy friends will begin June 18. United States District Judge Frederick J. R. Heebe set the trial date yesterday during a conference with attorneys.