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March 3, 1971

Hon. James Macgill
Circuit Court
Howard County
3450 Court House Drive
Ellicott City, Maryland

Re: State of Maryland v.
H. Rap Brown - No. 4859

Dear Judge Macgill:

Pursuant to our conversation this morning, I am hereby formally applying for the setting of oral argument on the motion to dismiss the arson count of the indictment in the above case for Friday, March 19, 1971, at 2:00 P.M. in Ellicott City. As we discussed, said oral argument will be limited to the issues of whether (1) the count in question should be dismissed at once, or, in the alternative, (2) defendant is entitled to an evidentiary hearing thereon.

As I mentioned to you, I expect to be engaged in a conspiracy to murder trial in New York City at that time, but I will be free on Fridays because it is a day of religious observance for my clients in that case.

I understand that this date and time are convenient to you and I hope that they will be equally convenient for the representative of the State. I have sent copies of this letter to Messrs. Yates and Kinlein as well, and they will, I am sure, contact you directly should they have any difficulty with Friday, March 19, 1971. In addition, I have also sent a copy hereof to the Attorney General of the State of Maryland for information purposes.

Thank you very much for your courtesy and cooperation in this matter.

Respectfully yours,

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