

GIBSON ACCEPTED AS SUIT COUNSEL

CORE Dropping Motion To Remove Defense Lawyer

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Lawyers for the Congress of Racial Equality told the Federal Court yesterday they wanted to drop a special motion that sought to remove Larry S. Gibson as defense lawyer for seven people sued by the national office.

William H. Murphy, Jr., attorney for the national office of CORE, told Judge Roszel C. Thomsen that he would withdraw the motion as a result of a hearing held Tuesday.

National Office Suit

Mr. Gibson, who is also a city school commissioner, is representing a group of local persons sued for \$3.6 million by the national office of CORE. CORE also seeks an injunction against efforts by the local group to set up poverty programs.

Mr. Murphy told the court yesterday that he was satisfied that Mr. Gibson "was not involved in any conflict-of-interest situation" in filing papers as a defense attorney.

He added that "he was sorry to inconvenience Mr. Gibson" by making him appear at the hearing on the motion held by Judge Thomsen.

A hearing on a motion to dismiss the suit, filed by Mr. Gibson, will be heard later by Judge Thomsen.