

**"Proof positive WSPF worried about Dean's changed testimony"**  
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WATERGATE SPECIAL PROSECUTION FORCE

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

## Memorandum

TO : Larry Iason

DATE: October 2, 1974

FROM : Jim Neal

SUBJECT: John Dean's Contacts and Information Imparted  
to the Original Prosecutors

Larry, I need for you to prepare today while we are picking the jury, a summary day-by-day of the information imparted by Dean to Silbert, Glanzer, et al. It should start with April 18 through May 25, 1973. I don't need extensive information, just the development. We need to show, if it's a fact, that Dean was giving the prosecutors information in a chronological manner, rather than as an "escalation" to higher-ups in order to get immunity as implied in the memorandum from Silbert to Cox dated May 31, 1973. In other words, Dean states that he did start with pre-break-in period for two reasons: First, because it appeared to be the focal point of the investigation at that time; and second, because in early April he admittedly hoped to avoid an investigation into the cover-up, not only for himself but for others. He states, however, that as the meetings progressed and as they continued to probe, it became impossible to explain what happened pre-June 17 without explaining the matters that happened thereafter, and that his revelations proceeded on a chronological basis.

Dean states, further, that he advised Shaffer in his early meetings with him that he wanted to tell the story of Watergate. It was Shaffer's idea that Shaffer seek immunity for Dean. Dean agreed that that would be fine but he continued on the course of commitment to tell the story with immunity if he could get it, or without immunity if he could not.

Larry, we need to be prepared either on direct of Dean or re-direct or in rebuttal to support this story and I need you to analyze the original prosecutors' notes, Silbert's diary, and the above-mentioned memorandum for the factual support therein. (The Silbert to Cox memorandum of May 31 is in my cabinet in the notebook labeled "Silbert Pros. Memos.")