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Violations alleged at trial

To the editor:

In my letter on Jan. 2 I brought to your attention some of my alleged constitutional violations at my trial. This in conjunct with my alleged ability to make a showing of innocence I allege meets the Federal Court's standard for the ends of justice argument. Thus, I will be able to secure a federal habeas corpus.

On Dec. 30, 1986, in LeCornu V. Jones et al., case number A86-313 Civil, I allege the federal judge gave the state the opportunity to challenge my merits. The state declined, only

challenged my procedure.

On Oct. 13, 1987, case number A87-477 Civil, I was granted an order holding action in abeyance for my civil rights complaint, pending exhaustion of state court remedies and possible federal habeas corpus.

My claims are: I am seeking to reverse my conviction, to have those persons responsible held accountable under the Civil Rights Act and damages in the sum of \$30 million.

Respectfully submitted,
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U.S. plays immense role in peace

To the editor:

As George Bush is sworn in as our country's 41st president, it is imperative that "we the people" are aware of the responsibility we shoulder for the peace and security of the United States, as well as the immense role we play in world security.

As citizens of a democracy, we must urge our new leader from the onset of his administration to take the actions necessary for greater stability both at home and abroad. As George Bush considers his new cabinet and policy, he should be encouraged to consider the benefits of a Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty and to take the initiative in negotiating it.

Since the first nuclear weapons test by the United States in 1945, the superpowers have conducted more than 1,200 nuclear tests. This has led to the development of many more weapons, with greatly increased power, accuracy and speed.

The instability created internationally by the siphoning of funds from

domestic needs can eventually lead to war, which will lead to the use of the weapons — the development of which caused the instability. It's a deadly cycle.

As Henry Cabot Lodge once said: "There is no nation on earth so dangerous as a nation fully armed and bankrupt at home."

Bush should be commended for having already met with Mikhail Gorbachev and making a commitment to continuing progress toward a Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty. These efforts, however, will best be made fruitful with the negotiation of a Comprehensive Test Ban treaty. This will have the greatest impact for halting and eventually reversing the arms race.

The political climate is ripe. The Soviets have demonstrated their willingness to cooperate. It is up to us now to create the right combination of national will and courage and to urge our new leader to negotiate an end to nuclear testing.

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