

# Hanafi terrorist trial begins

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WASHINGTON — The murder-kidnap trial of 12 Hanafi Muslims charged in the March takeover of three buildings began in a packed courtroom yesterday amid tight security.

Superior Court Judge Nicholas Nunzio quickly dismissed a defense motion that the government interfere with questioning of witnesses by the defense.

Questioning of prospective jurors was expected to begin Wednesday

and the trial of Hanafi leader Hamaas Abdul Khaalis and his followers could take two months.

They were accused of killing a radio station reporter and taking 149 hostages in a three-day siege which ended peacefully.

Nunzio clashed with the defense attorney, Harry Alexander, a former superior court judge who represents Khaalis.

Nunzio sustained more than 50 objections by the government to defense questioning.

"I have ruled. I have ruled," Nunzio repeatedly told Alexander and other defense attorneys when they complained about the proceedings.

The 12 defendants sat on one side of an L-shaped table, with their attorneys on the other side. This brought strenuous objections from the defense, but to no avail.

More than a dozen federal marshals were present. Reporters and spectators had to walk through metal detectors to get in.

When Khaalis, dressed in a blue denim outfit, entered the courtroom he waved to more than 20 followers seated in the audience. He was saluted by several women who

had their faces covered in traditional Muslim fashion.

His 11 followers, indicted with Khaalis May 4, could have been tried later, but in a show of unity last week they overrode motions by their court-appointed lawyers that they be tried separately.

More motions were planned for the first two days of the trial with jury selection to follow, probably Wednesday.

Twelve jurors and 12 alternates, to be sequestered throughout the trial, are to be selected from an initial pool of 650 jurors. They will be screened on the basis of their answers to a questionnaire about pre-trial publicity, possible prejudice

and ability to sit on a sequestered panel.

Metal detectors were used to search persons both as they entered the D.C. Superior Court building and again as they entered the courtroom.

The courtroom was renovated for tighter security before the 1974 trial of five of six men charged with the death of seven of Khaalis' family members.

During the siege, Khaalis demanded to see the man charged with the murders so he could mete out his own punishment, but that demand was not met.

The courtroom was remodeled to accommodate the 12 defendants and their lawyers. Two of the 12 asked to defend themselves, but Judge Nicholas S. Nunzio said the court-appointed attorneys should continue on the case for guidance.

Khaalis hired a colorful, outspoken former Superior Court judge, Harry T. Alexander, who retained his title after resigning from the bench. He had demanded to be called judge in the courtroom, but Nunzio ruled it would be wrong to call him a judge in front of the jury.

Assistant U.S. Attorneys Martin J. Linsky and Mark H. Tuohy III predicted the trial would last from one to two months.



**Picture of Economic Ruin**  
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Also beginning Saturday is a two-day clinical bacteriology and mycology workshop taught by Dr. Russell B. Simpson. It runs 9-5 Saturday and concludes at 1 p.m. Sunday.

The third program is a clinical pathology seminar on interpretation of the leukogram in dogs and cats. Instructor Dr. John P. McGrath said it lasts 9-5 Sunday.

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