

Charges dismissed in Hughes case

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LOS ANGELES — U.S. District Court Judge Manuel Real has thrown out the last of the lawsuits brought against the one-time attorney for Howard Hughes by Summa Corp., the late billionaire's holding company.

Real on Monday dismissed the Summa Corp.'s last three claims against Chester Davis, who served as Hughes' attorney from 1961 until the billionaire's death in 1976.

The judge ruled that the one-year statute of limitations had expired before the suit, charging mismanagement, was filed in 1979. On Feb. 12, Real dismissed Summa's \$40-million malpractice lawsuit against Davis.

The last claims involved charges of Davis' use of corporate aircraft for his personal use and Hughes' purchase of the Xanadu Princess Hotel in the Bahamas in 1974 for \$7.5 million, which Summa claimed was \$3 million too much.

The third claim charged that money from Summa was used to fund Rosemont Enterprises, a firm created primarily to own

the rights to biographies of Hughes, and thus block others from publishing.

The malpractice suit involved Hughes' failure to appear for a deposition hearing in the legal battle over his acquisition of Air West airline. His failure to appear resulted in a multimillion dollar default judgment against him.

The default led to a settlement of \$37 million to Air West shareholders, with the stipulation that it could not come from the Hughes personal estate — which is still in litigation — but from his major property, Summa.

The corporation sued Davis, saying he failed to give good legal advice to Hughes. Hughes did not leave a will, which aggravated the complex legal problems involving Summa and the various properties under its umbrella.

There was a criminal indictment against Hughes, Davis and others charging stock manipulation and conspiracy which was thrown out of court in Reno, Nev., because it failed to state a public offense.



Mirror, mirror, on the wall...

It is sometimes hard to tell whether one is seeing the real or mirror image of students in the MSC study area. Here, Lisa Watts,

left, a senior nursing student from Rockwall, and Carolyn Gose, a graduate student

in finance from Sundance, Wyoming, make us wonder.

staff photo by Ellen...

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minutes after separating from the roots.

All three vegetables exist only in the imagination of George Thabault, who has been dreaming of seed catalogues for the year 2057. Thabault is a garden writer and staff member of Gardens for All, a national membership organization for home gardeners.

Writing in Gardens for All News, the group's newsletter, Thabault imagines food crops to answer every home gardener's wildest dreams, including: — A Killer Hops Bush that will lure slugs from throughout the garden and paralyze them on contact;

— Dallas Sour Dill Corn, so called because the boiled ears taste like sour dill pickles;

— Supreme Juicer Tomatoes, larger than most varieties and

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