

Gingrich to pay ethics penalty with loan from Dole

WASHINGTON (AP) — In a startling bid to close the books on his ethics case, Speaker Newt Gingrich announced Thursday he would borrow \$300,000 from retired Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole to pay a sanction imposed for violation of House rules.

Gingrich told a rapt audience in the House chamber he had a "moral obligation" to make the payment himself. Anything else, including establishment of a legal defense fund, he said, "would simply be seen as one more

politician shirking his duty and one more example of failing to do the right thing."

With his wife, Marianne, looking down from her seat in the visitors' gallery, Gingrich took responsibility for his case, and said, "To the degree I have made mistakes, they have been errors of implementation but never of intent."

Documents released by the speaker's office said the loan was for a term of eight years, with simple interest at an annual rate

of 10 percent. J. Randolph Evans, Gingrich's attorney, said no payment is required until the loan is due in 2005. Gingrich, no longer eligible to be speaker by then, could well be out of Congress and able to earn substantial money as a private citizen.



Gingrich

House Democratic Leader Dick Gephardt of Missouri released a statement saying the "unusual loan arrangement" should be reviewed by the ethics committee — a process that Gingrich's office said was already under way.

Several other Democrats were far more critical, noting that Dole now works for a law firm that lobbies for a long list of corporate clients.

Officials said Dole, the losing GOP candi-

date in last fall's presidential campaign, offered to lend the money to Gingrich three weeks ago. The two men — anti-tag who became political partners over course of two decades — signed the loan papers Tuesday evening.

"I wanted to help the Republican and to help Newt Gingrich get this behind him ... and move ahead with the Republican agenda," Dole told reporters. He said money would come from his own savings.

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