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C.I.A. Is Sued by Homosexual

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 21 (UPI) — The belief that homosexuals are automatic security risks in Government and military industries is being challenged in a $1 million suit against the Central Intelligence Agency.

John Green, 50 years old, an electrical engineer at the TRW Corporation in Torrance, Calif., sued in mid-November after his five Government security clearances were lifted when he said he was a homosexual.

He said the C.I.A. discovered he was a homosexual when his partner, a co-worker, applied for a security clearance in 1981 and listed Mr. Green as a reference. An investigator asked Mr. Green if he was a homosexual and he answered yes. He said his security clearances were promptly suspended.

The C.I.A. maintains homosexuality is a relevant factor in security clearances because homosexuals are likely targets of blackmailers.

In a case similar to Mr. Green's, Richard Gayer of San Francisco last month sued the C.I.A. and President Reagan for thwarting his 1982 effort to obtain security clearances necessary to perform a job at the GTE Corporation in Mountain View, Calif. Lack of clearance means he is likely to be dismissed by the end of March, he said.

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