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Tofte Sues Four in CIA For \$25,000 Over Letter

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Hans V. Tofte, fired from the after they were admitted by then involved in the agency's acted "in a manner that is be-Central Intelligence Agency in Tofte's mother-in-law. Tofte was covert operations, asked Tofte youd the law of the land." September, has filed a \$25,000 not at home. damage suit against CIA head Hans V. Tofte, fired from the

entered his home on July 24 and according to a preconceived and seized classified CIA documents. One of the agents, Kenneth R. Slocum, according to the CIA, visited the Tofte home at 1667 35th St. N.W. in answer to an advertisement putting the home advertisement putting the home and carried away the same and up for sale or rent. The agency converted and disposed of it to 'said Slocum spotted the secret their own use." papers when he was shown through the home.

Slocum, his wife Judy and an- ants as private individuals-

Scott pointed out that the suit On July 24, the CIA said, is filed against the four defend-

The United States is not named explained that he had taken the as a defendant.

damage suit against CIA head Richard Helms and three others, claiming they took a letter worth that amount from his Georgetown home last July. The CIA terminated Tofte's employment after fellow agents Speake "singly and in concert, entered his home on July 24 and according to a preconceled and in concert, entered his home on July 24 and according to a preconceled and in concert, entered his home on July 24 and according to a preconceled and in concert, entered his home on July 24 and according to a preconceled and in concert, entered his home on July 24 and according to a preconceled and in concert, entered his home on July 24 and according to a preconceled and in concert, entered his home on July 24 and according to a preconceled and in concert, entered his home on July 24 and according to a preconceled and in concert, entered his home on July 24 and according to a preconceled and in concert, entered his home on July 24 and according to a preconceled and in concert, entered his home on July 24 and according to a preconceled and the preconceled and t After the unexpected visit found. When notified of his firing in September, the 55-year-old Tofte was earning \$25,000 a year.

A board of inquiry reportedly, found that publicity given to the incident had damaged Tolte's other agency employe, Charles not in their official capacities. future value to the agency. Tofte

documents home to develop a

D. Speake, returned to the Tofte written by Helms and sent to ficiency of the CIA. He claimed home and picked up the papers Tofte in the mid-1950s. Helms, earlier that the agency had

Scott said some letters ap-