

James Earl Ray

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RELEASE OF THIS DOCUMENT**Ray Suit Denied**NASHVILLE, Tenn. — A  
Federal judge ruled that  
James Earl Ray filed suit inthe wrong court in his ef-  
forts to void contracts with  
two of his former attorneys  
and an author who plans to  
write his life story.In dismissing the case,  
U.S. District Judge William  
E. Miller said the suit  
should have been filed in  
the Memphis District of the  
Tennessee Federal court,  
rather in the Middle Dis-  
trict.Ray contends that famed  
Texas trial lawyer Percy  
Foreman, Attorney Arthur  
J. Hanes Sr. of Birmingham,  
and author William Brad-  
ford Huie pressured him  
into pleading guilty to the  
murder of the Rev. Dr. Mar-  
tin Luther King Jr. so that  
his story would not become  
a matter of public record. In  
that way, Ray contends,  
Huie would have had exclu-  
sive story rights, and the at-  
torneys would have been  
paid through the proceeds  
of the writings.

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