

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE
WESTERN DIVISION

CITY OF MEMPHIS,
A Municipal Corporation,

Complainant

v

X CIVIL NO.
X
X C-68-80

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.,
HOSEA WILLIAMS, REVEREND
JAMES BEVEL, REVEREND JAMES
ORANGE, RALPH D. ABERNATHY and
BERNARD LEE, all Non-Residents
of the State of Tennessee,

Defendants



OPINION AND TEMPORARY INJUNCTION

After the issuance of the temporary restraining order on April 3, defendants filed a motion to dissolve, and a hearing was held on April 4. At the inception of this hearing it was agreed by counsel that, in addition to defendants' motion to dissolve the restraining order, the Court would at the same time, and on the same proof, consider the City's application for a temporary injunction.

Following the hearing, the Court advised counsel in chambers that it would issue a temporary injunction permitting the march under substantially the same restrictions as those proposed and submitted to the Court by defendants.

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. suffered his tragic death last evening and counsel were called back into conference this morning for further discussion. Counsel for the City stated that the City now joins with defendants in their proposal that the march be held and under the restrictions submitted to the Court by defendants.