

Judge orders inquiry in OKC bombing case

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A federal judge in Utah has ordered an investigation on claims that the FBI pressured a former government operative into backing out of testifying.

The case involves a lawsuit that accuses the agency of failing to adequately search its files for additional videos of the 1995 Oklahoma City bombing.

Salt Lake City attorney Jesse Trentadue brought the lawsuit that triggered the trial because he believes there is video showing Timothy McVeigh was not alone in detonating the bomb.

U.S. District Judge Clark Waddoups said in an order Thursday that the FBI's report to the court in November denying the accusations didn't dispel his concerns.

Judge Waddoups has not yet ruled on whether he'll force the FBI to go back and look for the video.

Trentadue is trying to explain the mysterious death of his brother Kenneth, who he says, based on witness descriptions, resembled a second person seen walking away from an explosives-filled truck.

Several months after the bombing, Kenneth Trentadue died in a federal holding cell in what was labeled a suicide.