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The attorney for five University of Arizona students and two professors say he will appeal to a higher court the \$210,000 damage suit against the UA president and five other officials.

Judgment was denied yesterday by visiting U.S. Dist. Judge William J. Lindberg of Seattle.

The plaintiffs claimed they were denied their constitutional rights in May 1968 when they were prevented from holding a "Vietnam Convocation" on campus.

The convocation had been planned to honor all those who were pledged not to serve in the armed forces during the Vietnam conflict.

Plaintiffs include Richard A. Handverger, Mitchell Axler, Betsy McDonald, Dr. Robert W. Bretall, Dr. Paul S. Martin, Ronald London and Dr. Donald Kalish.

Defendants in the U.S. District Court suit were UA President Richard A. Harvill; Marvin D. Johnson, vice president of the university; Douglas Paxton, UA security chief; Robert L. Houston, vice president of UA physical resources; and Thomas L. Hall, university legal adviser.

The group had asked Johnson for permission to hold the convocation on campus and were turned down on grounds that violence might erupt.

William Messing is attorney for the group.