

1 would provide for their selection to be established by
2 law, we would hope it would be under some merit
3 system. We understand, of course, regardless of that,
4 that would be controlled by the Judge even though they
5 may be appointed or selected--appointed is the correct
6 word, in a manner prescribed by law.

7 We see no problem in this area. There is a
8 case throughout the country. It is the case with respect
9 to elected clerks of court on the superior court
10 level. The consensus of testimony before us has been
11 that the concurrence has worked Extremely well and many
12 judges would prefer it not be abandoned and many judges
13 would prefer not to be involved in this matter of selecting
14 commissioners and being responsible for rejecting certain
15 ones and matters of this nature.

16 THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Clagett.

17 DELEGATE CLAGETT: It is entirely possible
18 and in all probability the General Assembly will provide
19 by law for the special courts such as tax courts or any
20 other kind of court that would be contemplated within your
21 phrase, "other courts" being added to 5.01, is it not?