

1 MR. SYKES: Very back-handed way of doing
2 it.

3 JUDGE FRIEDMAN: "Since the judicial power
4 of the state is exclusively vested in these four courts,
5 the omission of reference to Orphans Courts, as the same
6 are known today, means they will be abolished."

7 THE CHAIRMAN: We can agree that is an
8 unfortunate way of putting it.

9 MR. ENEY: I think perhaps the Orphans
10 Court has more purely ex parte matters than any other
11 court in the area of guardianships where there is no
12 lawyer and there is no other side. Does this, in your
13 thinking, pose any particular problem? Isn't it just
14 a matter of a judge exercising judgment and discretion?
15 This doesn't require a plurality of judges, does it?

16 JUDGE FRIEDMAN: No. I divide it up.
17 In guardianship cases you usually get money into a
18 guardianship case from an estate where there is property
19 plus money. You get it from a settlement. We have a
20 tremendous amount of settlements, accident work, damage
21 settlements where there are minors. You can go up into