

1 clerk of the District Court for the entire State. That
2 man is appointed and serves at the pleasure of the chief
3 judge. All of the chief deputy clerks, there being
4 one chief deputy clerk in each county for the Superior
5 Court and in each district for the District Court are
6 appointed, and their terms are governed by Rule so that
7 all of the clerks throughout the State other than the one
8 chief judge, the chief clerk would be, would have this
9 whatever tenure would be given to him by Rule. You will
10 only have four clerks in the entire State serving at the
11 pleasure of a particular judge. We think this is neces-
12 sary in view of the constant contact between the chief
13 judge of the court and the chief clerk of that court.

14 He is going to have to be his right-hand man,
15 and if they don't get along, it is going to be an impos-
16 sible situation.

17 THE CHAIRMAN: Mr. Bond?

18 MR. BOND: I think Mr. Martineau just answered
19 my question. I was just wondering why tenure in the merit
20 system would not apply to the top court. It seems to me
21 the whole philosophy of the whole judicial system is to