

1 had persons such as Jefferson P. Fordham, Dean of the
2 University of Pennsylvania Law School, Bennet Crain, Jr.,
3 County Solicitor for Anne Arundel County which had just
4 recently adopted a new charter, and many, many other per-
5 sons whose suggestions and participation in our discussions
6 were extremely helpful and, as a result of all that and our
7 individual continuing study, we then came out of that period
8 and by a series of meetings, Friday afternoons in Annapolis,
9 in the mornings in Baltimore and then in the evening or
10 evenings in Baltimore at the University of Maryland Law
11 School, we finally were able to come up with the approach
12 which we now have contained in the Fifth Report or tenta-
13 tive Fifth Report.

14 Now, when we say tentative, I want to make it
15 clear, or we call it actually preliminary; it is not pre-
16 liminary or tentative in thinking. It is only preliminary
17 or tentative insofar as final choice and polish of language
18 and the arrangement of some of the provisions and the in-
19 clusion of any suggestions or changes that come about as a
20 result of consideration by the Commission, but I do want it
21 clearly understood that by reason of the time and the effort