

1 misdemeanor is not very meaningful.

2 THE CHAIRMAN: And it is largely statutory.  
3 Mr. Sayre?

4 MR. SAYRE: Well, two years ago, very shortly  
5 after this book came out, I wrote to the Director of the  
6 National Municipal League asking just what that sentence  
7 meant and he sent back a letter, I haven't the slightest  
8 idea. Write Professor so and so, of Columbia University,  
9 which I promptly did and I have yet to hear from him.

10 MR. CLAGETT: However, Dean Fordham defined it  
11 and answered it possibly a little more conclusively, but  
12 along the same lines I attempted to answer here and he  
13 felt actually it was a proper restriction to place upon  
14 the broad grant of power to the counties and I have more  
15 or less translated it to have some meaning to my mind with  
16 reference to the exercise of, let us say, water and sewer  
17 as it crosses an individual's property and, really, the  
18 last provision, where you have a misdemeanor in the form  
19 of some penalty for disorderly conduct or drunk and dis-  
20 orderly or something of that kind, the county should be  
21 able to take care of it; but not go so far as to trespass