

1 a bribe.

2 MR. NOONBERG: I would think the legislature
3 could do it by statute, even though it is a constitutional
4 office, and what I think about is a conversation I had
5 yesterday with Bob Murphy about the Ober Bill and the Court
6 of Appeals of Maryland decision in Shell vs Simpson where
7 the Court feels that the legislature can prescribe certain
8 additional qualifications to protect the integrity of
9 various offices, even though the office may be a constitu-
10 tional office, although it may not prescribe additional
11 oath, because of Article XXXVII. They can prescribe the
12 requirement to take additional affidavits, which the Court
13 of Appeals of Maryland indicated and Bob Murphy, as Attorney
14 General, feels that although this is an affidavit and it is
15 an additional qualification, it is not an additional oath
16 of office as contemplated by Article XXXVII in the Declara-
17 tion of Rights.

18 THE CHAIRMAN: I can follow that, but it doesn't
19 seem to me to quite answer the question we are concerned
20 with here, but a rather different situation. It seems
21 to me the question here is that if John Doe who holds the