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Date of Meeting: April 18-19, 1958

Memorandum No. 1

Subject: Uniform Rules of Evidence

You will recall that we made an oral arrangement with Professor Chadbourn to have him act as research consultant to the Commission for the entire study of the Uniform Rules of Evidence for a total compensation of \$7500. It was agreed that the work would be done under two contracts for \$3750 each. The first contract has been executed and Professor Chadbourn has been working under it to date. The funds for the second contract are available during the current fiscal year and I would, therefore, like to enter into that contract at this time. The second contract will cover a study of Rules 1 - 12, 17 - 19, 23 - 61, and 67 - 72.

In sending Professor Chadbourn a contract covering the second part of the study which provided for compensation in the amount of \$3750, I invited him to suggest a different figure if his work to date under the first contract had proved to be more time-consuming than we had originally anticipated. In response to this, Professor Chadbourn has written me as follows:

I hesitate to suggest to the Commission any larger compensation for my work on the URE than the figure which I proposed in the beginning. It is true, however, that the task has proven much larger and much more time-consuming than I originally anticipated.

If it is appropriate to reconsider the compensation, I suggest that the figure in the second contract be increased from \$3750 to \$5000.

We have sufficient funds for research for the current fiscal year to be able to allocate \$5000 to the second contract with Professor Chadbourn if we desire to do so. My own view is that we should. I suggest that we discuss the matter at the April meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

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