)ean/Bittman/CREEP/Ellsberg. My reading of the WxPost suburban-section "Dean Faces Hear-
ng" story of 11/20/73 is that Bittman himself can be charged with improprieties to now
ttributed to Hunt only. These are of unspecified nature and I wonder if they can relate
o blackmail only. This story, partly pied, also says that CREEP lawyers were themselves
nvolved in improprieties involving Judge Byrne. I recall no previous allegation along
his line. I also find my self wondering if this is the reason Cox asked Bittman to retire
s Hunt's counsel. WxPost reported the fact, obscurely, without giving the reason that
YTimes did include in its also very small story. ...There is what seems to me to be an
d part to this. The accusations of withholding evidence are general, but unless it is
or the period after he was Nixon's counsel, I believe he is immune. A lawyer is always
n officer of the court, but if he were required to report all crime involving his client
here could be no lawyer-client confidentiality or trust. He is obligated to defend and to
e silent about his client's guilt, so how can he be charged for the period he was Nixon's
ounsel? Unless the story is wrong, something else must be. HW 11/22/73

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