

# Bar Assn. won't probe courthouse

The Massachusetts Bar Assn. has decided not to conduct its own investigation into the construction of the Middlesex County Courthouse.

Richard K. Donahue of Lowell, chairman of the Association's investigating committee, said the Board of Delegates made its decision "in light of the fact that the Supreme Judicial Court and the State Senate are conducting investigations."

The cost of the courthouse in Cambridge, originally estimated at \$16 million in 1963, is now figured at \$45 million. The structure is still less than half-completed.

Donahue said the Board of Delegates had made its decision Wednesday night after he presented his preliminary report.

The bar association will be available to assist the special Senate committee and Richard Gerould, executive secretary of the Supreme Judicial Court, in their investigations.