

OEO Lawyers Give Legal Aid; Have 75% Wins

Office of Economic Opportunity in its bulletin reported that the Neighborhood Legal Services Programs, funded by OEO, have won 75 per cent of the 4,000 court trials they've been involved in, in the last half of 1966.

This six-month period was the first in which a sizeable number of legal services agencies were in operation. Attorneys also won nearly two-thirds of the 71 court appeals filed in the period.

Of the 92,000 cases handled for indigent families since the program began, 37 per cent involved family problems such as divorce, non-support, and adoption; 28 per cent involved juveniles; 19 per cent concerned sales contracts, wage claims, and bankruptcy; 9 percent involved landlord-tenant disputes, housing code violations, etc., and 7 per cent were about administrative problems with welfare, social security, workmen's compensation, and other agencies.