

# MEMORIAL

EVAN H. ANDERSON  
(1893 - 1933)

Ramsey County Bar Association

March 31, 1934

## EVAN H. ANDERSON

The undersigned committee of the Ramsey County Bar Association appointed for that purpose, desires to submit the following memorial in memory of Evan H. Anderson, one of its deceased members.

Evan H. Anderson, the younger son of James P. Anderson and Ann Maria Anderson, was born in the City of St. Paul, Minnesota, on the 17th day of July 1893; he attended McKinley School and Mechanic Arts High School of St. Paul, Minnesota, graduating from Mechanic Arts High School in June 1913, and thereafter attending the St. Paul College of Law, from which he also graduated on the 26th day of June 1919, with the Degree of Bachelor of Laws.

His father who was also an attorney admitted to the bar in Ramsey County, Minnesota, died on the 6th day of February 1916, about the time that Evan A. Anderson decided to study law, and though deprived of many advantages which he had anticipated from his father, he nevertheless worked hard toward his objective, holding many jobs among which was one as shipping clerk at Bannons Department Store in St. Paul, Minnesota, during the day and attending the law school in the evenings.

Mr. Anderson entered into active practice of law with offices in the Court Block St. Paul, Minnesota, in or about the year of 1922, he engaged in the general practice of the law for sometime but leaned toward the practice of criminal law and soon found himself almost wholly engaged in that phase of the practice of law, which he followed in the main until his death.

Immediately prior to his death he occupied offices in the Friedman Building in the City of St. Paul, Minnesota, and associated with him was Mr. Maceo V. Littlejohn recently admitted to the bar of Ramsey County, Minnesota.

When Mr. Anderson began the practice of law he, as many young attorneys do, felt the urge to enter politics and he made himself felt in that field in his early years of practice, and encouraged by his constituents and friends he entered the primaries as candidate for

representative to the State Legislature from the 38th District South, Ramsey County, Minnesota, in June 1922, and in one of the keenest fought contests in that district for many years, he made a creditable showing, running second and being beaten only by a little more than one hundred votes; although he never filed again for public office, he remained active in politics, being once named as a member of the Republican State Central Committee of Minnesota.

Mr. Anderson apparently knew no fatigue when it came to work; it was never too late or early for him to start in pursuit of some evidence or facts essential in a case in which he was interested, and though his path was beset with many difficulties and sometimes grave dangers, he knew no fear, and it was this tendency on his part to overtax himself and to brave dangers, that his close friends realized would end in the catastrophe which caused his death.

Mr. Anderson was possessed with a congenial and cheerful disposition and matters were never too serious or sordid for him to fail to exhibit the bright side of life and to spread sunshine among those with whom he came in contact; he was loyal to his friends and was always found to be at his best when defending the unfortunate.

Mr. Anderson died on the 16th day of August 1933, at St. Paul, Minnesota, and was survived by Constance B. Anderson to whom he was married on the 4th day of January 1916, and their children, Henerietta Evanol Anderson, James Evan Anderson and Charles Crane Anderson, and his widow of a second marriage, Mrs. Ruth Gladys Anderson, and the sympathy of this bar goes forth to his family in the loss they and we have sustained.

We therefore move this memorial be spread upon the records of this Court and copies be mailed to the immediate members of the family of our departed colleague.

Dated March 31, 1934.

Hammond Turner  
Frank W. Diehl  
Irving Gottlieb  
COMMITTEE.

