

# **Annual Hennepin County Bar Memorial Session**

Convening of the Special Session  
of Hennepin County District Court  
Presiding  
The Honorable Kevin S. Burke  
Hennepin County District Court Chief Judge

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Invocation  
The Honorable H. Peter Albrecht  
Hennepin County District Judge

Introduction of Special Guests

Musical Selection  
Grete Wangenstein, Harp

Recognition of Deceased Members  
Brian Melendez, President-Elect  
Hennepin County Bar Association

Introduction of Speaker  
Aaron F. Biber, President  
Hennepin County Bar Association

Main Address  
Sheryl Ramstad Hvass  
Commissioner  
Minnesota Department of Corrections

Musical Selection

Memorials Presented to the Court

Presentation Accepted

Court Adjourned

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Wednesday, April 18, 2001

Hennepin County

Presented by the Hennepin County Bar Association

## INVOCATION – 2001

Lord, maker of all that we know, maker of the infinite that we do not know, we have come here to honor those who have passed before us. They were our family, our friends, our respected adversaries. Please hear our common prayer, and be with us today.

Some of us, the leaders of the bar and many of the judges, have been here before. Others of us are family members who have come to this memorial in order to witness this profession honor and pay tribute to its colleagues. All of us share a common grief in this prayer.

We remember those for whom we pray. We are your colleagues, your husbands and wives, your children, your parents. This is our sorrow:

We are your colleagues. We worked with you. We tried cases against you. We knew you well, or only by reputation. Your word was good in this community. You will be missed.

We are your husbands and wives. How do we continue to move forward without our partners? We fought with you. We fought for you. We have never been angrier than we were with you. We have never loved, been loved, forgiven and been forgiven as we have with you. We made plans that came to be. We made plans that will never come to be. We are now trying to learn how to live and plan without you.

We are your children. How do we now stand completely on our own? To the very young, it is unimaginable. For those of us who are adults, we are now mostly comfortable as independent people making our own life decisions. But there was this intangible, grounded sense of security in knowing you were there if we needed your advice, your counsel. We now continue in our own lives without you, as we must.

And, finally, we are your parents. We are the fewest in number, but no sorrow is greater. We bore you. We received you. We raised you. We taught you. Your dreams were our dreams. Your accomplishments were our greatest pride. Your failures were our heartaches. Our hearts were truly broken by your passing before your time. Before our time.

Please God, ease our sorrow. Help us accept our loss. Grant us peace of mind. You have made us resilient. You have made us stronger than we ever thought possible. By Your design we will find our way. But our greatest need is to know that You will receive and protect our loved ones for all eternity. For this, most of all, please hear this prayer.

Amen.

## **HENNEPIN COUNTY DISTRICT COURT JUDGES**

The Honorable H. Peter Albrecht	The Honorable Gary R. Larson
The Honorable Stephen C. Aldrich	The Honorable Herbert P. Lefler
The Honorable Pamela G. Alexander	The Honorable Tony N. Leung
The Honorable Ann L. Alton	The Honorable Roberta K. Levy
The Honorable Catherine L. Anderson	The Honorable Robert H. Lynn
The Honorable Thorwald H. Anderson	The Honorable Daniel H. Mabley
The Honorable Patricia L. Belois	The Honorable George F. McGunnigle
The Honorable Robert A. Blaeser	The Honorable E. Anne McKinsey
The Honorable Tanya M. Bransford	The Honorable John Q. McShane
The Honorable Kevin S. Burke	The Honorable Cara Lee Neville
The Honorable Philip D. Bush	The Honorable Beryl A. Nord
The Honorable Francis J. Connolly	The Honorable Jack Nordby
The Honorable Harry S. Crump	The Honorable Allen Oleisky
The Honorable Margaret Daly	The Honorable Bruce A. Peterson
The Honorable Andrew W. Danielson	The Honorable Delila F. Pierce
The Honorable David M. Duffy	The Honorable Charles A. Porter
The Honorable Diana S. Eagon	The Honorable Janet N. Poston
The Honorable Harvey C. Ginsberg	The Honorable Kathryn L. Quaintance
The Honorable Isabel Gomez	The Honorable Denise D. Reilly
The Honorable Jeanne J. Graham	The Honorable Marilyn B. Rosenbaum
The Honorable Myron S. Greenberg	The Honorable Warren R. Sagstuen
The Honorable Bruce Hartigan	The Honorable Heidi S. Schellhas
The Honorable Deborah Hedlund	The Honorable Richard S. Scherer
The Honorable John L. Holahan	The Honorable John J. Sommerville
The Honorable William R. Howard	The Honorable Mary E. Steenson
The Honorable M. Justman Kaman	The Honorable Stephen D. Swanson
The Honorable Patricia Kerr Karasov	The Honorable James T. Swenson
The Honorable Franklin J. Knoll	The Honorable Thomas W. Wexler
The Honorable Tanja L. Kozicky	The Honorable Lucy A. Wieland
The Honorable LaJune T. Lange	The Honorable Lloyd B. Zimmerman
The Honorable Steven Z. Lange	

## **HENNEPIN COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION BAR MEMORIAL COMMITTEE 2000-2001**

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<b>Russell W. Lindquist</b>	

### **Special Note:**

**This memorial session is held on an annual basis. Attorneys for whom memorials were not received in time for this year's session will be honored at next year's memorial session.**



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# **MEMORIAL ADDRESS**

**Hennepin County Bar Memorial Session  
By Sheryl Ramstad Hvass  
Commissioner  
Minnesota Department of Corrections  
April 18, 2001**

May it please the Court, colleagues, families and friends of those whom we gather today to remember and honor at this Bar Memorial special session of the Hennepin County District Court. Today we acknowledge the contributions of those who have died during the past year. But we cannot help but feel a great debt of gratitude for their legacy that endures in each of us whose lives they have touched, whether as family, through personal or professional associations or as members of the community.

These colleagues' lives demonstrated that our profession's tradition of community transcends the adversarial roles we play. Lawyers are in the unique position in their role of counselor to bring people together in the community. Let us remember them for this role and for all they gave to our community.

Like society at-large, our profession is in danger of losing that sense of giving, that sense of a concerned community that was the rule for those we honor. Harvard University Professor of Public Policy Robert Putnam makes the point in his book *Bowling Alone* that we have become increasingly disconnected from family, friends, neighbors and social structures – whether the PTA, church or, in our case, the bar – that provide the rewards of communal activity and community sharing. In a recent national survey, the access to social capital in most American communities is “disturbingly unequal.” Our professional calling as lawyers puts us in the forefront of all professions to make equal access to the law available to all people regardless of color, class or condition. Professor Putnam cautions us about losing much of our “social capital” – the personal and civic ties that strengthen our community and provide the most powerful predictors of life satisfaction.

Professor Putnam was right. We need these social bonds. We must remain connected. That is why today's bar memorial service is so important. As lawyers, we need to reach out and get to know each other so that, collectively, we can be a force within our community to address its numerous needs and contribute to their fulfillment. We can only fully live up to our oath to maintain a spirit of public service when we wholeheartedly support our community.

The colleagues we honor today gave greatly of themselves as they served their communities and the bar. It is appropriate that we take this time to reflect upon and appreciate their dedication and grieve the loss that we feel. Through their example, we can move forward with renewed energy and commitment to continue the honorable legacy they leave. It is their contributions, their giving, their community service that comfort us in knowing that our lives were strengthened through their work.

God be with them and us.

# **HENNEPIN COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION BAR MEMORIAL SESSION**

## **SPEAKERS**

April 18, 2001 .....	Sheryl Ramstad Hvass
April 19, 2000 .....	Associate Justice Paul H. Anderson
April 21, 1999 .....	Dean E. Thomas Sullivan
April 22, 1998 .....	Vance K. Opperman
April 23, 1997 .....	Chief Judge Edward Toussaint, Jr.
April 24, 1996 .....	Dean Harry J. Haynsworth
April 26, 1995 .....	Judge Diana E. Murphy
April 27, 1994 .....	Bernhard W. LeVander
April 28, 1993 .....	Walter F. Mondale
April 22, 1992 .....	Dean James F. Hogg
April 24, 1991 .....	Judge Doris O. Huspeni
April 25, 1990 .....	Frank Plant, Jr.
April 26, 1989 .....	Allen I. Sacks
April 27, 1988 .....	Arthur Whitney
April 22, 1987 .....	Judge Susanne C. Sedgwick
April 23, 1986 .....	Clinton A. Schroeder
April 24, 1985 .....	Dean Robert A. Stein
April 25, 1984 .....	Leonard E. Lindquist
April 27, 1983 .....	Chief Justice Douglas K. Amdahl
April 28, 1982 .....	Associate Justice Rosalie Wahl
April 28, 1981 .....	Maynard Pirsig
April 30, 1980 .....	John M. Palmer
April 25, 1979 .....	Charles T. Hvass, Sr.
February 15, 1978 .....	Clyde F. Anderson
February 24, 1977 .....	Edward J. Schwartzbauer
January 22, 1976 .....	George C. Mastor
May 22, 1975 .....	David R. Brink
May 22, 1974 .....	Everett A. Drake
May 23, 1973 .....	Robert F. Henson
May 24, 1972 .....	Judge Philip Neville
May 27, 1971 .....	Chief Justice Robert J. Sheran
May 26, 1970 .....	Henry E. Halladay
May 27, 1969 .....	Judge C. Donald Peterson
May 28, 1968 .....	Judge Harry A. Blackmun
May 25, 1967 .....	Sidney S. Feinberg
May 26, 1966 .....	Associate Justice George M. Scott
May 27, 1965 .....	William H. DeParcq



**IN MEMORIAM**  
**HERBERT C. DAVIS**

**October 26, 1924 – December 3, 1999**

Herbert C. Davis was born in Fort Rosebud, South Dakota, and grew up on the Indian reservation where the Bureau of Indian Affairs of the Department of Labor employed his parents. In 1940 his parents were transferred to Minneapolis and Herb attended St. Louis Park High School, from which he graduated. He started the University of Minnesota and in 1942 enlisted in Navy pilot training. On finishing the program, he received his wings and was commissioned an ensign.

Following the war, he reentered the university and subsequently graduated from its law school. While at law school, he was a research assistant for Professor Riesenfeldt and was on the Student Board of the Minnesota Law Review.

In 1948 he married Barbara Fletcher, a high school classmate. They had three children: Scott, Brian and Jennifer.

Herb started law practice with Meagher, Geer and Markham but left the firm to open an office with his close friend Glen Powrie. In 1950 he took a position with the Office of Price Stabilization where he was respected by his fellow lawyers for his work habits and ability. The agency closed after two years because price control ended.

Herb opened an office in St. Louis Park and for nearly 50 years worked as a sole practitioner, taking on all clients and all types of cases. He loved the law and took pride in being a lawyer.

In 1955 Herb was elected to the City Council of St. Louis Park. The city adopted a new city charter establishing a council-manager form of government. He was very active in support of the new charter and was considered by many as the father of city planning for the City of St. Louis Park. Further, he was instrumental in the adoption of ordinances to implement its features. This work and its accomplishments reflected both his personal and professional talents and traits and were significant benefits to the development of the city.

Some of his fondest memories involved vacations with four other lawyers and their families at their cottages on Lake Washburn in Outing, Minnesota. He had a wonderful tenor voice and music was always a part of his life from his early days singing with a band to singing with many church choirs in Minneapolis.

Herb held numerous positions. He was attorney for Minnetonka Beach and attorney for the State Board of Law Examiners for six years. He helped establish the Lawyers Board of Professional Responsibility, which then hired a full-time lawyer. He was president of the St. Louis Park Lions Club and also West End Community Improvement Assn., a member of the Phi Delta Phi Legal Fraternity, Frank Lundberg American Legion Post, the Exchange Club, Masons, and Scottish Rite Bodies and an active member of Union Congregational Church.

His wife, Barbara and his three children and five grandchildren survive him. His dedication in both his personal and professional life will be greatly missed.

JOHN A. MILLER



## IN MEMORIAM

### FREDERICK G. EPSTEIN

**August 24, 1914 – December 27, 1998**

Frederick Epstein was born in Brooklyn, New York, on August 24, 1914, the second son of immigrant parents. He graduated from New Utrecht High School in Brooklyn in 1931, and from the City University of New York, where he received the degree of bachelor of business administration in 1935. He practiced accounting and became a certified public accountant in New York.

During World War II, Fred served in the Army from 1941 to 1945, ending his service with the rank of captain. In May 1945, he married Ruth Shapera of St. Paul, and in 1948, they moved with their daughter Susan, 18 months old, to Minnesota, where Fred was granted certification and set up an accounting practice in the Plymouth Building in Minneapolis. Two months after taking up residence in Minnesota, and two days after the birth of their second daughter, Judith, Fred announced that he had enrolled in law school. Thanks to the GI Bill, he was able to attend William Mitchell College of Law, graduating and being admitted to the Minnesota Bar in 1952. He was then able to realize his dream of practicing both accounting and tax law. For three years he taught tax law at the Minneapolis College of Law.

In 1955, Governor Orville Freeman appointed him to serve on the Minnesota State Board of Accountancy, which he did for one year, until the family moved to Davenport, Iowa, where Fred had purchased radio station KSTT. Although he left the formal practice of law in 1956, throughout his life he retained a deep interest in and commitment to the legal profession and found his legal education to be of continuing value in his business affairs as well as in his dedication to many controversial and pressing social issues.

He and Ruth became pioneers in "talk radio" from the late-1950s to the mid-1970s, and their daily radio program served as a timely community forum for discussions on local, national and international topics. Fred had a lifelong devotion to the cause of civil rights and founded a chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union. He was honored by the Catholic Interracial Council in 1968 as the recipient of the Pacem in Terris Peace and Freedom Award.

He greatly enjoyed travel abroad, and he and Ruth traveled extensively. After retirement, they lived in Europe for a number of years, spending most of their time in England, France and Spain. In 1979, they settled in San Francisco, where he became an active volunteer as a patient advocate at St. Luke's Hospital, and as a program director with the International Diplomacy Council, arranging activities for foreign visitors on official State Department business.

Fred died of colon cancer at his home on December 27, 1998, with Ruth, his wife of 53 years, and his daughters, Susan LaForce of Davenport, Iowa, and Judith Epstein of Reno, Nevada, at his side. He is also survived by two grandchildren, David LaForce and Deborah LaForce, both of Chicago.

He is missed so much by all of us, and we are glad for the opportunity to share some of his life with you.

RUTH EPSTEIN  
SUSAN LaFORCE  
JUDITH EPSTEIN

**IN MEMORIAM**  
**WILLIAM D. FLASKAMP**

**May 8, 1924 – October 20, 2000**

Simply put, Bill "Flash" Flaskamp was the best Minnesota trial lawyer in the last half of the 20th century. No attorney tried more complex cases, involving more areas of law, over a longer period of time and with greater success, than Flash. He was a fearless advocate. In hundreds of trials and through 60 published appellate decisions, Bill Flaskamp shaped Minnesota law in the areas of product liability, aviation, professional liability, insurance coverage and personal injury. A trial lawyer for over 49 years, Flash won case after case through a combination of logical reasoning and persuasive communication with jurors. He reduced complex cases to simple terms by brief examinations of witnesses and short logical arguments. Attorneys admired him, judges respected him and jurors loved him. Surveys of judges and lawyers over the past 40 years have consistently recognized Flash as one of the state's best trial lawyers. He received national recognition for his exceptional trial skills. He was a fellow in the American College of Trial Lawyers and in the International Society of Barristers. He was an advocate in the International Academy of Trial Lawyers, and listed in Who's Who in American Law and the Best Trial Lawyers in America.

The same bright mind, charm and fabulous sense of humor that made Flash an outstanding trial lawyer also made him a strong leader. Bill's commanding presence made people believe and follow him. He rose to the rank of brigadier general in the Minnesota Air National Guard. He served as the president of the International Society of Barristers. Flash led his firm, Meagher and Geer, for over 45 years. Through his tireless efforts, unselfish dedication and clear vision, he saw it grow from a small insurance defense practice to a large multi-service firm. As a strong leader both in and out of court, he addressed contentious problems by reducing them to simple issues. As a former champion debater, he could articulate solutions that people could understand and accept.

Before mentoring became fashionable, Flash generously taught his skills to younger lawyers. He delegated work to others in a way that promoted learning, while protecting the fragile confidence of less skilled attorneys. He taught young lawyers to take the law very seriously, but not themselves; to win with honor and to lose with grace; and to give clients their full talent and energy and, when that was fully done, accept the result and move on. He loved the labor, drama, pathos, humor, joy and camaraderie of the law. Everyone who worked with him shared a piece of that love.

Most important of all, Flash was a loyal friend, always accepting and never judgmental. He stood by friends when they were in trouble and often represented other lawyers, free of charge. He gave his friends the full measure of his strength, devotion, humor and unconditional loyalty.

Flash, we thank you for sharing your life, both professional and private, with us. You were always a great law partner, but beyond that, you taught us that having a great friend is even more precious.

GARY HOCH  
and  
TOM ADAMS



## IN MEMORIAM

# HAROLD M. FREDRIKSON

**November 21, 1912 – March 8, 2000**

Harold Fredrikson was born in Davenport, North Dakota. He was one of five brothers who were raised by their mother, a schoolteacher who was widowed shortly after the youngest of the Fredrikson boys was born. Harold, affectionately known as "Fred" by his friends and colleagues, graduated from the University of Minnesota Law School in 1936. During World War II he served in the Pentagon, earned the rank of colonel and received several medals for his service.

After the war, Fredrikson joined the legal department of Northwestern National Life Insurance Company. In 1951 Fredrikson co-founded the law firm of Fredrikson and Wheeler, which today is known as Fredrikson & Byron, a 150-lawyer law firm headquartered in downtown Minneapolis. Shortly after co-founding the firm, Fredrikson undertook what became a 15-year legal battle against the IRS to establish the right of professionals such as doctors and lawyers to form professional corporations that could benefit from qualified pension and profit-sharing plans. Fredrikson eventually won the challenge, setting off a rush to incorporate professionals in the late 1960s. His firm quickly gained a reputation as one of the top firms in the region representing physicians and other professionals. Under Fredrikson's leadership, Fredrikson & Byron grew through subsequent years to become a full-service business and litigation law firm.

Fredrikson met his wife, Rada Nikolic, who is from Belgrade, Yugoslavia, in 1953. The couple was married five months later. The Fredriksons loved to travel and to collect art. In the course of their many years together, they traveled to Russia, Egypt, Turkey, Greece, Japan, China, Malaysia and Thailand as well as Europe. Fredrikson met Albert Schweitzer in the course of a 12-week trip to Africa in 1961. The Fredriksons particularly enjoyed collecting African and pre-Columbian art, minerals and shells. In 1964 they spent 2-1/2 months in Central and South America collecting pre-Columbian artifacts and minerals. Items from their collection have been donated to the Science Museum of Minnesota, the Minneapolis Institute of Arts and the Museum of Fine Arts in St. Petersburg, Florida, which held a display of their pre-Columbian art last winter. Fredrikson documented their trips with thousands of slides. Fred was also an enthusiastic horticulturist and supporter of the Minnesota Arboretum.

Fredrikson was preceded in death by his parents, by his brother Earl Fredrikson and by his daughter Peggy Blankenfeld. He is survived by his wife of 47 years, Rada N. Fredrikson; daughters, Jeanne (Everett) Greene and Kris (James) Johnston; five grandchildren, Mick Stone, Leslie Stone-Roy, Mary Kay Kilgannon, Beth Ehrhardt and Stephen Greene; and three great-grandchildren, Riley and Troy Kilgannon and Ariel Roy.

JOHN SATORIUS



## IN MEMORIAM

### MICHAEL J. GALLAGHER

**November 10, 1936 – November 25, 2000**

Michael Gallagher died on November 25, 2000, after suffering a heart attack while swimming at the 98th Street Northwest Athletic Club in Bloomington. A champion swimmer in high school, Mike had remained physically active throughout his adult life with tennis, golf, biking and swimming.

Mike graduated from William Mitchell College of Law and was briefly in private law practice before joining the Hennepin County Attorney's Office in July 1967. He served for more than three decades as an assistant county attorney. He came to this position with a dedication to public service and a commitment to the practice of the law. He was carrying on a family tradition. His father, Thomas Gallagher, had served for many years as a justice on the Minnesota Supreme Court. Mike had also clerked at the Supreme Court.

Working in one of Minnesota's largest public law offices offered Mike the opportunity to handle a wide range of cases – including adult criminal prosecutions, juvenile delinquencies and child protection matters. For much of his career, Mike practiced law in the Child Support Section of the County Attorney's Office. There, he had the responsibility for preparing cases and appearing in family court on complaints and motions related to the establishment and enforcement of child support obligations. He was also involved in legal actions to establish paternity. The Child Support Section handles an enormous volume of cases, so Mike's calm manner and good humor were always much appreciated by colleagues and everyone with whom he worked.

Because of his many years of experience working with child support matters in Hennepin County, Mike was in a unique position to provide historical perspectives and context about the evolution of child support policies and practices. Over the years, he participated in significant changes in this important area of public law. Child support issues grew in prominence, as public attitudes and the law changed to place greater emphasis on establishing and enforcing child support orders. Mike took this work seriously and was committed to applying the law to help ensure that children could be financially supported to the maximum extent possible. Few things are both so important and so gratifying in this line of work.

Mike enjoyed life in the courtroom and he enjoyed working with people. He knew people from all walks of life and he always treated people with respect and fairness. He was well known throughout the courthouse for his kindness and lively conversation, as someone who gave generously of himself to his colleagues in the County Attorney's Office and to the many people with whom he worked in district court and county government. As a lawyer, a colleague and a friend, Mike's presence will be missed every day.

Above all, Mike was devoted to his family, especially enjoying the time they spent together at their cabin. He is survived by his wife, Ann Gallagher, and their two daughters, Kate and Jane Gallagher, as well as a sister and two brothers.

AMY KLOBUCHAR  
Hennepin County Attorney

## IN MEMORIAM

### ROGER D. GORDON

October 17, 1950 – June 6, 2000

Roger Gordon was born in St. Paul on October 17, 1950. He graduated from Hopkins High School in 1968, from the University of Minnesota with a major in economics in 1972, and from the University of Minnesota Law School, *magna cum laude*, in 1975. He was elected to Phi Beta Kappa.

Roger began his legal career at the Oppenheimer law firm in St. Paul. In 1979, he left with five other Oppenheimer lawyers to form the law firm of Winthrop, Weinstine & Sexton (now Winthrop & Weinstine), where he practiced business and corporate law.

Roger had a lifelong passion for golf that began at Interlachen Country Club in Edina where he caddied from age 10 through high school. He attended the University of Minnesota on the Evans Scholarship. In 1989, he became a director of the Western Golf Association, the organization that sponsors the Evans Scholarship program, and later became a vice president and a trustee. Roger was a director of the Minnesota Golf Association and served as its president from 1996 to 1998. In 2000, Roger became a member of the United States Golf Association Regional Affairs Committee. Roger's friends and business associates have honored him through the Roger D. Gordon Endowed Evans Fellowship Fund at the University of Minnesota established to fund graduate work by Evans scholars.

Roger is survived by his wife, Trudy Halla, and daughter, Kate Gordon. Roger loved Kate and Trudy more than anything in this world. Before we could ever talk about the firm or anything else for that matter, he had to begin with stories, told with great fondness, about what his daughter had just said that made him laugh, what she had done that made him proud and why he loved her so much. His loving nature was not confined to his family. College roommates, golfing partners, fellow board members, clients and colleagues are counted among his best friends.

Roger's approach to the law, and to clients and colleagues alike, was genuine and authentic. He understood that being a vigorous advocate was only one of several roles a lawyer could assume. He believed that every engagement offered an opportunity to serve as a counselor, a trusted advisor and a problem solver.

Roger was blessed with the capacity to lead others. In virtually every endeavor to which he committed, Roger became a leader. He understood that we lead by our attitudes, by our responses to adversity, by the words we speak and by the example we set. Roger motivated and inspired others in his understated way.

The hallmark characteristic of Roger's participation, in any endeavor or activity to which he committed himself, was passion. He was passionate about the practice of law, the firm he founded and the clients he served. Most of all, he was passionate about his relationships. He was a business lawyer whose real business was people.

Roger spent his time on projects and causes of enduring value. He devoted himself to creating something of lasting value that would enrich the lives of others. Roger truly enriched the lives of his friends, family, partners, clients and colleagues. We will miss Roger, and we will treasure all he gave us.

SHERMAN WINTHROP  
ROBERT R. WEINSTINE  
THOMAS J. SEXTON  
RICHARD A. HOEL  
STEVEN C. TOUREK

AND ROGER'S FRIENDS  
AND COLLEAGUES AT  
WINTHROP & WEINSTINE



**IN MEMORIAM**  
**THERESE "PIDGE" HODOWANIC**

**July 25, 1940 – July 12, 2000**

Therese "Pidge" Hodowanic was born July 25, 1940, in Ely, Minnesota, to Anton and Theresa Slabodnik. Pidge, an only child, was absolutely loved and adored by her father who called her "my little pigeon." Consequently his beloved daughter became known as "Pidge."

Mary Bader, a close friend of Pidge for many years, wrote:

*In Memoriam Pidge*  
*It was in July that the Iron Range forged an iron woman,*  
*the northern forest birthed an evergreen spirit,*  
*The wilderness lakes flowed their serene beauty into the human race*  
*in a unique moment of life who drew delighted*  
*woodland creatures to her side and embraced all who knew her*  
*with her strength, and with her gentleness.*

Pidge graduated from Ely High School, College of St. Catherine and William Mitchell College of Law. Pidge taught disabled children in St. Louis, Missouri, and was a legal secretary and paralegal in Wayzata, president and owner of Lake Legion Commercial in Wayzata and a member of the Organization of Commercial Realtors.

Pidge was a unique, dedicated person for so many causes and individuals. She volunteered her time at the Hennepin County Animal Humane Society, Meals on Wheels and the Minneapolis Junior League. Pidge was past chairwoman of the Interfaith Outreach and Community Partners Board; past president of the Wayzata Chamber of Commerce; past member of the Wayzata City Council and Planning Commission; past president of the Wayzata Rotary, and the first woman recipient of the Rotary's Paul Harris Fellow award. Pidge was also involved in Chrysalis and the Wayzata Crime Prevention Coalition.

LaDonna Hoy, a close friend of Pidge and the executive director of Interfaith Outreach and Community Partners, described Pidge as a star person in countless ways, who kept the Wayzata community, the community she loved and served so well, faithful to its brightest best. She was an exquisite wife and mother, a gracious life champ, an extraordinary servant leader, a dear, fun, dependable friend. LaDonna Hoy also stated that Pidge was our whatever-it-takes champion, whom we shamelessly called upon whenever we needed a strong, persuasive people mover or barriers-buster to make impossible good things happen. Pidge was for us a precious, irreplaceable gift.

Pidge is survived by her husband, John Hodowanic; son, Greg Jenko and wife Helen and children, Kelly, Katie and Christian; daughter, Gwen Spence and husband Scott and children, Skylar and Cody; stepsons Mark Hodowanic and wife Lara, and Keith Hodowanic and wife Jennifer and son, Paul.

Pidge was not only her father's beloved and adored "little pigeon." She was also our beloved Pidge, whose love, iron strength, perseverance and many contributions will not be forgotten.

LLOYD BERGMAN



**IN MEMORIAM**

**MICHAEL B. HOFFMAN**

**May 6, 1940 – January 5, 2000**

I met Michael B. Hoffman for the first time at summer camp in Aitkin, Minnesota, when I was 15 years old. I knew Mike for about 45 years. I was from Aberdeen, South Dakota, and Mike was from St. Paul. Mike was the life of the party then and remained that way for the majority of his life. Michael had diabetes early in life, which inspired his parents to buy the lake home on Deer Lake in Wisconsin.

I came to the University of Minnesota when I was 18 and joined Mike's fraternity, Sigma Alpha Mu. We entered law school together and ultimately wound up officing together until his death.

I have said that Mike was the life of the party. In fact, he would end most telephone calls and letters with the phrase "keep smiling." Mike had a stoic attitude toward his diabetes. This disease became quite severe later in life. He went on dialysis as a result of the failure of his kidneys and then received a donor kidney. He never complained about any of his numerous health problems and that will be an inspiration to me and others who knew him when we suffer similar health problems in the future.

He did not care for fame or fortune. He just wanted to enjoy life. He loved to go over to Wisconsin as much as possible to fish. He loved to have his friends join him in that sport. He had a tremendous sense of humor. It was hard to keep a straight face around him when he performed his usual antics.

Mike is survived by his wife, Jan, a younger brother, Lee, and Lee's three sons. He was very fond of his nephews and bragged about them often.

This poem applies to my friend, Mike:

*"That man is a success who has lived well, laughed often and loved much; who has gained the respect of intelligent men and the love of children; who has filled his niche and accomplished his task; who leaves the world better than he found it, whether by an improved poppy, a perfect poem or a rescued soul; who never lacked appreciation of earth's beauty or failed to express it; who looked for the best in others and gave the best he had."*

LELAND J. FRANKMAN

## **IN MEMORIAM**

### **VERNON A. JOHNSON**

**November 15, 1928 – January 14, 2000**

Vernon A. Johnson, former vice president, secretary and general counsel of The Toro Company, former mayor of the City of Roseville, former member of the Roseville City Council and former member of the Roseville City Planning Commission, died January 14, 2000, at age 71, after a long neurological illness.

Vern Johnson was born in St. Paul, November 15, 1928. He graduated from Wilson High School in St. Paul in 1945 and then earned an engineering degree from the University of Minnesota in 1949, served in the United States Army in Korea, and earned his law degree from John Marshall Law School in Chicago in 1957. He practiced patent law and joined the then Toro Manufacturing Company as corporate attorney in 1961. He remained at what is now The Toro Company as attorney, as general counsel, and as vice president, corporate secretary and general counsel until his retirement in 1993. He saw Toro expand from \$20 million of sales in 1961 to more than \$700 million of sales and 5,000 employees in 1993. From being Toro's only lawyer he oversaw expansion to five lawyers when he retired.

Vern was the quintessential corporate lawyer who expanded from his base expertise in patent law to product liability law, antitrust law and all areas of business law as well as general corporate management as part of the corporate executive staff. To answer the challenge of multiple product liability cases in multiple jurisdictions, he developed first a form of standard defenses supported by trial briefs and then full-time internal expert engineering witnesses. He oversaw the migration of Toro's product liability lawsuit defenses to the effective use of private mediation as alternative dispute resolution, and pioneered the use of paralegals and other nonlawyer professionals to settle claims.

Besides his civic service to the City of Roseville, Vern was an avid hunter, outdoorsman, horseman, piano player and good friend. He was a loving husband to Mavis, and a loving father to daughters Karen Johnson, Linda Johnson and Diane O'Brien, sons Eric Johnson and Matthew Johnson, stepsons Stephen Herrick and Bradley Herrick and stepdaughter Sheryl Ekberg.

ERICA JOHNSON

J. LAWRENCE McINTYRE



**IN MEMORIAM**  
**SHELDON D. KARLINS**

**JUNE 20, 1912 – August 16, 2000**

Sheldon Karlins passed away in August 2000 after practicing law for over 50 years. Widely known as a capable trial lawyer and a determined defender of civil liberties and the rights of the legally disadvantaged, Sheldon will always be remembered as a gentle, gentlemanly lawyer with an easygoing manner, a twinkle in his eye and a good story ready to tell.

Sheldon loved his profession, and he loved his own sometimes eclectic role in it. He could serve with equal ease on the board of directors of an insurance company or in a tough pro bono case on behalf of the MCLU.

Those who knew Sheldon knew how proud he was of his Iron Range roots and his unusually broad assortment of jobs before he practiced law. During the Depression, Sheldon hitchhiked and rode freight trains across the country, traveled the world as an ordinary seaman, and attended the school of hard knocks before graduating from law school at the University of Minnesota in 1936. The only certificates on Sheldon's office wall were his "Seaman's Protection Certificate" and his notarial certificate from the Philippines, where he served at the end of World War II in the Second Infantry Division of the Philippine army, better known as "Volckmann's Guerrillas." His legal background enabled him to settle thousands of claims of Philippine residents who had risked their lives to assist the guerrillas during the Japanese occupation.

Sheldon's work on behalf of civil liberties began soon after his return to Minneapolis after World War II; he fought discrimination, restrictive covenants and blacklisting. In 1958, Sheldon successfully represented the plaintiff in a landmark case overturning a restrictive covenant based on race that prohibited his Native American client from being buried at the cemetery of her choice.

Sheldon's love of the profession eventually led him to the presidency of the Hennepin County Bar Association, the MSBA Board of Governors and the ABA House of Delegates.

In 1963, Sheldon helped form the firm of Karlins, Grossman, Karlins, Siegel & Brill, now known as Siegel, Brill, Greupner, Duffy & Foster. After his retirement in 1982, he acted as a labor arbitrator for many years.

Sheldon embodied much that is best in the tradition of the law, bringing a small town "feel" to a large city practice. Despite his success, he never lost his humility, his sense of humor or his desire to help those most in need of help.

WOODR. FOSTER, JR.



**IN MEMORIAM**  
**JOSEPH M. KASTELIC**

**September 26, 1964 – November 24, 2000**

Joe Kastelic was born and grew up in the Slovenian community on the south side of Chicago. He was raised with his five brothers and sisters in a household where Slovenian was the first language and English the second. Joe took great pride in his ethnic background.

Joe graduated from the University of Illinois in 1986 with a degree in aeronautical and astronautical engineering, after which he went to work for Boeing Corp. in Seattle. Joe had great stories to tell of his days as a flight test engineer at Boeing, where he was involved, among other things, in the flight testing and approval of the Boeing 767 and the 747-400. The stories sounded very dangerous and exciting to us "non-aviators," but Joe assured us that the vast majority of flight testing was very safe and often routine. Joe also had a private pilot's license, and spent a fair amount of time during those years flying around the skies of Seattle.

Joe left Boeing in 1989 and went back to the University of Illinois for law school. He joined Merchant & Gould in Minneapolis, first as a law clerk in 1991, then as an associate in 1992 and finally as a partner in 2000. Joe was a talented, dedicated and hardworking patent lawyer. He was one of the few lawyers at Merchant & Gould who, even after eight years at the law firm, continued to work both on patent prosecution, obtaining patents for clients, and on patent litigation. To all of his work, he brought his unique combination of a creative mind, focus and an attention to detail, that resulted in the highest quality work product. Both his clients and his co-workers considered him a pleasure to work with.

One of Joe's great passions was golf. He applied the same focus that he brought to the practice of law to his golf game. He did not have a lot of natural talent for golf, and would never be accused of having a "pretty" golf swing. But he got the most out of his golf swing, and he had a knack for finding a way to get the ball in the hole.

Joe's greatest passion, however, was his family. He married Georgie Danehower in 1987. They had two girls together: Katie, who is now seven, and Anna, who is four. Joe sacrificed much, both in his professional life and in his social life, so that he could spend more time with Georgie and his girls, and he was happy to do so.

Joe took his own life on November 24, 2000, the day after Thanksgiving. For those of us who knew Joe well, it is hard to understand the sudden mental illness that drove this happy and loving man, who had so much to live for, to such an act. The best that we can do now is remember, not how Joe died, but how Joe lived.

J. DEREK VANDENBURGH

**IN MEMORIAM**  
**CHAD A. KLINGBEIL**

**December 5, 1958 – April 13, 2000**

Chad A. Klingbeil was born in 1958 in south Minneapolis, where he attended grade school at Christ the King and high school at Benilde-St. Margaret's. Chad graduated from the University of Notre Dame in 1981 with a B.S. in mechanical engineering and a B.A. in economics. Chad received his J.D. from William Mitchell College of Law in 1985. While attending law school, Chad also worked as an industrial engineer in manufacturing process development for a computer component manufacturing joint venture.

After graduation from law school, Chad began his career as an intellectual property lawyer in the Twin Cities. He worked for one year with the firm of Sturm & Baker, followed by eleven years with Moore & Hansen and two years with Oppenheimer Wolff & Donnelly. Chad was a welcome addition to the intellectual property department at Fredrikson & Byron in February 2000, where he died at his desk of a sudden heart attack in April 2000.

Chad was an active member of the Minnesota Intellectual Property Law Association, including the Computer Law Committee, the Copyright Law Committee (which he chaired from 1993 to 1994) and the Public Relations Committee (which he chaired from 1994 to 1995).

Chad loved music. He was a member of the Glee Club at Notre Dame, and was honored at his funeral with a performance by several Glee Club alumni. Chad performed with the Dale Warland Symphonic Chorus from 1988 to 1992, including performances of *Boris Godunov* and Beethoven's *Ninth Symphony* with the Minnesota Orchestra. Chad was also very active at Christ the King church, where, in addition to singing in the choir and as cantor, he served on the Parish Pastoral Council and the Parish Long Range Planning Committee. The combination of Chad's love of music and parish involvement resulted in his meeting and, in 1997, marrying Moya McGinn, director of the church's choir and liturgical planning.

Chad also loved computers and cars, the faster the better. While working as an attorney at Moore & Hansen, Chad also managed the firm's computer system design, installation and maintenance. The screen-saver on Chad's computer was usually a photo of his latest BMW, which he loved to take care of and drive (as fast as conditions allowed).

Chad is survived by his wife, Moya McGinn, her son, Patrick, and his parents, Art and Bette Klingbeil.

JOHN F. WURM



**IN MEMORIAM**  
**ROBERT WILLIAM LANE**

**December 30, 1931 – March 10, 2000**

Robert Lane was a graduate of Patrick Henry High School in Minneapolis (1950), Hamline College in Minneapolis (1955) and the William Mitchell College of Law in Minneapolis (1963). He was admitted to the bar for the State of Minnesota in 1963. He worked for the Minneapolis Gas Company/Minnegasco until 1987 and for the Minnesota Department of Commerce from 1990 to 2000. He was active in the YMCA and Boy Scouts and was a member of the Masons and the Zurah Shrine. He is survived by his wife, Marjorie, son Barret W.S. Lane, Esquire, daughter-in-law Pamela Stalheim Lane and grandchildren Benjamin W.S. Lane and Daniel W.S. Lane and son Stuart W. Lane, daughter-in-law Heather Lane and grandchildren Ethan W. Lane and Garrett W. Lane.

BARRET W.S. LANE

IN MEMORIAM

**JOHN MICHAEL LEE**

**March 26, 1941 – August 11, 2000**

John M. Lee was born in Austin, Minnesota, on March 26, 1941. John graduated from the University of Nebraska with a degree in business administration in 1964 and received his law degree from Creighton University in 1967.

John was perhaps best known for his professional efforts in the arena of white-collar criminal litigation – first as a federal prosecutor and later as a leading Minnesota criminal defense attorney.

During his tenure as an Assistant United States Attorney for the District of Minnesota between 1972 and 1994, John served as chief of the Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force and headed the office's Financial Institution Fraud Unit while prosecuting a series of high-profile cases. Among his more notable cases were the prosecution and conviction of John Diego "Casey" Ramirez, a nationally known benefactor of multi-million-dollar public-works projects in Princeton, Minnesota, convicted of conspiring to distribute several tons of cocaine; John Robert Boone, the leader of the so-called "Corn Bread Mafia" – a paramilitary group of 27 Kentuckians operating a marijuana-growing farm near New York Mills, Minnesota, from which the government seized 48 tons of marijuana in the largest domestic marijuana confiscation ever undertaken; Clyde Bellecourt, co-founder of the American Indian Movement (AIM), for LSD and cocaine distribution; Luigi Di Fonzo, a Harvard faculty member and Pulitzer-nominated author convicted of defrauding the widow of Minnesota lawyer Allen "Sven" Anderson while allegedly working on a book about Anderson; and Michael and Eugene Gruenberg, the president and CEO of Endotronics, a Minnesota biotechnology company, for bilking shareholders and investors out of \$75,000,000 by misrepresenting Japanese sales of a cell-culturing machine.

John later joined the Minneapolis law firm of Douglas A. Kelley, P.A., where he concentrated on defending corporations against state and federal criminal investigations and commercial lawsuits.

Throughout his professional career, John was recognized by friends and foes alike as a consummate professional, devoted first and foremost to the legal process above any end result. Perhaps John's greatest virtue was his ability to disarm opponents with his likeable personality and respectful demeanor.

Aside from his significant professional accomplishments, John was a devoted family man, who valued his relationship with his wife and five children above all else. John is survived by his wife, Susan; daughters, Suzanne and Angela Lee and Jennifer Lee Smith; sons, Michael and Nicholas Lee; and one grandson, Nathan. John is also survived by his mother, Mildred Schirmer, and brothers, James and Jay Lee.

DOUGLAS A. KELLEY



**IN MEMORIAM**  
**SIDNEY LORBER**

**February 17, 1916 – January 9, 2000**

If awards were handed out for contributions made to one's family, the community, colleagues, friends and the law, at the end of one's life, Sidney Lorber would be elected to the Humanity Hall of Fame. Significantly, Sidney's record of meaningful accomplishments are all the more notable because they emanated from an unassuming, modest, gentle and caring person.

Sidney was born and raised in Minneapolis. He first began thinking about becoming a lawyer in the eighth grade when he got a school assignment to write about what he wanted to be. He, of course, chose the profession of law. After he graduated from high school, he worked his way through the University of Minnesota by, among other things, selling candy bars. He graduated from the University Law School in 1943. While at the law school, he served as an editor of the *Minnesota Law Review*. After law school, Sidney went to work as a law clerk for the Honorable Harvey M. Johnsen of the Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals in Kansas City.

Sidney joined the law firm of Leonard, Street and Deinard in 1945 where he began his practice of law with Amos and Benedict Deinard. He continued to practice at the firm up until his death at the age of 83, having been at the firm for 55 years.

While at the Leonard Street law firm, Sidney Lorber became, over the years, the "heart" and conscience of the firm. He was particularly adept at resolving differences that might arise in his work as a business lawyer or even those that might arise among his partners. Similarly, no legal task was so important that he could not set aside some time to mentor and counsel younger lawyers in the firm.

Though not a litigator, in 1962 Sidney was assigned by the Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals to defend on appeal *pro bono* a Native American by the name of Fagerstrom. Fagerstrom had appealed a decision by a Federal District Court Judge who had denied Fagerstrom's motion to vacate an adjudication that he was a delinquent. In its opinion, the Court of Appeals reversed the Trial Court, and then, in the opinion itself, complimented Sidney for preparing such an excellent and persuasive brief.

However, Sidney Lorber's contributions were not only in the area of the law. He was very active in the community, having served as president of both the Jewish Community Relations Council and the Jewish Community Center. He also played a meaningful role in supporting the NAACP in its civil rights efforts during the 60s. In addition, Sidney taught "citizenship" to new immigrants. In spite of Sidney's work in the law and in the community, he was devoted to his wife Inez, who predeceased him, and his two daughters, Bonnie Berzovsky and Betty Jackson and their families. It was Sidney's greatest pleasure each year to invite his family (including grandchildren) to spend a week with Inez and him at a resort in Northern Minnesota each summer.

Sidney Lorber was a kind and compassionate person who, as a lawyer, served the rich and the poor alike, became a highly respected partner in his law firm, devoted his time to improving his community and was devoted to his family. He was a lawyer of whom the legal profession can indeed be very proud.

ALLEN I. SAEKS

**IN MEMORIAM**  
**ROBERT W. LUCAS**

**December 15, 1954 – April 6, 2000**

Rob Lucas was born on December 15, 1954, in California to Roy and Allyn Lucas, while his father, a physician, was stationed at Traverse Air Force Base. Rob spent his early years on the East Coast and grew up in Winter Haven, Florida.

He attended Deerfield Academy in Deerfield, Massachusetts, and obtained his undergraduate degree from Duke University. Rob studied Slavic languages and literature in Leningrad through Harvard University and obtained a graduate degree in international economics from Georgetown University.

Rob met his wife, Ellie, on Capitol Hill while both were working for Congressman Andy Ireland. In March 1981, Rob and Ellie were married in Washington, D.C.

Rob obtained his law degree from Florida State University and moved to Minnesota. He began his legal career at Moore, Costello & Hart and then joined Rider, Bennett, Egan & Arundel, where he practiced corporate law. Rob's entrepreneurial spirit quickly led him into business and in the early 1990s he bought ABC Industries, a grain bin producer, headquartered in Mendota, Illinois. Rob quickly expanded the business into Minnesota. He next purchased High Lift, an industrial equipment rental business based in Wisconsin. Rob expanded the High Lift business into Minnesota, as well, and in 1997, bought AquaPure, Inc., a company that provides water purification services. He expanded AquaPure into Florida. Rob sold High Lift Equipment Leasing Company in 1999.

Rob was an outdoorsman and always looked forward to a challenge and the excitement of hunting. He was a fly fisherman for more than 20 years, enjoying that sport in Colorado, Montana, Wisconsin and Minnesota. Rob also enjoyed ice fishing, deep sea fishing, snowmobiling, barefoot waterskiing and hunting pheasant with his dog, Sparky.

Rob is survived by his wife, Ellie, an executive vice president at GCI/Tunheim, a global communication network. Rob and Ellie have four wonderful daughters, Mary, Emily, Katharine and Christina, all of Edina, Minnesota. Rob is also survived by his brothers, Jon and David, a sister, Jane Rowan, and his parents, Roy and Allyn.

As one who knew Rob, both professionally and personally, and had the splendid opportunity to enjoy his contagious enthusiasm, I know that Rob will be missed by many, many people. His dedication to his family, his employees, his church and his friends is a model for all who knew him. Rob had an ability that few of us ever master. The ability to give of ourselves 110% and still take time to enjoy the beauty of a sunset.

ANN BARRY BURNS



**IN MEMORIAM**  
**JOHN A. Mc EACHRON, JR.**

**July 24, 1916 – November 15, 2000**

John Mc Eachron will be remembered by his friends and colleagues as a warm, loyal and highly professional person. His penchant for detail is the stuff of legend among court personnel and fellow litigators. His integrity was above reproach and he always conducted himself professionally as a gentleman, even under the most combative circumstances.

John was born in Minneapolis. He attended Washburn High School, where he was valedictorian of his graduating class, and the University of Minnesota, where he was a member of Beta Theta Pi social fraternity and Phi Beta Kappa academic fraternity. He attended the University of Minnesota Law School.

His professional career began in 1939 in Green Bay, Wisconsin, but he soon returned to Minnesota to become a lead litigator at Faegre & Benson. He left Faegre & Benson as a partner to join his long-time friend, Karl Diessner, in the firm of Diessner & Mc Eachron. In the 1970s, he helped create the firm of Mc Eachron, Johnson & Milota. He culminated his career in Minnesota practicing with his son, Thomas S. Mc Eachron, in Bloomington, from 1975 to 1989, after which he retired to Tucson, Arizona. He was a proud member of the American College of Trial Lawyers throughout his career.

In the community, John was instrumental in founding the Minnesota Council on Alcohol Problems (MCAP) in the 1960s. He was preceded in death by his son, John A. (Andy) III. His survivors are his wife, Janet Pontius Mc Eachron; sons, Thomas S. and his wife, Patricia, and David W. and his wife, June; daughter, Mary Hellekson; and three grandchildren.

WILLIAM J. MILOTA

**IN MEMORIAM**  
**WILLIAM EARL McGEE**

**December 16, 1952 – November 13, 2000**

On November 13, 2000, Minnesota lost its "Minister of Justice," William Earl McGee, after a battle with lung cancer. McGee worked in the criminal courts in Minneapolis for 20 years. Mostly, he defended the poor. For the last four years of his life he was the chief public defender of the Fourth Judicial District. But he also served as an assistant county attorney for five years. As a prosecutor, he was known for shaking hands with the defendant at the end of the case. He let people know he was working for justice, not just to win.

William McGee was born in St. Paul on December 16, 1952, one of four children of Earl Wayman McGee and Anna Woods McGee. He attended St. Paul Academy, one of the first African Americans to do so, and later became a scholar and athlete at John Marshall High School in Rochester. He played football and studied Latin, and graduated with a major in Latin from the University of Minnesota in the mid-1970s. Later he received a master of arts degree in classical studies. He was the first African American chief public defender in Minnesota, and also the first chief public defender who could read Latin and Greek.

William's passion to understand a range of cultures distinguished his whole career. At the University of Minnesota Law School, where he received the juris doctor in 1980, he was the leader of the Third World Caucus. As the executive director of the Legal Rights Center, from 1985 to 1992, he worked with the multi-racial staff to serve Native American, African American, Asian American and Hispanic communities. His close friend, Judge Pamela Alexander, described him as "... a wonderful presence in the community ... very highly visible among communities of color - all communities, not just African American communities. He was just a wonderful legal asset." In the last years of his life he became a consultant to people starting public defender offices in Africa.

William McGee emerged from some harsh experiences as a bridge-builder. At the age of 19 he was badly beaten by police in St. Paul, who mistakenly identified him as a robbery suspect. Twenty-five years later, he transcended ugly attacks on his character to become chief public defender. Once in office, he continued to reach out to the diverse communities in Hennepin County, and also worked hard, and successfully, to heal deep divisions in his own office. His vision of justice was not one of vengeance, but reconciliation.

Law and justice and community were big themes for William, but the energy in his life carried him many places. He was a passionate teacher, and a devoted mentor. He was a leader of the bar, and a founder and president of the Minnesota Association of Black Lawyers, which has created a memorial scholarship in his name. He won many awards as a lawyer; but he was also a man of faith.

William McGee was devoted to his family, which includes his wife, Rose McGee; four children, Jason, Jeremy, Adam Davis-McGee and Roslyn Harmon; his father, Earl; a sister, Carol McGee Johnson; two brothers, David and Jonathan McGee; and his grandson, Jaekwon McGee. When the family gathered, William would cook them a feast.

Personally, I will always remember him speaking to groups. He would start off saying "good morning!" and would not go on until the group returned his greeting. He expected that people would become involved, and active, like himself.

JOHN STUART



**IN MEMORIAM**  
**RALPH K. MORRIS**

**August 15, 1940 – February 15, 2000**

Ralph Morris was born and raised on a farm outside of Dassel, Minnesota. He continued to operate the family farm until his death on February 15, 2000. Following graduation from Dassel High School, Ralph ventured east to attend Harvard University, from which he graduated *cum laude* in 1962 with a history degree. He received his law degree from Stanford University in 1966. In 1962, Ralph married his high school sweetheart, Jarolynn, and together they raised three children – Christopher, Melissa and Michael.

Ralph began his legal career of representing farmers and cooperatives at Doherty, Rumble & Butler in St. Paul, where he practiced for 33 years. In the fall of 1998, he moved his practice to the Minneapolis-based law firm of Dorsey & Whitney. Ralph devoted his legal career of 34 years to providing legal services to agricultural and rural electric cooperatives throughout the United States. A nationally and internationally respected lawyer in the field, he wrote and lectured frequently on cooperative law. His passion for helping farmers/growers and cooperatives was very evident in his determination and spirit, and in the creative ways in which he addressed legal issues. Ralph had an innate ability to “see the big picture” and to provide the practical counsel necessary to get a project completed or an issue resolved. Ralph’s impact on management and staff of the various organizations that he counseled, as well as his contributions to cooperative boards, will always be remembered.

Ralph was the chairman of the Agriculture & Cooperative Law Practice Group at Dorsey & Whitney, where he provided leadership and mentoring to his colleagues in representing cooperatives. He won many national awards for his legal work on behalf of cooperatives and farmers, including receiving the Minn-Dak Hall of Fame award and being named a “National Honored Cooperator” by the National Cooperative Business Association. He served on the Board of Directors of the American Farmland Trust, a Washington-based organization devoted to preserving farmland and reducing urban sprawl. He also served as chairman of the Land Projects Committee for this organization. Ralph was active on the Legal, Tax & Accounting Committee of the National Council of Farmer Cooperatives and in the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association.

Ralph’s roots and heart were in rural Minnesota and agriculture ingrained in him the values that were the defining force in his life. He had an unending passion for farmer-owned entities and rural development. While Ralph’s many successes at the negotiating table and in the board room are legendary, he was first and foremost a quality person whose career and approach to the practice of law stressed loyalty, fairness, good humor and cooperation.

DAVID P. SWANSON

**IN MEMORIAM**  
**RICHARD A. NORDBYE**

**September 5, 1919 – July 13, 2000**

Dick Nordbye was a member of the distinguished Nordbye family of lawyers. His father was a federal district court judge, and his brother, Rodger L. Nordbye, was both house counsel and in the private practice of law. Dick graduated from the University of Minnesota Law School in 1942, where he was editor of the Law Review. He attended Stonier School of Banking and graduated with honors.

For 20 years he was on the staff of the First National Bank (now U.S. Bank) retiring as vice president, general counsel and secretary. Thereafter he spent five years as counsel to the Bloomington law firm of Larkin, Hoffman, Daly & Lindgren, Ltd.

Dick Nordbye is survived by wife, Marjorie, whom he married May 7, 1949, daughter, Andrea Bassett, and son, Reverend Stephen Nordbye.

Besides his love and respect for the law, he had an active life in support of various professional and community activities, including presidency of the Minnesota State Bar Foundation, Minnesota Landscape Arboretum and Presbyterian Homes.

Dick Nordbye cherished his family and was cherished by them and by his colleagues. Decency and integrity were the matrix of his being. Love of family and the environment were the keys to his personality. Intellect and humor provided the lubricants for his passage through life.

GERALD FRIEDEL



**IN MEMORIAM**  
**RODGER L. NORDBYE**

**February 12, 1918 – January 29, 2000**

It was fun to practice law with Rodger Nordbye. It was so because Rodger reveled in it, did it really well and wanted the same for his colleagues. By the early 1970s, when I met him, Rodger had been a successful lawyer for many years: Army Air Corps Service, Harvard Law Review, partner at Faegre & Benson, general counsel at Archer Daniels Midland – all pretty heady stuff, and all beside the point for Rodger. It wasn't in Rodger's nature to dwell on his own accomplishments. He did, however, make it a point never to let the smallest accomplishment of an associate go unnoticed, and God forbid that a major turning point should go without tangible recognition. That would be the occasion for a festive lunch at the very least, and quite likely a medal (the ribbon and seal from an expensive can of Norwegian sardines would do nicely), a "diploma" (perhaps bearing the forged signatures of our long-dead founders) or a laboriously researched book of 15th-century engravings, each humorously captioned in English and Latin to fit the occasion.

Rodger wasn't without pride. He was proud of his heritage: he was a Norwegian, a Lutheran and a life-long citizen of Minneapolis. He was proud of his family – father (federal Judge Gunnar Nordbye), brother (Dick, counsel to First Bank), wife, children and grandchildren – and could talk about them at length without being the least bit boring. He was also proud, perhaps with somewhat less justification, of his folio of terrible jokes and his piano playing. Rodger played the national anthem at Rotary Club for about 30 years – longer, I'm told, if you were there to hear it!

It wouldn't be fair to Rodger to finish without saluting his intellectual gifts. Rodger knew the law. He was a great legal resource for his clients and his fellow lawyers. But he was his profession in the context of a broader tradition. He said you couldn't understand Minnesota's usury law, for instance, without an appreciation for the plight of the immigrant farmers. So Rodger read history. But history was empty without understanding faith, and economics, and music . . . and so on. He read voraciously and sought out people who shared his interests.

Such a man is a pleasure to know, and when he is gone, a fond memory and an inspiration.

MICHAEL H. HARPER, JR.

**IN MEMORIAM**  
**VERNON J. RAUSCH**

**May 27, 1937 – August 21, 2000**

Vernon J. Rausch was born on May 27, 1937, in Dickinson, North Dakota. He earned his bachelor's degree from St. John's University in Collegeville, and his law degree from the University of North Dakota Law School in Grand Forks.

In the early 1960s, Vernon Rausch worked as a staff attorney in the U.S. Department of the Interior's office in St. Paul and then was appointed as an administrative law judge with the Office of Hearings and Appeals of the U.S. Department of the Interior at Fort Snelling. For 33 years he dedicated his legal skills to service as an administrative law judge. In this capacity, he worked with Indian tribes in Minnesota, Wisconsin, Michigan, North Dakota, South Dakota and Montana, often traveling to reservations in those states to preside over trials involving land disputes. His wife, Susan, noted that he loved the part of his job that permitted him to work with Native Americans.

Vernon Rausch was active in the Minnesota Chapter of the Federal Bar Association and served as its president in the late 1970s. John Halpern, a lawyer and fellow Federal Bar Association member, remembers his friend as being "warm-hearted, ethical and a moral lawyer." Halpern said that he was "well-respected as a judge, a wonderful person whose moral compass was always pointed in the right direction. He was a top-notch attorney and person." Halpern also noted that he always handled problems with "universal calm."

Fred Lambrecht, a fellow administrative law judge, said that his colleague's personality was well-suited to the role as a judge. According to Lambrecht, he was "very meticulous in the way he performed his work" and he had great sensitivity and empathy for the feelings of the persons who appeared before him and a keen understanding for how his decisions would affect their lives.

In addition to his legal duties, he enjoyed sports, outdoor activities and the arts. He also retained an avid interest in how well his alma mater, St. John's, would do in athletics.

Vernon Rausch was a positive thinker who was a friend and mentor to many and beloved by those who knew him. In August 1999, he was diagnosed with cancer, the illness that ultimately led to his premature death. He is survived by his wife, Susan; two sons, John and Mark; two daughters, Mary and Ann Montalvo; two stepdaughters, Diane Hawkins and Jill Koosmann; a stepson, Warren Johnson; four sisters, Mary Ann, Mildred Gallagher, Audrey Behrendt and Karen Wolf; two brothers, Bob and Tom; and 10 step-grandchildren.

HON. PAUL H. ANDERSON



**IN MEMORIAM**  
**CAROLE A. ROBERTUS**

**DECEMBER 7, 1956 – December 20, 1999**

Carole A. Robertus died December 20, 1999, of breast cancer at the age of 43. She is survived by her loving husband, Thomas Kukielka, and her children, Marie and Matthew Kukielka.

Carole was a 1975 graduate of Irondale High School and a 1979 graduate of the University of Minnesota, where she was named Minnesota's first Truman Scholar, recognized for her academic achievement and commitment to public service. She earned a master of public policy degree at the University of Michigan in 1981, and graduated from the University of Minnesota Law School in 1984. She practiced with the law firm of Robins, Kaplan, Miller & Ciresi until 1989 when she joined the Prudential Insurance Company of America. There she served as counsel to Prudential Home Mortgage, the company's mortgage banking operation. In 1995, she assumed responsibility as the attorney in charge of Prudential Insurance Company's Midwest Law Department. Carole was active in many state and local DFL campaigns, and served in a variety of positions within the DFL party.

ANNAMARIE DALEY

**IN MEMORIAM**  
**GERALD M. SINGER**

**April 14, 1933 – December 30, 1999**

Jerry Singer was born and grew up on the north side of Minneapolis. His keen mind, uncanny aptitude for figures and persuasive ability were evident from grade school days. He was a voracious reader on a wide range of subjects. He graduated from North High School and worked his way through the University of Minnesota, graduating from its law school in 1957.

About a year after he had begun his solo general practice, Jerry was hired by Hennepin County's first public defender, the venerable Lewis "Scoop" Lohmann, who led a part-time staff of only four lawyers. He honed his courtroom skills defending poor people accused of felonies. Jerry had an extraordinary memory, a particularly valuable attribute for a trial lawyer who couldn't read his own handwriting. Through use of his fine memory and analytical mind, Jerry was quickly recognized by prosecutors as a formidable opponent.

In the mid-1960s Jerry left his public defender's job to devote full time to his growing private practice. In 1969 he became a partner in the firm then known as Robins, Meshbesh, Singer & Spence where he continued handling a wide variety of cases. Due to health concerns, Jerry retired from his firm in 1989, but continued to represent several long-time clients until 1995. Upon Jerry's death, his former law partner, Minnesota Supreme Court Justice James Gilbert, commented that Jerry was "one of the last great general practitioners."

More important than his skills as a lawyer was Jerry's character as a man of integrity and compassion. While he sometimes appeared gruff and abrupt, he was a real "softy," generous with his time and money. He volunteered much time to civic and charitable work, including the well-known "Duff's Celebrity Golf Tournament," which Jerry and his good friend and client, Joe Duffy, helped found. In the 1970s and 1980s he was a member of the Minneapolis Civil Service Commission for 10 years, including a period as its chairman. In that role he continued his commitment to civil rights by fighting vigorously to increase employment opportunities in the police department for Native Americans and African Americans. He did what he knew was right and never sought nor expected a thank you.

Jerry married Connie (Marcus) in 1958. They had two children, Loren and Lynne (Grossman), both of whom – to Jerry's never-ending pride – became lawyers. Through their 41-year marriage, Connie and Jerry had a remarkable common interest in films and movie history. If Connie couldn't name the film awarded the 1940 Academy Award and its director, Jerry could. They loved to critique classic movies while watching them back-to-back for hours.

In addition to his wife and children, Jerry is survived by his son-in-law, Andrew Grossman; grandchildren, Eliana and Jared Grossman; brother and sister-in-law, Arnold and Charlene Singer; and mother-in-law, Audrey Marcus. He will be sorely missed by his family and friends and by the hundreds of lawyers who knew they didn't need to confirm Jerry's word in writing.

RONALD I. MESHESHER



**IN MEMORIAM**  
**SAMUEL G. SMILOW**

**May 4, 1902 – March 27, 1999**

Sam Smilow was born in Minneapolis in a house that still stands on 11th Avenue South. From the time he was old enough to realize what he wanted to do with his life, he loved the law. After graduating from South High School, he entered the Northwestern College of Law, passing the bar exam in 1924, with the second highest score out of 300 taking the test. He chose to go into private practice with his brother David and they opened their office in the Plymouth Building, his home away from home for the next 60 years.

One of Sam's proudest moments was the day he was sworn in to practice before the U.S. Supreme Court. A testament to his ability and his integrity is the fact that many of the clients he had when he retired had been with him since he began his practice almost 70 years before.

One of Sam's regrets was being unable to serve in the armed forces: he was too young for the first World War and too old for the second. But he still managed to serve on the home front in the 1940s as a reserve officer in the Coast Guard and an air raid warden during the blackout drills that were part of life in the war years.

There was only one thing that meant more to Sam than the law, and that was his family – his wife and two daughters. He would give up a lucrative client, if it meant taking too much time from his family. He was married to his first wife for 53 years, enjoying his six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. After his wife died in 1980, he remarried and was with his second wife until he died.

One of Sam's attributes was his ability to accept whatever life had to offer and make the most of it. And when he died, he seemed to accept that, too. When it was time, he just went to bed as usual and never woke up. Not a bad way to go after 96 good years.

Sam is survived by daughters Joan Fingerman and Susan Seitel.

JOAN FINGERMAN

**IN MEMORIAM**  
**PHILIP J. STERN**

**September 28, 1910 – May 23, 2000**

Philip Jacob Stern was born in Marshalltown, Iowa, on September 28, 1910. He moved to Minneapolis at age 15 where he graduated from West High School. Thereafter, he attended the University of Minnesota and the University of Minnesota Law School, graduating in 1934.

Phil was admitted to the Minnesota Bar that year. He was a solo practitioner in general practice for 66 years. He enjoyed tackling all types of problems, both in and out of the courtroom. For more than 20 years, Phil served as the attorney to the Advisory Board of the Salvation Army, a representation that he thoroughly enjoyed. He literally was one of the last of the diminishing breed of generalists in solo practice.

His legal career was interrupted by World War II. He served five years in the United States Army as an infantry captain and later as a member of the judge advocate general corps. Phil was among the first to land at Omaha Beach on D-Day, and he served in France and Germany with the United States Army of Occupation. He was awarded the Purple Heart and Bronze Star for heroism.

Phil had a love for the law and his profession. His ever-present enthusiasm grew even more intense when he was working on a challenging legal problem. He loved debating the merits of his and his opponent's positions, and, of course, he was most satisfied when others concurred with his wisdom!

Phil was known for his boundless energy; his quick sense of humor; his never-ending ability to talk with and empathize with everyone, be they board chairs or janitors moving chairs; his love for the outdoors, especially hunting ducks, pheasants and geese; and his great pride in his family. He is survived by June, his loving wife of 48 years; daughter, Dottie Hammel of Chicago; son, Leo (who followed his father in the legal profession) and daughter-in-law, Chris, of Minneapolis; and five grandchildren.

Nearing his 90th birthday, when Phil was in hospice care at home, his interest in others never waned. He was aware of every child and grandchild's activities and concerns; he phoned his friends across the country; and he asked his caregivers about their lives and families. He was a good listener who gave thoughtful advice. In astrological terms, he was a Libra, born under the sign of the balance, a fitting sign for one with a lifelong devotion to blind justice. His sign of the Zodiac hung in the den over his computer, a high-tech tool he acquired and mastered between his 80th and 90th years. Even in his final hours, Phil never stopped caring, questioning and learning. For him, that's what it meant to be a lawyer.

JAMES E. DORSEY



## IN MEMORIAM

### HON. BRUCE CHARLES STONE

**July 16, 1916 – April 25, 2000**

Bruce C. Stone attended elementary and high school at Monticello, Minnesota, and graduated as valedictorian and a multi-lettered athlete of the high school class of 1933. He attended Hamline University for two years and transferred to the University of Minnesota where he received his bachelor's degree. He enrolled at the Minneapolis College of Law, a predecessor of the William Mitchell College of Law, and was awarded his law degree in 1940.

World War II was imminent and, in June of 1941, he enlisted in the United States Air Force. At that time he was courting Holly, the wonderful girl who shared his life for 58 years. In February 1942 he got a three-day pass and on Valentine's Day they were married. A few days later Lt. Stone left for overseas duty and 38 months later a decorated Major (later Lt. Colonel) Stone returned to join his bride. In the years that followed they were joined by sons, Bruce and Michael; daughter, Holly; two grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Bruce practiced in Minneapolis during 1946 and 1947 and then became an assistant and then first assistant Hennepin County attorney. In 1961 he was appointed to municipal court and served as judge and as chief judge. In 1968 he was appointed judge of district court and served until he retired in 1982 after 21 years of judicial service.

He contributed much of his retired life to serving as a judge of the Minnesota Court of Appeals and sitting as trial judge in various judicial districts where overloaded court calendars or other factors made it advisable to bring in a strong, well-respected judge. He also used his retirement time to aid the cause of justice by serving as a mediator, arbitrator or other case disposition expert.

During his entire judicial career he furthered law student education. He served as an instructor and a judge in moot court and was an adjunct professor at William Mitchell College of Law and the University and Hamline law schools.

He served on innumerable commissions, committees and task forces to develop new ways of handling administrative, legal and logistic case disposition methods and was active in state and local bar associations.

Bruce recognized that community service was a part of a citizen's duty and he served as a Boy Scout leader, and as a member of the Junior Chamber of Commerce, the United Fund and the United Hospital Fund. He was a Little League coach for years.

His personal memberships were the Skylight Club, Fox and Hounds, Finesse Futile, Sons of the Desert, Reserve Officers Association Past Presidents and the Society of American Baseball Research. In the latter he kept statistics on everything to do with baseball and he could answer almost any question about games, averages, players, managers, winners and losers or anything else about the game.

The community, the bench, the bar and all who knew Bruce have lost a friend and a champion.

HON. DOUGLAS K. AMDAHL

**IN MEMORIAM**  
**JOHN RYAN THAYER**

**March 20, 1918 – July 26, 2000**

Jack Thayer was born in St. Paul, Minnesota, on March 20, 1918, to Agnes Ryan Thayer and Percival Ernest Thayer. His father was an officer with 1st Bank of St. Paul.

Jack went to school in St. Paul and graduated from St. Thomas Military Academy in June 1936. He was granted a bachelor of science in law (BSL) degree by the University of Minnesota in June 1940. He graduated from the University of Minnesota Law School in June 1942.

Jack entered duty with the FBI as a special agent on September 14, 1942. He trained at Washington, D.C., and Quantico, Virginia and was then assigned to offices in New Haven, Boston, Norfolk, Baltimore and Minneapolis. In his FBI career, Jack worked mainly on criminal matters such as kidnapping, extortion, bank robbery and burglary, and white-slave traffic, plus security and personal background investigations for various federal agencies. The last several years, prior to retirement on June 30, 1973, Jack worked mainly on fugitive cases. This work was with another agent since an arrest is possible at any time.

From July 3, 1973, to October 31, 1973, Jack worked as a private investigator for Special Agent Consultants, Inc., in Bloomington. On November 1, 1973, he entered private law practice at Montevideo, with the firm of Claggett & Thayer. He was also employed as assistant county attorney by Chippewa County from December 1, 1973, to December 31, 1976. On May 30, 1977, Jack returned to Minneapolis and retired from active practice. In 1986, the Thayers built a new home and moved from Edina to Bella Vista, Arizona.

Jack was admitted to the Minnesota Bar on June 1, 1955. He was a member of the Minnesota State Bar Association, Chippewa County Bar Association, Phi Delta Phi honorary legal fraternity, Minnesota Alumni Association, Society of Former Special Agents of the FBI, Kiwanis Club, Knights of Columbus and Sons of the American Revolution.

Jack was married to Genevieve Metrailler and had seven children. Any write-up about Jack would not be complete without mention of his delightful sense of humor. This was a hallmark of his life.

Jack is survived by his wife and seven children – four of whom live in the Twin Cities area. He also has a brother, Jerome, who is a dentist living in North St. Paul. Jack has nine grandchildren.

WILLIAM F. MALCHOW



**IN MEMORIAM**  
**THEODORE P. WANGENSTEEN, JR.**

**October 9, 1938 – January 4, 2000**

"Nothing in moderation" was the motto my brother, Ted Wangenstein, espoused and lived by during his 61 short but jam-packed years. His life and work were multi-faceted and always colorful. Ted was never dull, never hum-drum. To be sure, he could be flamboyant. Married three times (most recently and successfully to his wife of 23 years, Kathryn), and the father of five children, Ted perhaps naturally gravitated into the practice of "domestic" law. As a lawyer, he was tenacious, persevering and unswerving in his loyalty and representation of his clients. Many of his divorce clients gave testimonials at his funeral, as to his ability to represent them in, and out of, court ("Thank you, Ted, for helping me to believe in myself" "Thank you, Ted, for being my safety net" "Thank you, Ted, for saving my life"). He was able to give back to many of them the hope, confidence and self-respect that they had lost during and after matrimonial crisis. Ted also had an uncanny knack of matchmaking. He introduced many of his divorce clients to each other, and a surprising number of these couples then married and remained lifelong friends of Ted's, and even honorary pallbearers at his funeral. Ted was nothing if not charismatic.

Creative in his law practice, Ted was even more creative and talented in his extracurricular activities. Ted was a very precocious piano player, and voted "most talented" in his Washburn High School class of 1956. Shortly after I joined him (for nine memorable years) in practice in Wayzata in 1973, Ted won a "first prize" for painting, a passion that he thereafter took up in earnest. Ted's house was a home, a law office and an artist's studio. His basement was filled with canvases in progress, the walls of his home covered from floor to ceiling with his finished works. He specialized early on in pen-and-ink drawings, later watercolor and acrylic. His subjects included the Hennepin County Government Center, the family farm in Lake Park, Minnesota, fishing expeditions and just about every fairway and green on the Baker Park, Rush Creek and Palm Desert golf courses. Golf, stamp collecting and model railroads and growing roses and orchids were secondary, but never "minor," interests. Everything that Ted pursued was done with passion.

Wife Kathryn, his children Ted, Kippy, Kirsten, Chris and BJ – and I – miss him.

WILLIAM K. WANGENSTEEN

**IN MEMORIAM**  
**OLIVER WANGLIE**

**May 27, 1904 – January 8, 2000**

Oliver Wanglie was a political institution on Minneapolis' north side. In the Fourth Ward and beyond, he was known as "Mr. Republican." His friend, fellow lawyer and political adversary, former DFL Senator Edward Gearty, recalls that Wanglie was "conservative in his political views, but was always constructive in his approach." Lyall Schwarzkopf, a former Republican legislator and chief of staff to Governor Arne Carlson, agrees saying "Oliver was a team player. Once a matter was decided, he got on board and worked hard for the common goal." Gearty remembers that Oliver would even come to DFL meetings in an effort to get ideas on how to better organize the north side for the Republicans. Gearty recalls telling him that his main problem was that there just were not that many Republicans who lived there.

Wanglie was born on May 27, 1904, on a farm just outside of the town of Lily, South Dakota. While he and Hubert Humphrey frequently disagreed on political issues, they enjoyed sharing their common bond as native sons of South Dakota. He completed an eighth-grade education in South Dakota and then worked on farms and ranches and as a mechanic while going to evening and summer school. He graduated from University High School in Minneapolis, and attended the University of Minnesota and Augsburg College before earning his law degree in 1937 from the Minnesota College of Law, now the William Mitchell Law School, in St. Paul.

Wanglie engaged in the general practice of law in Minneapolis, mostly family law, probate, estate planning and some criminal law. At the end of his career he continued to practice out of his home on Xerxes Avenue. He was a member of the Lutheran church and a very religious man. He loved to walk, and was often seen walking in the neighborhood he worked so hard to organize. He died at age 95 on January 8, 2000. His wife of 54 years, Helga, predeceased him as did his son, David. He is survived by his daughter, Ruth, daughter-in-law, Anna, and grandchildren, Michael and Jennifer.

HON. PAUL H. ANDERSON



The Memorial book is presented to the families and friends of the deceased attorneys and members of the bench and bar with compliments of FINANCE AND COMMERCE who join in honoring those who contributed so much to the legal profession.

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