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SAMUEL H. McELHANEY

(July 29, 1876 - March 7, 1969)

DISTRICT COURT THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT WINONA COUNTY

WINONA COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION

APRIL 21, 1969

MEMORIAL TO SAMUEL H. McELHANEY

On Friday, the 7th day of March, 1969, Samuel H. McElhaney died at the age of 92 years. His death terminated a career of 42 years as lawyer and judge that began in 1921 when he obtained the degree of Bachelor of Law at the University of Minnesota.

Born on the 29th day of July, 1876 at Dover, Minnesota, he spent the first years of his life in Winona County, later moving to New Jersey where, in honor of the desires and wishes of his father, he studied and practiced as an osteopath. It was during his years in Newark that he met and married Mary Colgan in 1906, who is his surviving spouse.

After obtaining his degree in Law, he returned to St. Charles where in 1927 he was elected Municipal Judge of that City, and served in that capacity until his retirement in 1964.

He is characterized by his friends as a man of considerable dignity, mellowed with humor; of 60 years of steadfast loyalty to his church tempered with a profound tolerance for the religious beliefs of others; a kindly man concerned for the welfare of those who sought professional services as well as of those who appeared before his bench; and dedicated to the ideal that his profession was conceived as the means of providing aid and advice to those in need of legal assistance.

The members of the Winona County Bar Association, in recognition of Mr. McElhaney's seniority in the legal profession of this County, request that this memorial be entered in the records of the District Court of the Third Judicial District, and that a copy be provided to his widow, Mrs. Mary McElhaney.

Dated at Winona, Minnesota, this 21st day of April, 1969.

WINONA COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION MEMORIAL COMMITTEE

By: <u>/s/ Roger S. Poole</u>

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