

MEMORIAL RESOLUTION OF THE ALLEN COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION

BRUCE S. COWEN

We are here to pay respects to the memory of our deceased colleague and friend, Bruce S. Cowen, who passed away on May 27, 2005.

Born in Gary, Indiana on July 22, 1928, Bruce was raised in Gary and attended Gary College before being drafted into the United States Army for two (2) years. Upon his discharge from the Service, Bruce attended Indiana University in Bloomington and received his Bachelor's degree in business. He began law school at Indiana University in Bloomington, but finished at its Indianapolis campus and met his wife, Elaine while in law school there. They married in 1961 and Bruce graduated from the Indiana University Law School in 1963.

Bruce S. Cowen was admitted to the practice of law in the State of Indiana in 1963. He began his career in the trust department of Merchants Bank, Indianapolis and thereafter moved to Anderson, Indiana where he continued working in the trust department for another bank. He and Elaine moved to Fort Wayne in January 1964. Bruce opened his own law office in Fort Wayne, while still maintaining his job in Anderson. This continued for several months while he was getting started, and within a year he was practicing law full time. Bruce also served as a part time public defender for many years before becoming a deputy prosecutor in the misdemeanor division of the Allen Superior Court in 1984. He served in this capacity for only a couple of years and returned solely to private practice and was a general practitioner, focusing on criminal matters.

Bruce was a member of Christ United Methodist Church in Fort Wayne. He also was a member of the Optimist organization.

Bruce and his wife, Elaine who survives him, have four surviving children: two daughters: Kathleen Nowling of Clayton, Indiana and Susan Bright of New Haven and two sons: Allen and David both of Cary, North Carolina. Bruce is also survived by ten grandchildren, a sister, Helena Larson of Munster. Bruce was preceeded in death by two brothers: Carl and John Cowen.

Bruce Cowen will be remembered by his family, friends and colleagues as not only an outstanding lawyer but as a good man who was always pleasant and a real gentleman and always, to the extent possible, he would help others in any way he could. Bruce went the extra mile for his clients, making sure that his clients were well represented.

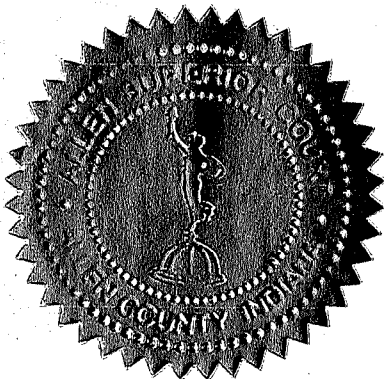
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Allen County Bar Association gives public expression of sorrow upon this, the occasion of the remembrance of the life and death of Bruce S. Cowen; and

BE IT FURTHER, RESOLVED, that this Resolution be unanimously adopted by those present at this assembly upon this occasion; and

BE IT FURTHER, RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted by the Office of the Allen County Bar Association to the members of the Cowen family; and

BE IT FURTHER, RESOLVED, that this Resolution be spread of record in the permanent records of the Courts of Allen County, Indiana, to evidence the respect and admiration of the members of the Bench and Bar for their departed friend, Bruce S. Cowen.

Dated this 12th day of October, 2005, at Fort Wayne, Allen County, Indiana.



ALLEN COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION

By: _____

Robert D. Moreland
Robert D. Moreland, President

ALLEN SUPERIOR COURT

By: _____

Stanley A. Levine
The Honorable Stanley A. Levine,
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