

Memorial Resolution of the Allen County Bar Association

James P. Dunn

We are here to pay our respects to the memory of our deceased colleague and friend, James P. Dunn, who passed away on January 29, 2007, at the age of 89.

Born on January 4, 1918, Jim was a long time Fort Wayne resident and graduated from Union City High School in Union City, Indiana. He attended Indiana University, obtaining a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business and graduated from the Indiana University School of Law, Bloomington in 1944. His college days were interrupted by service to his country where he served in the Navy aboard the USS Wyoming for a brief time. James was married to his beloved wife, Julia for 60 years, who predeceased him in December, 2006. He is survived by his two daughters, Rebecca West and Judith West, and son, Kevin Dunn, together with twelve grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

He was admitted to the Indiana Bar in 1945. James served the legal community as a partner with his father's law firm in Union City, Indiana until he moved to Indianapolis in 1951 to pursue other career opportunities. He returned to Fort Wayne in 1961 to practice with Chet Watson. After Chet's death, James continued to practice in Fort Wayne until he retired in 1982.

Jim served the local community by being involved with the Friend Committee on national legislation (FCNL), a lobbying arm with the Quaker religious body. Through this organization he developed an interest in the Native Americans Program, focusing on encouraging and developing the education opportunities for Native Americans. Jim also served on the Indiana Friends Committee on Legislation (IFCL) where at the state level he served on the board of Governors addressing legislative priorities. In both his personal and professional life, Jim was always proud to be an attorney, regularly expressed his belief that it is a noble profession, and sought to foster respect for the profession.

On a personal level, Jim and Julia loved to travel, and Jim in particular enjoyed seeing the historical sights of our country. Jim and Julia enjoyed camping well into their seventies and was an avid photographer (with varying degrees of success). His family reports 1 good picture out of 100 – but they cherish all of them. Aside from his personal interests, both the Bar and his family will always remember Jim for his sense of humor and how he used it in all facets of life to make a point or lighten the moment.

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 James P. Dunn; 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 Dunn 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, James P. Dunn.

Dated this 9th day of August, 2007.

THE ALLEN COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION

By: Cindy A. Wolfer
Cindy A. Wolfer, President

By: Stanley A. Levine
The Honorable Stanley A. Levine
Judge, Allen Superior Court