MEMORIAL RESOLUTION OF THE ALLEN COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION RICHARD PAUL STEELE

We are here today to pay our respects to the memory of our colleague and friend, Richard Paul Steele, who passed away on May 16, 1997.

Richard was born in Valparaiso, Indiana, on October 18, 1962. He obtained his undergraduate from DePauw University, and his law degree from Indiana University. Richard was admitted to practice law in Indiana in 1987. During his brief but active legal career, Richard was a law clerk for the Indiana State Court of Appeals and was an associate with Barnes & Thornburg. At the time of his death, Richard was a practicing on his own in Fort Wayne, primarily representing plaintiffs in employment discrimination cases.

Outside the practice of law, Richard was president of the board of trustees of the North Indiana Conference of the United Methodist Church, and a member of Bishop Woodie White's Strategy Council. Richard was also a huge fan of St. Louis Cardinals baseball team, and was instrumental in the formation of the Fort Wayne RAM "C" league, a local softball league for attorneys, accountants, and other professionals. Richard also was interested in the Civil War.

Richard is survived by his wife, Susan, his son, Paul, his parents, Rev. Paul and Diana Steele of Fort Wayne, and his sister, Jennifer Guebard of Fort Wayne. To his family, we express our deep sympathy and sorrow.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Allen County Bar Association gives public expression of sorrow upon this, the occasion of the death of Richard Paul Steele; 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 Bar Association of Allen County to the members of the Steele family; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution be spread of record in the permanent records of the Courts of Allen County to evidence the respect and affection of the members of the Bar and Bench for their departed friend, Richard Paul Steele.

Dated this 18th day of July, 1997.

Respectfully submitted,

THE ALLEN COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION

Michael Keefer, President

The Honorable Vern E. Sheldon

Allen Superior Court