MEMORIAL RESOLUTION OF THE ALLEN COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION BARRY C. TREMPER

JANUARY 24, 1924 - MAY 11, 1991

This morning we are gathered to pay our respects to the memory of our colleague, Barry Tremper, who passed away on Saturday, May 11, 1991.

Barry was born in Fort Wayne, on January 24, 1924. His earliest formal education was taken at Harrison Hill Elementary School. Barry was graduated from South Side High School in 1942.

Upon his graduation, Barry was called to serve his country, which he served honorably in the Signal Core from 1943 to 1946, as a cryptographer in General Eisenhower's headquarters in Europe.

After receiving an honorable discharge from the military service in 1946, he enrolled in Ripon College in Ripon, Wisconsin, where he obtained a Bachelor of Arts Degree in 1949.

Barry next enrolled in the Northwestern Law School, where he was graduated in 1952.

Barry commenced practicing law in Fort Wayne, in 1952, and became a member of the Allen County Bar Association. Barry first practiced law with Campbell, Livingston, Teeple, and Dildine. Barry next practiced with the law firm of Tremper, Frechenicht, and Kenny, until 1956, when the firm became known as Tremper and Kenny. In 1959, Barry practiced with Robert Myers, under the name of Myers and Tremper, and thereafter, formed the firm which is now known as Tremper, Bechert, Leonard and Terrill.

We will all remember Barry for his devotion to his clients, and the love of his work and profession. Barry knew from an early age that he wanted to be a lawyer, as he was influenced by the lawyer father of a boyhood friend. Barry particularly enjoyed practicing criminal law, as evidenced by his position as Public Defender of Allen County for a period that spanned 30 years. Barry was originally appointed Public Defender by Judge William H. Schannen.

While we all know of Barry's hard work, working seven days per week, including seeing prisoners at the jail on Sunday morning, he must also be remembered for his civic activities. Barry was a long-time active member of First Presbyterian Church, Three Rivers Lodge, the Scottish Rite, Mizpah Shrine, Friar's Club, an Honorary Member of the Fraternal Order of Police, the Fort Wayne Quest Club, Fort Nightly Club, the Fort Wayne Country Club, a co-founder of the Mad Anthony's Club. Barry was recently honored for his civic activities by being honored as Sagamore of the Wabash.

Barry was a good tennis player, and an excellent golfer, as at one time, he was recognized as Club Champion.

Barry has set a standard, which we, the members of his profession should strive to achieve. Barry always had kind words to say concerning his fellow lawyers, and was an attorney who played by the rules, attacking his opponent's legal position, not his opponent. As Judge Ryan once said of him, Barry was a person of grace, charm, and wit. We will all remember Barry as a friendly, kind person, who treated his law partners as family, and

his colleagues as dear friends.

Barry had a sense of humor, which we will all remember and miss. Many of us are aware perhaps of Barry's most famous case, being the Richard Keifer murder trial, upon which Barry won a reversal from the Indiana Supreme Court. Unfortunately, upon retrial, his client was again found guilty, and sentenced to die in the electric chair, which Barry contested and appealed all the way to the U.S. Supreme Court. What many of don't know, is Barry's last advice to his client, who called him shortly before the time scheduled for the execution, asking for Barry's last advice. Barry told him "don't sit down".

Barry is survived by his lovely wife, Patricia, and their three daughters, Lynn Tremper, who is a successful business woman in New York, Sandra Tremper O'Brien, who chose to follow in her father's footsteps, and is practicing law in Atlanta, and his daughter Dr. Christine Tremper Later, M.D., of Chicago. To the family of Barry Tremper, we express our sorrow, as we will miss seeing their father and husband, with his quick wit and easy smile. The community will miss his devotion and the profession will miss his commitment and the devotion of his skills to all those he represented, including the down-troddened.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Allen County Bar Association give public expression of sorrow upon this the occasion of the death of Barry Tremper; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution be unanimously passed 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 to the members of the Tremper 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 brother, Barry C. Tremper.

Mark Chambers

President

Allen County Bar Association

Terry L. Cornelius Memorial Committee

Allen County Bar Association

May 17, 1991

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