

Memorial Resolution of the Allen County Bar Association

PAUL J. SAUERTEIG

WHEREAS, we are here to pay respects to the memory of our deceased colleague and friend, Paul J. Sauerteig, who passed away on May 18, 2011.

WHEREAS, Paul J. Sauerteig was born on May 9, 1917, the son of Clair and Otto.

WHEREAS, In 1931, Paul attended Concordia College where he completed four (4) years of high school and two (2) years of college. Paul subsequently enrolled in Columbia University, graduating in 1939. In 1942, Paul graduated with an LLB from Columbia University School of Law.

WHEREAS, Paul served as a Staff Sergeant in the United States Army from 1942 to 1946. While serving his desk job, Paul enjoyed playing bridge with the Officers. Following his service in the Army, Paul began his legal career with Medical Protective. In 1951, Paul was hired by The Lincoln National Life Insurance Company where he worked for twenty-six years. During his tenure with Lincoln, Paul served as head of the legal department and as Vice President and Secretary of Lincoln. Paul is credited with introducing the first electric typewriter (IBM) to Lincoln. After leaving Lincoln in 1977, Paul became Of Counsel with Nieter Dixon Whitmore Myers and Koehlinger. In 1983, Paul opened the Sauerteig Law Office which merged later that year with Snow Rosenblatt and Moliere, now known as Snow & Sauerteig LLP. Paul practiced with his son, Paul O. Sauerteig, as Of Counsel at Snow & Sauerteig LLP until he retired on December 31, 2010, at the age of 93. Even after retiring, Paul continued to go into the office on a daily basis until he passed away in May, 2011. Paul practiced law for 65 years.

WHEREAS, Paul believed deeply in serving the community of Fort Wayne and legal community in which he practiced. Paul was a member of the Board of Directors of Lutheran Hospital for many years and served as Chairman of the Board. Paul was actively involved with the Lutheran Church, Lutheran Social Services, Inc. and Fort Wayne Philharmonic, serving on the Board of Directors. Paul was a member of the Allen County Bar Association's Forms Committee for several years and was instrumental in reviewing and updating the Bar Association's forms to reflect the most recent statutory changes. Paul was also a member of the Corporate Counsel Section of the Indiana State Bar Association, serving as a member of the Section's Council.

WHEREAS, Paul married Ruth Foelber on September 2, 1945. During their marriage, Paul and Ruth had three children, Mary, Paul, and Ellen. After Ruth's passing in 1981, Paul subsequently married Winifred Grove. Paul is survived by his daughter, Mary Yoder and son, Paul O. Sauerteig, his son-in-law Walter Yoder, daughter-in-law Dr. Diane Daly, his beloved grandchildren, Allison, J. Reid, and Duncan, and four great-grandchildren.

WHEREAS, Paul J. Sauerteig will be remembered by his family, friends and colleagues as a dedicated attorney, very detail oriented and "all around good at what he did." Paul was a gentleman, generous and kind to all.

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 Paul J. Sauerteig; 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 Sauerteig 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, Paul J. Sauerteig.

Dated this 26th day of August, 2011, at Fort Wayne, Allen County, Indiana.

THE ALLEN COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION

By: *Daniel G. McNamara*
Daniel G. McNamara, President

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

