Memorial

to

Maurice V. Evans

(February 22, 1877 – September 12, 1938)

Hennepin County Bar Association Hennepin County District Court Minneapolis, Minnesota February 11, 1939

Maurice V. Evans

Maurice V. Evans was born at Mankato, Minn., on Feb. 22, 1877, and died at Minneapolis. Minn., on Sept. 12, 1938.

He was the son of David and Eleanor Evans, both of whom came to the United States from Wales shortly after their marriage, and settled at Mankato, Minn.

Mr. Evans was graduated at the Mankato grade and high schools, and entered the University of Minnesota, where he was graduated from the law department in 1905. He was a member of Emma Alpha Epsilon fraternity.

On Oct. 12, 1920, Mr. Evans was married to Elizabeth Gillingham of Neenah, Wisconsin, and they had two daughters, both of whom survive him, Miss Harriet Evans, now of Neenah, Wis., and Miss Eleanor Evans, now of St. Cloud, Minn. Mr. Evans also is survived by one brother, John Evans, of Osseo, Minn.

For many years Mr. Evans was connected with the Physicians and Surgeons collection agency of Minneapolis, but in later years he was engaged in private practice of law in Minneapolis.

Mr. Evans was not spectacular in his practice or in his ways of life. Yet he did his daily tasks as they came before him, and he did them efficiently and well. He was a friendly, unassuming and sincere person. With his friends he would frequently discuss the many complex items of life. He had interesting views on religion, politics, government, and the teachings of history and they were sane and sensible views. He was a good student of the law, as well as a good student of human affairs, and although serious by nature his sense of humor generally saved the situation when a controversy became too hot.

In February 1937 Mr. Evans lost his wife under tragic circumstances. In some manner her clothing became ignited when she was attending the furnace in their home, and she was so severely burned that she died a few days later. Her death was a most severe blow to Mr. Evans, and his friends noticed that he never was quite the same after this loss. He would discuss the details of her death frequently, and never seemed to forget it.

Mr. Evans took great pride in his family. He was a home man, and his family was dear to him. Truly, it can be said of Mr. Evans that he epitomized the words of that immortal song, "Be it ever so humble, there is no place like home".

We miss him. We are sorry he has gone. Let us hope the remembrance of his many kind deeds and his sterling character will be a comfort to his family in the years to come, even as it is to his friends.

Those few words or eulogy are offered for a departed brother, and we ask that they be made a part of the records of this Court, along with those of others who have gone before.

February 11, 1939.

Respectfully submitted,

William Howard anderson

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MLHP: Evans was admitted to the bar on June 2, 1905, as a member of the University Law Class of that year.

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