

IN
MEMORIAM

WILLIAM FURST

[September 12, 1872 - June 8, 1939]

**Hennepin County Bar Association
Hennepin County District Court
Minneapolis, Minnesota**

WILLIAM FURST

William Furst who died at Minneapolis, Minnesota, on June 8, 1939, was born at Davis, California, September 12, 1872.

At the age of sixteen years, Mr. Furst was graduated from the High School at La Crosse, Wisconsin.

He received the degree of Bachelor of Science (1899) from the University of Minnesota, also the degrees of L.L.B., L.L.M. and L.L.D. from the law department.

During the seven years that he was a student at the University, he served as Assistant Librarian, first in the University-proper and in the Law Library. As an undergraduate he was a member of the Shakopian Debating Society.

He was admitted to the Bar in 1904 (sic) and immediately entered the practice of his profession. For a time at the incipiency of his practice, he lectured to the evening law classes.

He was admitted to practice in many states. At one time he served as Master in Chancery.

In the early years of his practice as an attorney he tried many land cases in the state of California, meeting with conspicuous success. He served as attorney for several large milling companies during the entire period of his practice. He represented from time to time several railroad companies.

For forty years he officed in the New York Life Building at Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Among the many organizations with which he was affiliated are the Duluth North Shore Country Club; the Interlachen Country Club; the Lafayette Club, the University Club of Chicago. He was a member of Lodge 224 of the Masons at Minneapolis and was a 32 degree Mason; also a member of Zurah Temple in the Shrine. He was a member of the Hennepin Avenue M. E. Church of Minneapolis.

He is survived by his widow and one son.

Mr. Furst attained to more than ordinary success at the Bar. He was often called in as a consultant by other lawyers in important litigation. In trial work he prepared his cases with meticulous care and before the Court and Jury he was very successful. Many of his briefs before Appellate Courts are models in this type of work.

His passing is a distinct loss to the Bar.

Harry S. Swensen

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MLHP: Business card and references in *Hubbell's Legal Directory for Lawyers and Businessmen* Appendix, at 196 (1916)

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REFERENCES.

<p>Minneapolis : Security National Bank.</p> <p>Boston : Phelps, Durgin & Cook. Whipple, Sears & Ogden.</p> <p>Philadelphia : A. O. & W. S. Furst.</p> <p>Cleveland : Smith, Taft, Arter & Smith.</p> <p>Detroit : Douglas, Kamen & Barbour.</p>	<p>Denver : Dana & Blount.</p> <p>New Orleans : Dinkelspiel, Hart & Davey.</p> <p>New York : Sullivan & Cromwell. Shearman & Sterling.</p> <p>Chicago : Armour & Co. Swift & Co. Ferguson & Goodnow.</p>	<p>Pittsburg : Morris, Walker & Allen.</p> <p>Cincinnati : Ernst, Cassatt & Cottle.</p> <p>St. Louis : Grant, Carroll & Grant.</p> <p>Omaha : DeBord, Fradenburg & Van Oredel.</p> <p>San Francisco : Henry G. W. Dinkelspiel.</p>
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MLHP: Furst was admitted to the bar on June 6, 1902, as a member of the University Law Class of that year.

The date this Memorial was delivered is not listed; it probably was in 1940. ■

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