

MEMORIAL

TO

JACOB GARON

(February 10, 1897 – October 21, 1942)

**Hennepin County Bar Association
District Court
Fourth Judicial District
Minneapolis, Minnesota
February 12, 1943**

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Jacob Garon was born February 10, 1897, in Lithuania and came to the United States when still a young child. His parents settled in Duluth, where his father established a watch-supply business. After graduating Duluth Central High School, Jay went into business with his father and was in charge of the Minneapolis Branch of the business. He was never satisfied to be a business man. His ambition always was to be a lawyer.

He studied law at the Minneapolis College of Law, where he graduated in June, 1933, as one of the three highest men in his class. In 1938 and 1937, he was an instructor at the Minneapolis College of Law.

During the First World War when only nineteen, Mr. Garon enlisted in the army and at the end of the war was honorably discharged as a Second Lieutenant. Mr. Garon had a keen, penetrating mind. His chief hobby was chess, where he attained prominence as a member of the Minneapolis Chess Club and the winner of numerous prizes. He was of a high-strung, sensitive nature. He loved the excitement and challenge of the unusual case and sometimes his nerve got the better of his judgment. He is survived by a wife and three children.

He often quoted a verse from a poem by Edna St. Vincent Millay, which expressed his philosophy of life.

**"I burn my candle at both ends
It will not last the night.
But ah my foes, and oh my friends,
It gives a wonderous light."**

Respectfully submitted,

February 12, 1943

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**MLHP: Garon was admitted to the bar on November 7, 1933.
He died on October 21, 1942.**

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