

**IN MEMORIAM**

**JOHN M. LYNCH**

**(1860 – 1930)**

**DISTRICT COURT  
SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT**

**RAMSEY COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION**

**April 4, 1931**

Memorial to John W. Lynch presented  
before the District Court of  
Ramsey County, Minnesota, on  
Saturday, April 4th, 1931.

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**MAY IT PLEASE THE COURT: -**

On behalf of the Bar of Ramsey County, the following memorial to John W. Lynch is respectfully presented:

He was born February, 4th, 1860 at Janesville, Rock County, Wisconsin. About one year after his birth his father, John C. Lynch, was commissioned captain of one of the companies of the Third Wisconsin Calvary and served in that capacity until the close of the Civil War when he returned to his family at Janesville and shortly thereafter moved to Leavenworth, Kansas. John M. Lynch, then a boy of about six years of age, attended the primary schools and later graduated from the high school of that city.

At the age of nineteen, he left Leavenworth and went to Sacramento, California, where he entered the employ of an insurance company. The cold damp weather of the Sacramento valley had an ill effect upon his health and at the end of one year's time spent in Sacramento he came to St. Paul where he immediately entered the real estate business and continued therein until he was admitted to the bar.

During the years of 1896, 1897 and 1898, in connection with his business, he read law in the office of James O. Michael, now one of the Judges of the District Court of Ramsey County, Minnesota, and on February 2nd, 1899 was admitted to the bar and immediately entered into the practice of his

profession and was actively engaged in the same until his death.

On the 25th day of April, 1906 he married Elizabeth Geary of St. Paul, Minnesota. No children were born to them.

During all his years in St. Paul he took an active part in every movement that tended to the betterment of the general public, and also contributed generously of his time and talents toward the up-lift of his fellowmen.

As a lawyer he was deeply and sincerely interested in the matters confided to his care; he was painstaking, careful, conscientious and an able adviser. He recognized the ethics of his profession and was guided by them in his relations toward his clients and his associates. While his practice was generally confined to probate and real estate law, he enjoyed a general practice as well.

He loved the State of Minnesota, her institutions and people. He was a companionable man, always agreeable, sympathetic when sympathy was deserved and a true friend and gentleman.

He passed from this life on the 31st day of October, 1930.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Thomas Johnson McDermott

/s/ R. G. O'Malley

/s/ A. E. Boyesen

/s/ T. J. Doyle, Chairman.

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