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ARTHUR L. JONES

(November 29, 1870 - July 26, 1937)

Given before the Bench and Bar of Hennepin County in the Court House at Minneapolis, Minnesota on the 6th day of February, 1938.

Arthur L. Jones

Arthur L. Jones was born in Dodgeville, Wisconsin on November 29, 1870, and died at Robbinsdale, Minnesota on the 26th day of July, 1937 at the age of 66. After his boyhood he left his home to attend the University of Wisconsin, where he graduated from the law school in 1894. After practicing law for four years in Wisconsin he came to Minneapolis in 1898 where he became a member of the legal fraternity, and remained here until the time of his death.

Arthur L Jones practiced law continually except for a few years spent in public office. From 1902 to 1907 he was Chief Deputy and Attorney in the Sheriff's office under the sheriff at that time, J. W. Dreger. He again served in public office in 1932 when he was appointed Court Commissioner to fill the unexpired term of the late Henry N. Knott. In January, 1935, he again entered private practice in association with Arthur C. Strauman with offices in the Hodgson Building, and remained there in active practice until a few weeks prior to his last illness and death.

Arthur L. Jones was active in fraternal, civic, and political affairs. He was a member of Compass Lodge No. 256 AF and AM, and Robbinsdale Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star No. 238. He was an outstanding member of the Independent Order of Foresters, serving as State Supervisor for that organization, and at the time of his death was a member of the Supreme Executive Council of the Order. As Arthur L. Jones served in the Spanish-American War as a commissioned officer, serving in the 15th Minnesota Division, Company I, he was active in the affairs of the veterans of the Spanish-American War. He was a member of the Sons of Civil War Veterans as well. Arthur L. Jones was active in political affairs in the City and State, being a life long Republican, and served as secretary-treasurer of the Hennepin County Republican Committee for the last twenty years.

Arthur L. Jones was exceedingly patriotic, and not in any jingoistic or superficial manner, but with a genuine love and respect for his country, its history, and especially its institutions. For many years he belonged to the Memorial Day Committee, and took an active part in the preparations for the celebration of that day, giving much time to making patriotic addresses in schools and before civic groups, and usually spoke at the services on Memorial Day at one of the cemeteries of this city.

Arthur L. Jones as a practicing attorney was well liked and respected by all other members of Hennepin County Bar, both young and old. He was a member of the Hennepin County Bar Association at the time of his death, and served on numerous committees of that organization.

Arthur L. Jones was a kindly soul, a friendly spirit, always cheerful and pleasant in his dealings and contacts with others. He held no bitterness or ill will towards any man at any time. Arthur L. Jones was a credit to the legal profession, a good father to his family, and a loyal citizen to his country. The death of Arthur L. Jones took away a Character and a personality that his friends and associates will always remember, and always miss.

Dated February 5, 1938

Respectfully submitted, Arthur C. Strauman

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MLHP: Arthur Lincoln Jones was admitted to the Minnesota bar on February 14, 1898. 1 *Roll of Attorneys: Supreme Court, State of Minnesota, 1858-1970* 44 (State Law Library, 2011).

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