

Memorial

WILLIAM MARX

(December 8, 1879 - July 14, 1942)

District court
Third Judicial District
Winona County

Winona County Bar Association

September 21, 1942

William Marx

(1879 - 1942)

To the District Court of the County of Winona,
Third Judicial District, Minnesota:

As a committee appointed by the Winona County Bar Association to prepare a memorial in behalf of the late William Marx, a member of the bar of the court, we respectfully present the following:

As it must to all men, death came to William Marx on July fourteenth of this year as he was being conveyed from a hospital in La Crosse, Wisconsin, to his home in the village of Homer, in this county. He was denied the allotted span of life as he was but sixty-two years of age.

William, Marx was born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, on December 8th, 1879, the son of Robert and Frances Marx. He was graduated from a high school in that city and began the study of law and in 1900 was graduated from the Law School of the University of Wisconsin, being admitted to practice in that state and commenced the practice of law in connection with a law firm, his work being chiefly the trial of cases. After a few years there, he moved to Duluth, Minnesota, being admitted to practice in this state.¹ In 1911 he again moved and on this occasion located in Oregon, practicing, first, at Portland and than at Klamath Falls. In 1933 he returned to Minnesota, practicing for a year at Wells and locating at Lansboro. Here he experienced a severe illness so

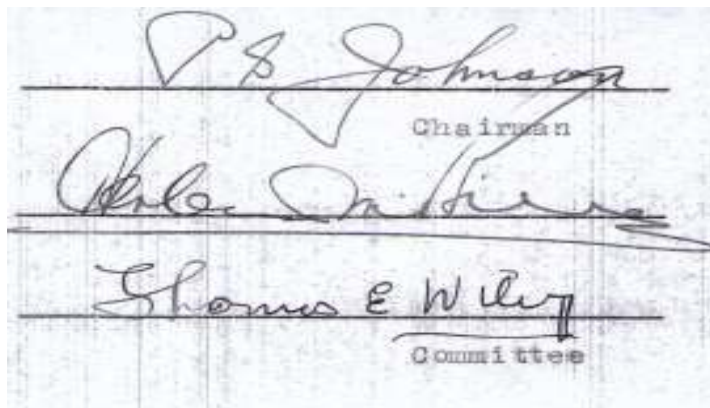
¹ He was admitted to the Minnesota bar on June 6, 1907. See 1 *Roll of Attorneys: Supreme Court, State of Minnesota, 1858-1970* 90 (State Law Library, 2011).

that he lost much time from his office. In 1934 he opened a law office in LaCrosse but three years later, in 1937, he moved to Winona where he had continued to practice until his death. His health began to fail in the fall of 1941 and after examination at the Mayo Clinic and treatment at LaCrosse he succumbed to a cancerous growth in his stomach, the cause of his demise. He is survived by his widow and one child, William, Jr.

In the practice of law, Mr. Marx was courteous to his associate lawyers and energetic in his representation of clients and particularly so in the trial of causes. In many ways he was resourceful and a reasonably good student of the law. Apparently he was of a roving disposition and because of his several locations he did not give himself a fair opportunity to become well established in the practice. During the limited time he spent in practice locally he was not as well known to his fellow lawyers and to the community as one who had been longer in service would expect but in this respect, of course, his career was shortened by his death.

We as lawyers of this community mourn his passing and extend to his widow and son our sympathy.

Dated at Winona, Minnesota, September 21st, 1942.



V. S. Johnson
Chairman

Thomas E. Wiley
Committee

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