

RAMSEY COUNTY  BAR ASSOCIATION

Memorials

Friday, April 28, 2006
Jerome Hill Theater
180 East Fifth
180 East Fifth Street, St. Paul, Minnesota

Two o'clock

*"We are more than what we do...
much more than what we accomplish...
far more than what we possess."*

- William Arthur Ward

IN MEMORY OF

Jerry Dygert

Hon. Archie Gingold

Hon. Andrew Glenn

Hon. Ronald Hachey

Frederick Putzier

Richard Rohleder

Robert Schlesinger

Donna Strusinski

Jerrold Sullivan

Sherman Winthrop

Hon. Donald Wozniak

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The traditional greeting by the Chief Judge, the names of other judges present, the recognition of the President of the Ramsey County Bar Association and the introduction of the Chair of the Memorial Committee were omitted from the pamphlet of the memorial proceedings for 2006.

These memorials are easier to read if the type is enlarged.

Jerry Dygert

August 21, 1940 – June 30, 2005

Jerry Dygert was born in Minneapolis on August 21, 1940, and died in Minneapolis on June 30, 2005. He was educated at the University of Minnesota, where he received a Bachelor of Arts Degree, *magna cum laude* in 1961, and a Bachelor of Law Degree, *magna cum laude* from the University of Minnesota Law School in 1964. While in law school, Jerry served on the Editorial Board of the Minnesota Law Review and was awarded membership in the Order of the Coif. Jerry's law career began on Wall Street, but he later returned to Minneapolis to join his father in the private practice of law, where he practiced in the field of probate and trust law. Jerry was a Fellow in the American College of Trusts and Estate Counsel and was awarded the Eugene P. Daly, Jr. Award by the MSBA Probate & Trust Law Section for recognition of outstanding contributions to the practice of probate and trust law in the State of Minnesota in 1990.

If one were to describe Jerry in words or phrases, they would certainly include the following: intelligent, analytical, thorough, meticulous, precise, unselfish, not looking for personal credit, tireless energy in the pursuit of excellence and admired by his colleagues. Jerry had a deep interest in institutions and their history. He had a keen appreciation for language. He was a wordsmith. Jerry was approachable, personable and very reliable. He exhibited a gentle, but firm, style of leadership. These qualities could be easily observed by those Jerry encountered in his professional life, as well as by those in his life away from the profession.

We were fortunate to have shared many years with Jerry while working on the MSBA Probate and Trust Law Section Legislation Committee, where Jerry provided his skills and his energy for the benefit of others. Jerry served as Co-Chair of the Legislation Committee for in excess of 10 years and he continued as an active committee member after his leadership role was passed on to others. He played a major role in initiating and shaping legislation proposed by the Probate and Trust Law Section as well as in responding to legislative proposals from other sources. During legislative sessions Jerry was always able and willing to respond to requests for testimony at committee hearings, frequently on very short notice, and he always made a commendable presentation. He was equally at ease and effective whether dealing with legislators, well known law school professors who often authored probate and trust related legislation or his colleagues. Minnesota statutory law in the probate and trust area has undergone significant changes over the last 25 years and it is not an exaggeration to say that no individual has had a greater role in shaping these changes than Jerry Dygert. Jerry also served as Chair of the Section and was a frequent lecturer at CLE's. His contributions were enormous and, perhaps, even well beyond what he may have understood. No one made a greater contribution in this arena. His impact will be lasting and we will miss him.

Respectfully submitted by Christopher B. Hunt and Gene C. Olson

The Honorable Archie L. Gingold

August 8, 1908 – March 23, 2006

On March 23, 2006 the life of devoted husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather, brother, lawyer and exceptional jurist came to an end after 97 years.

Judge Gingold was educated at Mechanic Arts High School, Macalester College, and the original St. Thomas Law School (the last surviving alumnus of that institution.) he was admitted to the Bar in 1933; served in the U.S. Army during WWII; was appointed to the St. Paul Municipal Court Bench in 1954 by Governor C. Elmer Anderson, as Republican; and, in 1960, was named to the Ramsey County Court Bench by Governor Orville Freeman, a Democrat. During the eighteen years he served as the Juvenile Court Judge he presided over more than 10,000 adoptions, helped establish at least 45 group homes and was instrumental in creating the Juvenile Service Center. The Judge will be remembered for his efforts in starting and supporting alcohol treatment programs, reforming Work House practices and initiating the team approach to counter child abuse.

The Judge did not confine his service to the courtroom. He was very involved with the St. Paul United Way and its Speakers and Lawyers Committees, was past president of the Hallie Q. Brown Settlement House, was a board member of the St. Paul-Ramsey Mental Health Board and was a board member of the Boys and Girls Clubs of St. Paul.

Judge Gingold retired from the Bench in 1978 but continued to serve as a retired Judge for nine more years without compensations.

Awards the Judge received include the Ramsey County Bar Association Distinguished Humanitarian Service Award in 1987 and an honorary doctorate from the newly founded University of St. Thomas Law School. He also has been honored by Brandeis University, Minnesota Newspaper Association, St. Paul Clergy Association, Mt. Zion Temple, Goodwill Industries, St. Paul Intergroup Council of Alcoholics Anonymous and Jewish War Veterans of the United States.

The Judge's wife Helen Mae preceded him in death. He is survived by daughters Sandra Iverson, Carla Feldhamer and Mimi Gingold; grandchildren Kristen Poppleton, Jeffrey, Rebecca, Andrew, Carrie, Benjamin, Adam and Jessica; great-granddaughter Rachel Helen; and brother Bernard.

Respectfully submitted by Raymond W. Faricy, Jr. and Joseph A. Rheinberger

The Honorable Andrew Glenn

June 21, 1913 – April 2, 2005

Andrew Glenn lived a long and varied life as an athlete, a soldier, a politician, a lawyer, a judge, a sportsman, a gourmet cook, a husband and a father. By the time of his death at the age of 91 he had earned his place as a member of our greatest generation.

Andy was a native of the East Side of Saint Paul and attended Johnson High School. He was a star football player and was named an all-city halfback in 1931. He attended Saint Thomas College and the University of Minnesota before obtaining his law degree from Saint Paul College of Law (now William Mitchell) in 1939. He served in World War II as a Navy lieutenant commander, acting as chief communications officer for ships in both the Atlantic and Pacific theaters. Following the war he returned to Saint Paul and took up the practice of law. He ran unsuccessfully for Saint Paul mayor in 1946 as a Republican. He was active in local Republican party politics until being appointed to the bench

He was named as a municipal judge in 1949 and became probate judge in 1954. He served in that position until his retirement in 1983. There is perhaps no other public servant in Ramsey County during the last 50 years who was so closely identified with one office for such a long period of time as Andrew Glenn was with the office of probate judge. He loved the job and served until the mandatory retirement age of 70. He was not happy to leave, and his wife, Henrietta, remarked that he "had to be hauled out of there kicking and screaming."

Judge Glenn was known for his sense of humor and gentlemanly manner, qualities which he used to encourage litigants to resolve their disputes without trials. Because he was adept at gaining agreements and disposing of cases quickly, you won't find many appellate court decisions stemming from his tenure in the court. This is in spite of the fact that he handled many large and complex estates during his career, including those of Maude McKnight and Archibald Bush.

He knew how to delegate authority and used his staff effectively, including, most notably, George Anderson and John McKenzie. He implemented many innovations in his court, including the introduction of the informal probate process after it was adopted by the legislature in 1976. He often boasted that he presided over the most efficient probate court in the state.

Outside of the courthouse, the man who was affectionately known by friends and family members as Buster pursued many varied interests. He salvaged an old excursion boat which formerly operated on Lake Phalen, reconditioned it, and kept it for years on the Saint Croix River. He collected windfall apples at the Carpenter Nature Center in Hastings every fall for his annual apple squeezing party in October. He produced "Andy's Valley Vineyard Apple Wine," which he generously shared with friends and family. "Be careful," he would say, "I've been told that this

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batch is rather full-bodied." Those who shared the vintage agreed that it always carried quite a bite.

Throughout his life, Andy was a dedicated outdoorsman, a superb fly fisherman, and an enthusiastic duck hunter. His pride and joy was ten acres that he inherited in Afton Township. He improved the property's creek and ponds to enhance the trout fishing. He established his own trout hatchery and released his fingerling trout into the creek for 45 years. He loved to host large fishing parties at the place on weekends, where he used his skills as a trained chef to make all the food for the guests.

Although politically Andy was a Republican, his son, Andrew, Jr., observed that he was a true democrat when it came to people. He loved and related to people from all walks of life, from the big shot to the working man. Among several volunteer activities, he served on the board of directors of the Carpenter Nature Center and was its co-chairman during his retirement years.

In addition to fishing and hunting, Andy was a life-long skier. He even bought a house in Georgetown, Colorado, in the 1950s and made annual ski trips there with his family. In an odd twist of fate, he later learned that the same house had been owned years earlier by a great uncle of his who had gone to pursue his fortune in the gold rush and had never been heard from again.

Andy met his wife, Henrietta, while skiing in Bayport, Minnesota, in 1941. They married in 1943, and had four children, including a son who died of polio in 1951, and another son, John, who passed away as an adult. He is survived by his wife and two children, Leta Moen of Kotzebue, Alaska and Andrew, Jr., of Stillwater.

Andrew Glenn will always be remembered as a warm and generous man and an excellent judge who never let his professional career interfere with the most important parts of his life.

Respectfully submitted by John McKenzie and Mike Black

The Honorable Ronald Hachey

1909 – November 4, 2005

He is an icon. At the time of his retirement from the bench in 1979, he was described as a man with ". . . the easy, but rolling and gangling gait of Abraham Lincoln, the keen look of Basil Rathbone playing Sherlock Holmes, the whimsy of Ogden Nash, and the heart of St. Thomas Aquinas."

He was an Iron Ranger. He knew and lived hard work and humility. His humor was legend, his contributions to the law and legal education indelible, his service to the community enduring. He was a member of the Greatest Generation.

Ronald Hachey was born in 1909, raised in Marble, Minnesota, worked in the iron mines, and struggled to advance his education. He was a product of the Great Depression, but always described his life in those times as an adventure. To finance his higher education, he played tenor sax in the band he organized -- the Iron Rangers.

He married Alverna in 1935, establishing a partnership that spanned 60 years. It was a joint decision that he would enroll in the St. Paul College of Law in 1939. And thus began his passion for William Mitchell and its mission.

He sold Pearson candy by day and attended law school at night. He was one of 11 graduates in 1943. Pursuant to special rule of the Minnesota Supreme Court applicable to men entering the service, he was admitted to practice without taking the bar exam. He served with the 42nd Rainbow division. When he was discharged in 1945, he entered private law practice with Archie Gingold, then joined the U.S. Attorney's office in 1951. After the national administration changed in 1953, he practiced law with Phil Neville, who had been U.S Attorney.

He served on the Ramsey court from 1955 to 1979. He loved the law. While on the bench he ruled on all manner of criminal and civil cases. He also sat several times by special appointment on the Minnesota Court of Appeals and on the Minnesota Supreme Court, and handled special matters on the Ramsey bench after his retirement. Lawyers deemed it a delight to try a case before him, and judges deemed it a privilege to be a colleague on the bench with him. All who entered his courtroom knew they would be treated with respect and fairness.

In 1970 he was elected to the board of trustees of his law school alma mater and became its president in 1974. Those were especially difficult times, enrollment was skyrocketing and the college was running out of classroom space. Ron Hachey was the leader among trustees in 1975 in the purchase and development of the present campus on Summit avenue. He continued to serve as an adjunct professor for 24 years.

Upon his retirement from the bench, he became the first William Mitchell alumni

Frederick J. Putzier, Jr.

October 3, 1931 – January 2005

Frederick J. Putzier, Jr. (but always known as “Mike” since before he was born) was born on October 3, 1931, the son of Frederick and Dorothy Putzier. Mike grew up in Ellsworth, Wisconsin, and at age 13 he became a “border” at St. Thomas Military Academy. Mike graduated from St. Thomas in 1949, after having excelled not only in academics, but also sports, particularly football. In the fall of 1949, Mike enrolled at the University of Wisconsin, Madison, majoring in Labor Relations. Mike also was Senior Vice President of the class of 1953.

After serving in the United States Army for two years, Mike was accepted into Georgetown Law Center in Washington, D.C. Following receipt of his law degree in 1958, Mike returned to Minnesota to clerk for the Honorable Dennis F. Donovan of the United State District Court for the District of Minnesota.

In 1960, Mike joined the law firm of Faricy, Moore and Costello (now known as Moore, Costello & Hart), and became a partner in Moore, Costello & Hart in 1967. Mike primarily focused on corporate and business law. During the 1960's a cornerstone of Mike's practice was representing venture capitalists in accordance with new “Small Business Investment Capital” guidelines promulgated by Congress. By the mid-1970's, Mike was one of the leaders among Minnesota Health Lawyers.

During his years at Moore, Costello & Hart, Mike would often invite much younger lawyers to the St. Paul Athletic Club to learn the finer points of handball and racquetball. Actually, these were opportunities for Mike to reassert that he was the “boss” and to punish any legal “miscues” by junior lawyers.

In 1982, Mike joined Health Resources, Inc., a St. Paul based health care system (which included St. John's Lutheran Hospital) as Vice President and General Counsel. In 1986, Health Resources, Inc., joined with Bethesda Lutheran Hospital, Baptist Hospital Fund and St. Joseph's Hospital to form the HealthEast Care System, and Mike became Vice President and General Counsel of the System. It was through Mike's legal guidance and leadership during the formative years of HealthEast that helped enable HealthEast to become the premier health care delivery system in the East Metro area.

Mike returned from HealthEast in 1994, and returned to his legal roots at Moore, Costello & Hart, until he fully retired from the practice of law at the end of 1995.

In 1954, Mike and the love of his life were married. Together they raised six children: Jane, Paul, Molly, Mary, Mark and John. Making a contribution to society and his community were important to Mike and Betsy. Mike served as a board member of United Cerebral Palsy of St. Paul (now know as Midwest Special Services) for more than 30 years. He also served as President of the Linwood

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Elementary School PTA and as President of St. Luke's Elementary School PTA. Together they helped organize a Women's Homeless Shelter sponsored by St. Luke's Catholic Church.

Mike and Betsy loved being at the lake, but mostly they loved to travel, which intensified following Mike's final retirement. Often times the travel involved long distances throughout Europe and the Middle East.

Frederick J. Putzier, Jr., represented the best that the legal profession has to offer. He was a trusted advisor, an excellent mentor, a contribution to society, and most importantly, a loving and devoted spouse and father.

Respectfully submitted by J. Patrick Plunkett

Richard Rohleder

June 20, 1926 – March 10, 2006

Richard A. Rohleder passed away on March 10, 2006, at the age of 79. He is survived by his wife, Patricia; daughter, Julie Pierce; son, Thomas Rohleder; six grandchildren; and two step-children, Thomas Thissen and Mary Thompson. As Judge James Dickinson, a former partner of Dick's, said to me the other day: It's the end of an era — the last of the founding members of the St. Paul law firm of Stringer, Donnelly and Sharood." He practiced with that firm, now known as Stringer and Rohleder, until he retired.

We will always have "Rohlederism's" to remember him by — clever names and sayings for people and things. He was the one who first called Phyllis Rice, our long-time bookkeeper, "Wild Rice." Ken Green, a good friend and fellow lawyer was, "Ken Green, my friend, former neighbor and sometimes spiritual adviser." Dick was "Commander" because of his long Naval Reserve service. "It kicks as hard as it shoots" came from Dick and applied to a lot of actions and interactions both in and out of the practice of law. "Anything worth doing is worth doing to excess." His wife, Patricia, said that was one of his favorites.

Dick graduated from St. Paul Central High School and attended the University of Minnesota where he received three degrees: Bachelor of Science, *magna cum laude*; Bachelor of Arts, Business Administration; and Bachelor of Law. He was a member of Phi Beta Kappa and president of his college fraternity, Sigma Alpha Epsilon. He served on active duty in Naval Officer training during World War II, and was recalled to active duty during the Korean War in 1951. On return to civilian life, he continued in the Naval Reserve, retiring with the rank of Commander.

Dick was a person of many interests and talents. He had a lifelong interest in music and served on the Board of the Twin Cities Jazz Society. He was a member of the St. Paul Kiwanis Club for over 45 years and served on its Board. He was also a board member of the Children's Home Society and St. Paul Goodwill Industries. Dick was a founding member of the Twin Cities Marathon and when in his fifties ran 13 marathons. He was an accomplished potter, serving on the Board of the Minnesota Craft Council and had his work juried into and exhibited at the Minnesota State Fair, the Tweed Museum in Duluth and Macalester College. He said, "It was a hobby that got out of hand."

He was a recovering member of Alcoholics Anonymous for over 41 years, and an active member of Lawyers Concerned for Lawyers. He was also active in the Ramsey County Bar Association and served as Chairman of the Memorial Committee for many years.

When Dick began doing summary jury trials at the courthouse, he quickly became a favorite of the assignment office. He did a great job and more often than not got the case settled. He borrowed a robe from me, and later from Judge Dickinson, and

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played the role to the hilt. I think he secretly liked the title "Judge Rohleder" and probably never tired of hearing it repeated. In fact, while we are on that subject, how can any of us who knew Dick forget the famous Rohleder laugh that would echo through the office, meeting room or wherever. There was never a doubt about who that laugh belonged to.

Dick was a mentor to a number of us would-be trial lawyers in the firm over the years. His advice was delivered in typical Rohleder fashion, direct and to the point and it could sometimes be hard on a fragile ego, but it was always right on and extraordinarily helpful. No matter what the issue, he was quick, insightful and always got right to the heart of the matter. He could read and analyze a file quicker than anyone. In spite of the pressure of preparing for a difficult trial, he maintained his sense of humor. Time slips would appear in the file and under the category of "activity," he simply wrote, "worrying."

John O'Brien, a long-time St. Paul trial attorney, wrote to Pat saying, "Sometimes we were on the same side and sometimes opposed to one another. But regardless, Dick was good company in the courtroom — always a worthy advocate. He would be an adversary but never the enemy. He was a scrapper and a tough fighter for his client. He always played by the rules, always honest and always fair. But most of all he was a man of grace, charm, wit and humor. He was certainly one of the 'good guys.'"

We are proud to have known Dick as a mentor, partner, and in my case as an AA sponsor, but most of all as a friend. He will be missed deeply.

Respectfully submitted by Hon. Charles A. Flinn, Jr., Chairman, Hon. Edward C. Stringer, Hon. A. James Dickinson, Harry T. Neimeyer, and Owen L. Sorenson

Robert Schlesinger

February 16, 1946 – June 29, 2005

Bob Schlesinger practiced law for 33 years until illness forced him to retire. Most of his practice was as a family law practitioner in the Twin Cities. He was recognized as a tough litigator and a skillful negotiator and mediator. But Bob distinguished himself long before he came to the Twin Cities.

Bob's legal career began in a small town, Cairo IL, where he was a civil rights attorney in the 1960s. He was part of a small group of attorneys in a town that was driven apart by intense racism. The attorneys were hated by the white supremacists in the community and not trusted by the African Americans. But Bob persevered, through the mistrust, the hatred, and even the threats against his life. He helped individuals fight for their civil liberties, and he helped prisoners fight against inhumane conditions. In fact, he helped close three uninhabitable jails. Bob helped make changes to that community one case at a time, all the while setting an example of how people in a community should treat one another.

Bob eventually came to the Twin Cities and settled into his St. Paul family law practice. As a matrimonial lawyer, Bob was a professional in the truest sense of the word. He was always polite and gracious, whether on the phone, in a mediation session, or in the courtroom. Bob set a high standard for how attorneys in our community should treat one another. And he kept his work in perspective, always treasuring his family and never losing his great sense of humor.

Bob was recognized by his colleagues as a leader in family law: He was elected president of the Minnesota Chapter of the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers in 1993-94; he was elected chair of the Ramsey County Bar Association, Family Law Section, in 1986; and just before he died, he received the "Professionalism and Civility Award" from the Hennepin County Bar Association, Family Law Section, for "exemplifying the highest standards of professional endeavor and achievement" and for his "civility towards his colleagues."

Bob was also a leader in the community at large. He volunteered for the Volunteer Lawyers Network, Chrysalis, and Working Opportunities for Women, and he was committed to social justice in all aspects of his personal life. He helped found Shir Tikvah, a synagogue dedicated to social action and diversity, and he served on several Boards of Directors. He was an avid reader, an opera lover, and a brilliant conversationalist, with a fantastic sense of humor and an infectious laugh.

Bob was diagnosed with ALS in January, 2003 and he approached that illness with dignity and courage. He never felt sorry for himself or angry about the disease. In fact, even as his body betrayed him, Bob always showed more concern for those around him than he did for himself.

As a friend, Bob was always available when a good listener was needed. And he

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was a wonderful "Pop" to his three children.

Bob is survived by his wife, Lisa, and their children, David, Suzanna and Jacob, in addition to his many friends and colleagues who miss him dearly.

Respectfully Submitted by Jane Binder, Martin L. Swaden and Stuart Schmitz

Donna Strusinski

January 31, 1945 – October 19, 2005

Donna L. Strusinski was born to Louis and Anabel Sapp in Buffalo Center, Iowa. She is survived by siblings, Betty Dailey and Larry Sapp. Donna is also survived by her husband Bill, son Billy, daughter, Doni Jo McBeath and grandsons, Creswell, Tyler and Drew.

Donna, who had a high school GED, when she started college, graduated *summa cum laude* from Mankato in 1972 with bachelor degrees in English and Speech. Donna met her husband, Bill, while they were both students at Mankato State College, and they were married by then Federal Court Judge Miles Lord on February 10, 1973. Following graduation, she taught English at Apple Valley Middle School, where she was a demanding but popular teacher who thoroughly enjoyed her students. In 1977 she decided it was time for her to pursue her other dream. Donna enrolled at William Mitchell College of Law where she was the first recipient of the Chief Justice Warren Burger Scholarship Award, which was presented by the Chief Justice himself. Donna attended classes at night and clerked full-time, while she and Bill raised their two children Doni Jo and Bill, Jr. Donna graduated *cum laude* from William Mitchell in 1981, and she accepted an associate position with the law firm of Bell, Arcand and Florin, where she had clerked during law school. Donna left that firm in 1985 to follow her heart, which for Donna meant being her own boss. She formed Strusinski and Associates where she created her niche representing clients in the petroleum marketer's industry. Donna was a creative and zealous advocate, and as many of her clients will tell you to this day, she solved their problems in ways unimagined by other lawyers.

In 2003, Donna was joined by her long-time friend, Kirsten Libby, and the firm soon became Strusinski, Libby and Associates, to reflect the near Burns & Allen humor and synchronicity with which they practiced law together. All along, they continued to serve an ever-growing group of loyal clients, many of them second generation. As Donna would later say, when she realized that cancer was going to end her life long before its time, the years she spent practicing law with Kirsten were the happiest years of her professional life.

Besides caring deeply for her family and friends, and providing excellent representation to her clients, Donna always sought to help others and gave generously of her time and talents to many organizations and causes. She served on NEAR, the North End Area Revitalization Board, including a stint as its president. From 1990 to 2004, she was on the board of directors of Sparc, a community development agency, and she was a long-time member and past president of the North End Business Association. In 1999 she was appointed by then Mayor Norm Coleman to St. Paul's Sales Tax Revitalization (STAR) Board, and was reappointed by Mayor Randy Kelly. She served 6 years on the board of directors of ReEntry Services, Inc., a nonprofit organization providing halfway houses and home monitoring for wards of the courts. Donna's expertise, energy and selfless dedication improved

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the lives of many, many people.

Besides her devotion to her family and the practice of law, Donna was a passionate and masterful gardener who was never happier than when she had her hands in the soil getting a little of what she described as "mud pie therapy". Donna was the perfect hostess and a gourmet cook who always took great pleasure in making others feel welcome. She was a strong woman who instilled confidence and trust in her clients and represented them with honor and integrity. Yet Donna had a sense of humor that put everyone at ease, and still brings a smile to our faces. Donna totally immersed herself in whatever endeavor was at hand, whether it was a business deal, a client's plight, a dinner party, or showing the grandkids a wonderful time on vacation. Donna was a strong and spiritual woman who taught us all many lessons in the most effective way, by her example, and she will be deeply missed, but fondly remembered, by all of us who had the good fortune to have had Donna as a part our lives.

Respectfully submitted by Patrick E. Florin and Kirsten Libby

Jerrold J. Sullivan

September 20, 1927 – October 23, 2005

Jerry Sullivan was born September 20, 1927, in Park Rapids, Minnesota. His father, Edward B. Sullivan and mother, Ruth Jepson Sullivan, and his brother, Frank Sullivan, preceded him in death.

He is survived by his wife Nancy Sullivan and daughters Melanie and Melissa Sullivan of Fort Myers, FL. He is also survived by children Michelle O'Brien, Pamela Powell (Jim), Patti Sullivan (Kent), David Sullivan (Sarah), Jerrold Jayme Sullivan (Dawn), Steven Sullivan (Kevin), Lisa Sullivan, and ten grandchildren and two great grandchildren. His brother John Sullivan and wife (Millie) also survive him.

Jerry grew up in Brainerd, Minnesota. He was the youngest of three boys. He was quarterback for his Brainerd high school football team, a Golden Gloves Featherweight Champ, and Class president his senior year.

After high school, he attended the University of Minnesota, and the St. Paul College of law where he graduated in 1956, first in his class. From 1952 to 1957, he worked with William A. Keyworth, Walker Groetzinger and James J. Mock in the St. Paul Companies Bond Claim Department. From 1957 to 1961 he succeeded William A. Keyworth as the Bond Claim Manager for Anchor Casualty Co. in St. Paul Minnesota. In 1961, he went into private practice with one of his law school professors, Wm. Leslie Ulvin.

Jerry kept a treasured plaque in his office for many years. It was given to him by a client and a friend. On the plaque, this quote is engraved, "What is a friend? ...He is a person with whom you dare to be yourself, you do not have to be on your guard, you can say what you think, express what you feel. With him you can breathe freely. You can take off your coat and loosen your collar. You can avow your little vanities and absurdities openly, and they are dissolved in the white ocean of his loyalty. He understands."

Jerry practiced law for about forty-five years. I was fortunate to have had the opportunity to practice law with him for twelve years. He was a good mentor and friend. With me, as with clients, he did not sugar coat his opinion. We worked together on many cases. Jerry developed specialties in surety law, probate and real property. He could make examining an abstract of title seem interesting, an art lost with rise of title companies. His office usually looked like it had been vandalized; yet he knew where everything was and could find anything in a matter of minutes. Despite his housekeeping habits, his work product was always perfect, reflecting his attention to detail and his love of his job. He was an articulate writer, always emphasizing the need to tell a story, whether you were writing a demand letter or a brief. When I first started working with him, he said he was not hiring me that I would "eat" what I killed. I had been working at a small firm where mentoring was not a priority. After I started working with Jerry, I told him that although I was

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not making any money, at least I was happy. I did have a lot of fun working with him. I have a lot of happy and funny memories. Jerry was known for his white beard. I recall one time when we were downtown on the skyway during the holiday season, when a small child whispered, there's "Ho, Ho". I repeated this to my dad, who didn't believe it. After that the small child repeated it again, seemingly so that Jerry could hear it. Or, I remember the time when my dad and I were going to meet a client, and we decided to take separate vehicles. I was following him going north on Dale, when he had to stop suddenly. He fishtailed out, and I hit his vehicle right behind the driver's door. After that, he never said follow me any more. Or the time, when I had my newborn twins in the office, since private practice doesn't lend itself to a long maternity leave of absence, and Jerry joined in to bottle feed one of the twins, while I took a phone call. I always told him that if he was going to die, he had to give me two weeks notice. Unfortunately, in July of 2001 he had a stroke, and was forced to stop practicing law. For someone who truly loved to work, it was a forced retirement. Despite his love for work, he adjusted to retirement and he was able to enjoy his remaining years in Florida.

He was an active member in the Midway Lion's Club and an enthusiastic volunteer at many of the Lion's Club's pancake breakfasts! Jerry was a charming Irishman. He loved to "dress sharp" in a snappy suit and he was a passionate bargain hunter. Among his favorite indulgences, he best loved his chocolate soda from the St. Paul Corner Drug Soda Fountain.

Jerry was a true friend to many people, and a Dad who is loved and will be greatly missed.

Respectfully submitted by Patti J. Sullivan

Sherman Winthrop

February 3, 1930 – June 6, 2005

Sherman Winthrop was born to be a lawyer. He had outstanding judgment coupled with a strong sense of professionalism and unimpeachable good character and ethics. He was a trusted counselor to his clients, a revered and trusted colleague to his partners, and a leader in the Bar and in his community.

Sherman was born and raised in Duluth, Minnesota. He earned his undergraduate degree in business administration from the University of Minnesota, and his law degree from Harvard Law School. After clerking for Chief Justice Roger L. Dell of the Minnesota Supreme Court, Sherman joined Oppenheimer, Wolff & Donnelly.

Sherman was one of the last of the great generalists. He was a marvelous estate planner, a superior corporate practitioner, and had well developed expertise in real estate, securities, and other areas of the law. Sherman learned his trade quite well at the knee of the legendary Benno Wolff.

Sherman was a brilliant lawyer and an outstanding counselor. He steered businessmen in the right direction, and he kept families together. He always did so in a caring and professional sort of way. He understood the law and he understood people. He had a quiet but compelling charisma about him.

Sherman was a founding member of the law firm of Winthrop & Weinstine, P.A., which he and his partners began in 1979. Sherman was revered and respected by his partners for his judgment and legal acumen, and for his ability to lead and mentor his younger colleagues. He believed in treating everyone in the firm as family. Sherman's legacy is reflected today in the firm's culture which cultivates mutual respect by and among every lawyer and staff member, and provides a stimulating work environment that is professional, informal, and friendly.

He was a leader in the business community for more than half a century. His dedication to his clients and the legal profession made him an inspiration to countless attorneys and business professionals. Not only did Sherman counsel some of the state's top companies, he also made numerous friends along the way. He was a leader but, unlike many leaders, Sherman was humble, led by example, and always tried to work through issues by consensus. If Sherman thought he was right on an issue, he would get his way but in a disarmingly nonconfrontative manner.

Sherman was always active in his profession. He served on the Minnesota Lawyers Professional Responsibility Board from 1976 to 1982. He also served in 1981 on the Executive Council of the Ramsey County Bar Association, and was chairman of the Executive Committee for the Business Law Section of the Minnesota State Bar Association in 1992. Sherman was honored as a 50 year senior counselor by the Minnesota State Bar Association in 2005.

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Sherman's community involvement included service as a board member of the St. Paul Rehabilitation Center, St. Paul Athletic Club, Mount Zion Temple, Shalom Home, and Friends of the St. Paul Public Library.

Sherman believed deeply in the importance of family. While he worked long, hard hours as a lawyer, Sherman was able to achieve the most difficult plateau for many professional people—a well balanced life. Sherman adored his wife, Barbara, and was devoted to his children, Susan, Bradley, and Douglas, and to all of his grandchildren.

Whenever we would go into Sherman's office and report on a file or a project, Sherman would always conclude these conversations by saying, "very good," "excellent," and "many thanks." To Sherman, from all of the attorneys and staff at Winthrop & Weinstine, P.A., we say with the deepest respect and gratitude for the time Sherman graced this earth—very good, excellent, and many thanks.

Respectfully submitted by Robert R. Weinstine

The Honorable Donald Wozniak

August 26, 1922 – August 31, 2005

Don Wozniak was born on August 26, 1922 in Silver Lake, Minnesota. He graduated from Central High School in Minneapolis and earned a bachelors degree from the College of St. Thomas, in St. Paul. In 1943 he joined the U.S. Navy, and served honorably as a fighter pilot. At the end of World War II, he returned home and earned his law degree from the University of Minnesota. By a fortunate coincidence, he met Angela Walsh, eldest daughter of St. Paul attorney, Harry Walsh. Don had placed a call to another young lady seeking a date, but somehow the telephone lines got crossed. He found himself speaking with one of the young Walsh sisters of Lincoln Avenue, who promptly arranged him a date with Angela. Don and Angie married in August of 1947, and raised four children in St. Paul's Highland Park neighborhood. In 1997, the age of email, friends and family celebrated D. D. and Angela Wozniak's lifelong partnership, at their fiftieth wedding anniversary and the story of cupid operating the phone lines was retold.

Judge Wozniak had a distinguished career in the legislative, executive and judicial branches of government, and in the private practice of law. He ran for the Minnesota House of Representatives in 1948 and was elected in 1950, where he served for 16 years. He was the liberal majority leader for many of those years. As Chairman of the Tax Committee he was a major force in tax reformation and introduced legislation in 1955 which eventually became the voucher system for Minnesota schools. He authored and passed many significant bills that made the quality of life better for Minnesotans among those, laws regarding billboards along our highways, and recognizing and helping the disadvantaged of our state. He retired in 1965 as he accepted an ambassadorship from President Lyndon Johnson. He fulfilled his tour of duty with the State Department by serving as an Ambassador Select to Equador. He left the diplomatic service in 1969.

While serving in Equador, he met a young Jesuit priest, Father John Halligan, who ran a working center for the numerous shoe shine boys and their families. The Judge took their cause to heart and eventually became the President of the Working Boys Foundation, which serves more than three million boys and their families in Equador. The Judge committed himself to the work of God as he was devoted to the Catholic Church and the cause of sanctity and dignity of life. He was one of the co-founders of Minnesota Citizens Concerned for Life (MCCL) and Catholics for Community Action (CCA) and Prolife Minnesota as well as many national committees. Wozniak and his wife devoted time and resources to safeguarding the sanctity of life and the recognition of life at conception. He also was the advisor and proponent on issues of legislation to support this belief. He took to heart and action Mother Teresa's words, "We have all the time in heaven to rest, now let's work." He instilled this same work ethic in his children, and other family members who recall working at the Christmas tree farm, the Minnesota State Fair and other events.

In 1983, he was appointed by Governor Rudy Perpich to the newly formed

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Minnesota Court of Appeals. He helped shape the Court, following its founding principles that litigants have the right to an appeal, and that it should be heard and decided quickly. Before this intermediate appellate court was created, most petitions for review were denied without explanation by the Minnesota Supreme Court. Judge Wozniak wanted people to know why their case ended the way it did, with a fair explanation; he took pride in giving people access to justice. In 1987 he became the Chief Judge of the Minnesota Court of Appeals and served until his retirement in 1992 at the age of 70. Judge Wozniak has been hailed by Attorney General Mike Hatch, Chief Justice Russell Anderson, fellow judges and legislators for the good counsel he gave, his strong legal mind, and his skills as a lawyer, policymaker, and leader. Then there are the many staff attorneys, law clerks, employees and associates who learned so much from him. When I began clerking in the Staff Attorney's office at the Court of Appeals, he said "We're going to test your mettle." He certainly did. The Court had a heavy caseload and a rigorous schedule to follow. Decisions had to be issued within 90 days of the appeal hearing. He brought us along with a firm hand on the shoulder, a whisper of encouragement in that low voice, or sometimes a figurative kick in the pants. He was right when he said a good lawyer can be, "tough but fair." All the while, he was likeable and great one for stories and jokes, so there was a real camaraderie on the Court.

After his retirement, he once again gave his talents to Catholic Charities Board, the Annual Appeal of the Archdiocese of Minneapolis and St. Paul and the newly formed parochial schools of the archdiocese and the Justice Committee. He dedicated himself and his talent once again to the protection of human life by assisting in many pro-life causes. He was instrumental in many legislative contests and served as a political advisor on many state and national campaigns. He is the recipient of over 100 awards for community service.

He was preceded in death by his parents, George and Anna Wozniak; his beloved wife, Angela Walsh Wozniak; and his granddaughter Angela Victoria. He is survived by his sister Delores Skweres; his children, Angela Wozniak, Victoria Morris (David), Daniel D. Wozniak, Jr., (Mary) and George Wozniak (Mary Ann); and 11 grandchildren.

Respectfully submitted by Christopher R. Walsh, J.D.

Andre Zdrazil

March 15, 1941 – May 7, 2005

Andre Zdrazil was born in Minneapolis and grew up in Hopkins. He graduated from Hopkins High School in 1959. He was a member of the National Honor Society and was president of the student council. As a member of the Hopkins debate team, he won the state championship in 1959.

He attended the University of Minnesota, graduated with honors in 1964 and was inducted into Phi Beta Kappa. He also served as vice president of the Minnesota Student Association. Along with Dave Krause, he was runner-up at the 1963 National Debate Tournament. He attended graduate school for one year at the University of Minnesota before starting at Harvard Law School. He graduated from Harvard in 1968. He was a winner of the Ames Competition at Harvard in 1968.

He started his law practice with Briggs and Morgan. In 1980, he left Briggs and Morgan to start a solo law practice. He continued with that practice as long as he was able. He also served on the board of State Fund Mutual. He was active in the Ramsey County Bar Association and did numerous law day presentations. He served as an arbitrator for the American Arbitration Association - No Fault Insurance.

He was active in the University of Minnesota Alumni Association, the University's College of Liberal Arts Alumni Society, where he served as director, the Minnesota High School Mock Trial Program, the National Mock Trial Tournament at Hamline Law School in St. Paul, where he served as a trial judge, the St. Paul Jaycees, Gethsemane Lutheran Church in Maplewood, and the Fourth District Republican Party.

He was a man not only of many accomplishments but he also loved to laugh, play clarinet at every opportunity, watch sports, and spend time with his family. Andre was generous, funny, enthusiastic to share his skills and knowledge, and loved a good debate about any topic. He always tried to follow the principles of excellence and service. He is survived and missed by his wife, Sharon, brother, Al, nieces Amy, Bobby Jo, Becky, nephew, Tommy, mother-in-law, Doris, and brothers-in-law, David, Bob, and Bruce, and their families.

Respectfully submitted by Al Zdrazil