

IN MEMORIAM

CHARLES HOLLISTER BLISH

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Charles Hollister Blish, a distinguished member of the Bar for more than fifty years, passed away on February 22, 1974, at the age of ninety-one years. Mr. Blish was born at Jerseyville, Illinois on February 6, 1883, the son of Charles Sylvester and Kathryn Fredenburg. Although he lived to the ripe age of ninety-one, his life was not merely long, but was active, varied and full and he retained his mental agility and sharp sense of humor until the very last moments of his life.

In a limited sense, it can be said that Mr. Blish was a self-made man. At an early age, he moved to Louisiana and went to business school. He obtained a job as secretary for Judge Hampton Story and Judge Sidney Pugh, in Crowley, Louisiana. Thereafter, he became a law clerk, took the Louisiana Bar examination and was admitted to the Louisiana State Bar in 1910. When Judge Story moved to Shreveport in 1911, representing Producers Oil Company, Mr. Blish came with him. When Judge Story retired, Mr. Blish became counsel for the Texas Company in Shreveport in the mid 1920's. He practiced as general counsel for the Texas Company in Shreveport for many years. In 1941, Mr. Blish moved to New Orleans with that company. On reaching retirement age, he was so involved in company business, he was asked to continue to be affiliated with the company which he did for a number of years, being active in the practice of law until well past the age of eighty.

Following retirement, Mr. Blish moved back to Shreveport with his family and established his home.

He was active in oil and gas litigation in the early years when Louisiana Mineral Law was developing. It can be said that his opinions and legal work bore directly and in an important way on the development of Louisiana Mineral Law as we know it today.

Charles Hollister Blish married Harriet Sears Terwilliger on April 26, 1917, and their home for many years and at the time of his death was 902 Kirby Place in Shreveport. Mr. Blish was an active member of St. Mark's Episcopal Church for many years before becoming affiliated with St. Paul's Episcopal Church. His wife preceded him in death by five years but he is survived by two daughters, Katherine Blish of Shreveport and Harriet Blish Robinson, wife of Yancy Robinson, Jr., who lives in New Orleans. To the survivors we extend our sympathy and condolences and share with them the pride in the life and achievements of this man of justice, law and discipline.

This listing of some of his accomplishments cannot fully show the kind and gentle spirit of this truly Christian gentleman, nor begin to express the loss his loved ones and friends have suffered. There results an empty sadness tempered by a grateful memory of his full, rich and rewarding life, his untiring devotion to his wife, children and other loved ones, and his services to his church, employer, State and nation.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that this Memorial be presented and read at the Memorial Exercises of the Shreveport Bar Association to be held in the Caddo Parish District Court on Tuesday, September 3, 1974, and that a multiple original be also presented to the Supreme Court of Louisiana.

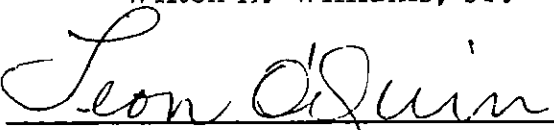
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this Memorial be delivered to the members of the immediate family of Charles

Hollister Blish, as a testimonial of the high esteem and regard held
for him by the Shreveport Bar Association.

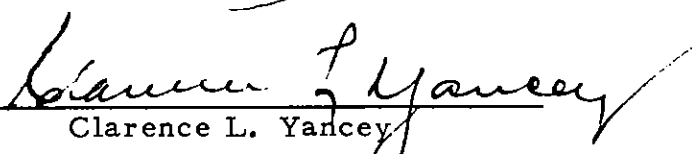
Respectfully submitted,



Wilton H. Williams, Jr.



Leon O'Quin



Clarence L. Yancey

MEMORIAL COMMITTEE

MAY IT PLEASE THE COURT, the Committee moves that
this Memorial be spread upon the Minutes of the First Judicial District
Court and that copies be supplied to the family of the deceased.