

IN MEMORIAM

CLARENCE LANGSTON YANCEY
AUGUST 17, 1909 - SEPTEMBER 5, 1982

We, the Members of the Shreveport Bar, deploring the loss of one of our older, highly respected and honorable members and with heartfelt sympathy for his widow and family, offer this resolution to his memory.

Clarence L. Yancey was born on Eldersshade Plantation in Tensas Parish, Louisiana, the son of Stephen Richard Yancey and Laura Wood Yancey. Upon graduation from high school at Sicily Island he entered Louisiana State University where he received his Bachelor of Laws degree in 1931. He immediately took the bar examinations and was admitted to practice before both the Louisiana and Texas bars. Soon thereafter he became associated with the legal department of the Standard Oil Company of Louisiana and became highly qualified in oil and gas and real estate law to which he devoted most of his practice during his life. In the Fall of 1936 he was transferred by Standard Oil to Shreveport where he made his home thereafter.

Having received and maintained his Army Reserve Officer's Commission from LSU, he volunteered to active duty at the outbreak of World War II and served with distinction as a field grade officer in the Judge Advocate General's Corps until his honorable discharge on January 1, 1946.

Upon his return to Shreveport, he remained with Standard Oil for a brief time until joining the law firm of Cook, Clark and Egan on May 1, 1946. At the time of his death he was the senior partner of that firm under the name of Cook, Yancey, King & Galloway.

As a lawyer, Clarence was learned, diligent and successful. Always faithful to the trust reposed in him by his clients, he never failed to maintain his own integrity

and the high standards of the legal profession. He was always modest concerning his own work, yet fully aware that he possessed a faculty for doing it.

As evidence of the merit and esteem of those with whom he was associated, he was elected and served as President of the Shreveport Bar Association in 1956 and as President of the Louisiana Bar Association in 1968. He served as a member of the Louisiana Judiciary Commission, the Fifth Circuit Judicial Conference and the Louisiana Law Institute. He was appointed a Fellow of the American College of Probate Counsel and member of the Board and Research Fellow of the Southwestern Legal Foundation.

For years, Clarence Yancey was a prominent figure in the meetings of the American Bar Association, where he served as Louisiana State Delegate and was appointed a Fellow of the American Bar Foundation. In 1972 he served as Chairman of the Fellows of the ABA.

Devoted as he was to his profession, Clarence still found time to do more than his share toward promoting and advancing the best interests of Shreveport. Recognizing his duties toward the community, he was quick to use his legal knowledge and business ability to aid every good cause and to foster every local improvement. As a citizen, he was active, independent and efficient. He was elected and served as a member of the Caddo Parish School Board. In 1965 he was President of the Shreveport Chamber of Commerce and thereafter served as its senior council member and life member of the President's Round Table. He was King of Holiday in Dixie, President of the Shreveport Club, a member of the Bartelos Society and Boston Club, and a founder of the Shreveport Chapter of the English Speaking Union. He was recognized as one of the founders of the LSU Medical Center in Shreveport and served as a board member of the LSU

Foundation, The Shreveport Beautification Foundation and the LSU Anglo-American Museum. For years he was attorney for the Red River Waterways Commission. Certificates of appreciation from numerous professional and civic organizations literally covered his desk and the walls of his office.

Clarence felt that travelling to other countries was part of his education and, as much as time would permit, he was either engaged in a trip to foreign countries or planning for the next trip. He kept a map in his office entitled "The World Travels of C. L. Yancey" on which he placed pins depicting over seventy countries around the world visited by him. Many of us have had the opportunity to see his slides and hear his lectures following these trips.

Clarence was proud of his listing in "Who's Who in America" and prouder still that his son, Steve, has followed in his footsteps and practiced law with him for the last nine years.

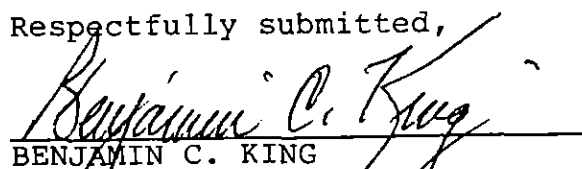
Clarence was an active member of The First Methodist Church of Shreveport and served on its Administrative Board. As long as he was able, he taught The Methodist Mens Bible Class.

Despite all of his professional, public, religious and social activities, Clarence Yancey's love for his home life and his devotion to his wife and family were among the most notable traits of his character. He is survived by his beloved wife, Irene Gayden Yancey; his son Stephen Richard Yancey; two daughters, Martha Yancey Carr of Baton Rouge and Laura Irene Yancey of Dallas; two grandchildren; and his sister, Eloise Yancey Teagle of Baton Rouge. We extend our deepest sympathy to them.


BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that this memorial be presented and read at memorial exercises to be held in the Caddo Parish District Court under the auspices of the Shreveport Bar Association on October 25, 1982, and that it be presented to the Supreme Court of Louisiana at memorial exercises to be held under the auspices of the Louisiana State Bar Association.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be delivered to the members of the immediate family of Clarence L. Yancey as a testimonial of the high esteem and regard held for him by the Shreveport and Louisiana State Bar Associations.

Respectfully submitted,


BENJAMIN C. KING


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MEMORIAL COMMITTEE