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We, the undersigned Committee, designated by the Shreveport Bar Association to prepare and submit the resolution to the memory of the late Edward V. Boagni, Sr., a distinguished member of our Association, submit the following.

Edward V. Boagni, Sr. was born November 18, 1893. He was a native of Opelousas, Louisiana, and attended St. Landry Parish public schools, Stanton Military Academy of Virginia and Tulane University, where he received his law degree.

He married Rosa Hebrard Thistlewaite and of the marriage was born a son, Edward V. Boagni, Jr. of London, England. He was survived by his wife and son, two step daughters, Mrs. Gloria Barenfanger of Vandalia, Illinois, and Mrs. Gretchen Gottfried of Baton Rouge; two sisters, Mrs. J. A. Junge of Kansas City, Missouri and Mrs. Kenneth Smith of Opelousas, a brother, Joseph M. Boagni of Opelousas, and nine grandchildren.

During World War I he served his country in the United States Navy.

Mr. Boagni began his practice of law in Opelousas, Louisiana, in 1919 and entered public service as an appointee of former Governor Sam Jones as counsel to the Louisiana Department of Employment Security in 1940. He became chief counsel of the department, serving until November 30, 1948.

The following year he was appointed as an Assistant United States Attorney, Western District of Louisiana. In 1954, he was made First Assistant United States Attorney and retained that position until his retirement at the age of 77 in 1970. His service with the United States Department of Justice spanned

the terms of six United States Attorneys.

Mr. Boagni was a member of the Shreveport, Louisiana, and American Bar Associations, St. Mark's Episcopal Church, the American Legion and Kappa Alpha fraternity.

As an attorney, he was admired by lawyers as a master of their craft. His manner in handling complicated jury trials for the Department of Justice seemed effortless because of his wealth of experience. He worked diligently with a keen understanding of human nature to prosecute offenders. He had an unerring instinct for justice and juries enjoyed him because his command of english permitted him to make the most intricate factual situations and the legal principles applicable thereto fully comprehensible. His contributions to the maintenance of justice in our society were well known.

The manner in which Mr. Boagni practiced law as an outstanding lawyer serves as an example to all in the profession.

His colleagues will also remember him for his wit and repartee during informal conversations. We miss Mr. Boagni and his great gift of friendship. His death is a loss that will be felt by those who knew him well, and also by those who knew him only from afar as an attorney, civic leader and good citizen.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, that we of the Shreveport Bar Association, in this memorial, express our admiration and respect to the late Edward V. Boagni, Sr., whose life and the conduct of his practice exemplified the high standards of the legal profession.

Be It Further Resolved that we extend to his family the sympathy of each member of our Association in their loss, and that a copy of this resolution be spread upon the Minutes of the 1st Judicial District Court and that a copy of this memorial

be delivered to the family of the deceased.

August J. Burnett

John H. Harris

Dorote H. Perkins, Jr.

Shreveport, Louisiana

September 6, 1977