

IN THE  
FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT  
PARISH OF CADDO, STATE OF LOUISIANA

FALL TERM, 1958

SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA

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*W. H. Joseph, Jr.*  
Deputy Clerk

IN MEMORIAM

JACK COLLINS WIMBISH

July 24, 1923 - April 10, 1958

John W. Haygood, Chairman

Kenneth G. Burgess

Leven H. Harris

Memorial Committee  
Shreveport Bar Association

JACK COLLINS WIMBISH passed away on April 10, 1958 in the thirty-fourth year of his life, and a promising career before the Bar was untimely halted. In grateful remembrance of his service to the Bar and the community, this brief biographical memorial is dedicated.

Jack Collins Wimbish was born in Shreveport, Louisiana, on July 24, 1923, the son of Samuel C. and Lillie Collins Wimbish. He spent most of his early life in Shreveport, though he lived for a time in Monroe, Louisiana. He was educated in the public schools of these two cities, graduating from Fair Park High School of Shreveport in 1941. His higher education was delayed by the advent of World War II, during which he served his country for four years in the United States Marine Corps, with distinction, having participated in the battles of Saipan, Iwo Jima, Guam and Okinawa, as a member of the celebrated Second Marine Raider Battalion, and later the Sixth Marine Division.

At the end of World War II he pursued his education at Centenary College of Louisiana, in Shreveport, and at Tulane University of Louisiana in New Orleans, from which latter institution he took his Bachelor of Laws Degree in 1950 and was at once admitted to the Bar of the Supreme Court of Louisiana. It was the privilege of each of the members of this memorial committee to have been his classmates in law school.

After graduation he returned to Shreveport and entered the Right of Way Department of Texas Eastern Transmission Corporation. Two years later he resigned this position and commenced the private practice of law in Shreveport in association with Mr. James T. Jeter, with whom he practiced for several years. In 1956 this association

was dissolved, and he practiced by himself until his death.

He was married to Barbara Erin Spinks of Shreveport, on April 18, 1946, and of this union were born two sons, Jack Collins Wimbish, Jr., age 9, and Gary Douglas Wimbish, age 5, all of whom survive him.

His career at the Bar, though relatively short, was performed with honor and distinction. His devotion to the cause of those whom he counselled and represented was indeed marked. His sincere and wholehearted efforts on their behalf never failed to impress his clients, no matter the nature of their problems.

He was always active in church and community affairs, having been a member of the Mangham Memorial Methodist Church since childhood, and in later life a member and Captain of Ushers of St. Paul's Episcopal Church. He was a member of the Free and Accepted Masons, Queensborough Lodge 418 and of the Mithra Grotto, a Masonic organization.

He was also active in the political and governmental affairs of his community, state and nation and though he never held or aspired to public office himself, he never hesitated to actively support the political principles in which he believed. He was the kind of citizen who, though he had actively served his country during World War II in actual combat with the enemy, did not feel that this discharged his duty to his country, as he subsequently obtained and held until his death, a Commission in the United States Air Force Reserve.

Jack Wimbish had the unanimous respect and affection of his colleagues of all ages at the Bar. He was a loving son and husband, a devoted father, an able and dedicated lawyer and a courageous citizen.

His passing will leave some emptiness in the lives of all who ever knew him.

A fitting and final tribute to one whose concern was ever for others recalls these brief lines from the pen of Alfred Lord Tennyson:

Sunset and evening star,  
And one clear call for me,  
And may there be no moaning of the bar,  
When I put out to sea.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

THAT We, the members of the Shreveport Bar Association, do hereby express our deepest feelings of respect, honor and love in memory of the late Jack Collins Wimbish.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

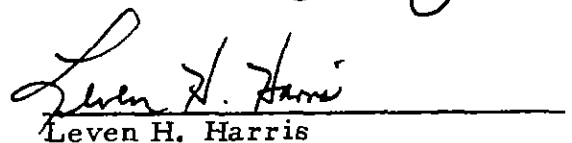
THAT this memorial and resolution be made a part of the minutes of this Court, to be permanently inscribed upon these records as an inspiration to posterity.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

THAT a copy of this memorial and resolution be delivered to the immediate family in expression of our deep and heartfelt sympathy.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Kenneth G. Burgess

  
Leven H. Harris

  
John W. Haygood, Chairman.