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MEMORIAL

These resolutions of respect to the memory of PIKE HALL are proposed on behalf of his brothers of the Shreveport Bar, in order to perpetuate a testimonial of their esteem in the archives of the Court before which he practiced all of his professional life.

Pike Hall was born at Mansfield, Louisiana, on October 19, 1896, the son of W. P. and Mrs. Ida Jack Hall. He moved to Shreveport with his parents in 1900, and died in Shreveport on December 16, 1945, after an illness of three days.

His father served as District Judge for DeSoto and Red River Parishes prior to 1900, and his maternal uncle, Judge Whitfield Jack, died while United States District Judge for the Western District of Louisiana.

He received his academic education at the University of the South, Sewanee, Tennessee, and his legal education at the College of Law of Tulane University, and Columbia University, New York City, from which he graduated in 1922. At college he was a member of the Kappa Alpha (Southern) fraternity, and Phi Delta Phi legal fraternity, and was made an honorary member of the Order of Coif by the Chapter at Tulane University in 1944.

He was admitted to the bar by the Supreme Court of Louisiana in 1922, and commenced practice at Shreveport in a partnership with

his father, a close association which lasted until his father's death in 1928. He was one of the original members of the firm of Foster, Hall and Smith, of which he was a principal partner at the time of his death.

Pike Hall was a senior at the University of the South at the outbreak of World War I, in which he participated by enlisting in the United States Army Ambulance Corps, with which he served in France, attached for duty to the French Army. As a veteran, he affiliated with the American Legion, the Forty and Eight Society, and Veterans of Foreign Wars. He was Past Commander of the Lowe McFarland Post of the American Legion, one of the largest posts in the country.

For many years he was a Captain, Judge Advocate General's Department, Officers Reserve Corps, from which he was discharged in 1943 for physical disability.

He served with distinction as a member of the Louisiana Senate from Caddo and DeSoto Parishes from 1924 to 1932.

Pike Hall married Hazel Tucker, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. C. M. Tucker, of Haughton, Louisiana, on July 20, 1925. Mrs. Hall now resides at Shreveport, with their two children, Hazel and Pike Hall, jr., both students at Byrd High School.

He was an active member of the First Methodist Church and its Young Men's Bible Class.

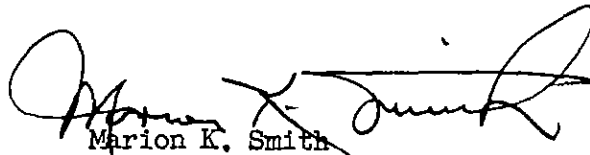
He was very active in Bar Association affairs, having been the last president of the old voluntary Louisiana State Bar Association, and the first president of the integrated association created under

rules of the Supreme Court of Louisiana. At the time of his death he was a member of the House of Delegates of the American Bar Association; Vice Chairman of the Section on Mineral Law, and a member of the Council of the Section on International and Comparative Law.

These bare facts but little indicate the range of activities and the breadth of influence of this lawyer, whose profession was a calling and not merely a livelihood. They cannot indicate the warmth of congeniality, the love of the outdoors, the instinctive friendliness with which he faced the world. But they do establish beyond any possible doubt that he was impelled by a high sense of duty, and that he had the complete respect and confidence of his professional brethren. It is given to few men to achieve such a career of service in so short a time - service to his profession in positions of great trust, - service to his State as a senior legislator, - service in the armed forces in time of war, - service to his fellow men as a wise lawyer. Might it not be said -

“ . . . Not seldom did these tasks
Tease, and the thought of time so spent depress
His spirit, but the recompense was high:
Firm independence, Bounty's rightful sire;
Affections, warm as sunshine, free as air;
And when the precious hours of leisure came,
Knowledge and wisdom, gained from converse sweet
With books, or while he ranged the crowded streets
With a keen eye, and overflowing heart:
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O he was good, if e'er a good man lived.”

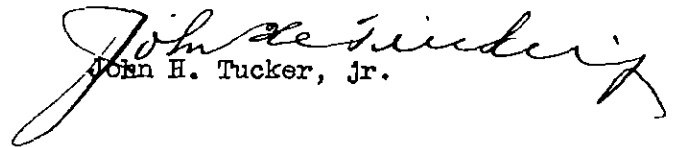
Wherefore, it is prayed that these resolutions of respect be recorded in the Minutes of this Honorable Court, and transcribed in the Special Minute Book for Memorials, and that a certified copy thereof be transmitted to the family of Pike Hall, Esquire, deceased, under the seal of the Court.



Marion K. Smith



F. Leonard Hargrove



John H. Tucker, Jr.