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Having been duly designated by the President of the Shreveport Bar Association as a committee with the privilege of presenting an appropriate memorial resolution on our recently departed brother lawyer, we do hereby submit the following:

IN MEMORIAM WILBURN VASTINE LUNN

On March 28, 1981, the Shreveport Bar Association lost one of its elder statesmen and most distinguished members. WILBURN VASTINE LUNN, at age 81, departed this life in Shreveport where he had lived since 1908.

At the time of his death, Wilburn was a member of the firm of Lunn, Irion, Switzer, Johnson & Salley, and his association with that firm, and its predecessors, had subsisted for more than 30 years. He began the practice of law in Shreveport in 1927 after graduating from the Law School at Tulane University. His undergraduate work had been done at the United States Military Academy at West Point, and following his graduation there in 1920 he was commissioned a Second Lieutenant in the United States Army and served for three (3) years.

His professional training at West Point, and his prior service in the Army, formed a solid basis for his subsequent military career during World War II. He was ordered to active duty in 1941 prior to Pearl Harbor, and he served with distinction, with the rank of Colonel, in North Africa, Italy, France and Germany. He was decorated by the United States, France and Italy. These awards included the U.S. Legion of Merit, the French Croix de Guerre and the Italian Military Valor Cross.

Returning to Shreveport after the war was over, he resumed the practice of law. Always interested in politics, he became an enthusiastic supporter of Robert F. Kennon and was a substantial factor in the election of Kennon as Governor of Louisiana. During the years from 1952 to 1956, he served Governor Kennon as Executive Counsel and spent full time in Baton Rouge.

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Throughout his life, Wilburn was a faithful and active member of the Presbyterian Church. At the time of his death, he was a member of the First Presbyterian Church in Shreveport, and he had served that church as a Ruling Elder.

Activities of the legal profession claimed his attention and his talents. He held memberships in the American, Louisiana and Shreveport Bar Associations, of which he was a past President. He maintained a membership in the Belcher Masonic Lodge and in the University Club.

A recurring event which afforded him great pleasure in his later years was the annual reunion of his graduating class at West Point. He enjoyed renewing his acquaintance with classmates who had made the military service a career and had retired as general officers. Some of his anecdotes about the student days of these distinguished military men were priceless. One would hope that he had taken the time, and devoted the effort, to record some of these for posterity, but in the ways of most of us, he probably never got around to it.

Thursday afternoons became most important times in his life. The only thing that would keep him away from Querbes Park on Thursday afternoon was weather that would be too miserable to permit anyone to play golf. He had developed a circle of golf companions who were his contemporaries in age, and surely the pleasure and exercise which he obtained with them served to extend his life.

Wilburn was survived by his widow, Mary Blanche Douglas
Lunn; three sons, Stuart Douglas Lunn---a fellow member of the
Shreveport Bar; Robert Gibbs Lunn, a local bank executive; and Wilburn
Vastine Lunn, Jr., a resident of Houston, employed by one of the giant
energy companies. These sons had presented him with six (6) grandchildren, who had afforded him great pleasure. One sister, Mrs. Edwin
L. Blewer, also survived him.

The Shreveport Bar Association has lost one of its most distinguished members, and his absence leaves a void which will be a continuing reminder to us of the character and integrity of such a conscientious practitioner of the law.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that we of the Shreveport Bar Association in this memorial express our admiration and respect for the late WILBURN VASTINE LUNN, whose exemplary life and the manner of the conduct of his law practice are a credit to the legal profession and a source of strength to his associates.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we extend to the members of his family our sincere and heartfelt sympathy in their loss, and that a copy of this resolution be spread upon the minutes of the First Judicial District Court. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that appropriate copies of this resolution be delivered to Mary Blanche Douglas Lunn.

MILTON C. TRICHEL, J