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MEMORIAL TO
ARTHUR O'QUIN

January 13, 1896 - January 20, 1972

Presented to the First Judicial District Court of Louisiana in and for Caddo Parish by the undersigned Committee designated by the President of the Shreveport Bar Association to prepare and submit a resolution in memory of the late Arthur O'Quin of Shreveport, a member of the Bar of this Court and of this Association.

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Arthur O'Quin was born in Natchitoches, Louisiana, on January 13, 1896, the son of John T. O'Quin, and his wife, Clara Lane O'Quin. His childhood life was spent in and around Natchitoches, Louisiana. He died on January 20, 1972, in Shreveport, Louisiana, where he had lived his adult life and where he had practiced law with success and distinction.

His preparatory education was secured at Jefferson Military College, Natchez, Mississippi, and Sewanee Military Academy, Sewanee, Tennessee. He continued his education at Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, where he received his AB Degree in 1917. During his undergraduate years he participated in all college sports activities and was captain of Louisiana State University football team in 1917.

After receiving his AB Degree he enlisted in the United States Army to serve in World War I and was shortly thereafter shipped overseas. After attending Officers Training School at Saumur, France, he was commissioned Lieutenant - Field Artillery, in which capacity he served with the American Expeditionary Force during the remainder of World War I.

He returned to Baton Rouge, Louisiana, and entered the law school of Louisiana State University from which he was graduated with an LLB Degree in 1920. He began the practice of law in Shreveport immediately after his admission to the Bar in 1920, and was associated in the early part of his career with W. M. Phillips, a prominent Shreveport attorney. He joined the then firm of Blanchard, Goldstein & Walker in 1922, and continued with that firm, which, on the date of his death, was Blanchard, Walker, O'Quin & Roberts. During his lifelong practice he firmly established a reputation for diligence and energy in service to his clients, for skill, learning and imagination in his profession, and above all, for his candid dealings with his clients, the courts and other members of the profession. One of his greatest attributes was that there was never any uncertainty as to how he stood on any question that might be presented to him.

During the most active part of his legal career Arthur O'Quin's efforts were concentrated on mineral law and the legal problems of those businesses and individuals engaged in the production of oil and gas in the State of Louisiana and to a limited extent in other states.

In these fields -- conservation law and practice, mineral law, contract and title matters -- he obtained a great skill and an outstanding reputation. Although his practice in later years was not concentrated on litigation, he was extremely capable in that field through early practice in the courts, but when he did engage in litigation his preparation of any case for trial was thorough and complete. As a result, he was quite successful in the results of this litigation. Prime examples of his results are evidenced by the case of Esso Standard Oil Company -vs- Jones et al, 233 La. 915, 98 S.2d 236 (1957), dealing with accessions and accretions on navigable streams; and, the case of Hunt Oil Company -vs- Ohio Oil Company, 205 F.Supp. 885 (1962), aff'd. 321 F.2d 702 (Ct. of App., 5th Cir.) (1963), dealing with interpretation of field-wide unitization and pressure maintenance agreements, as well as numerous other reported cases.

He was a long time member of the Episcopal Church and contributed generously to its material and spiritual welfare.

One of his particular interests was travel and particularly travel in foreign countries. During the latter years of his life, he made a number of trips into Mexico, covering all parts of the country of Mexico as the result of several trips.

Arthur O'Quin was survived at his death by his brother, Leon O'Quin, and by one nephew, Thomas O'Quin, Lafayette, Louisiana, and several great nephews and nieces. His brother, Leon O'Quin, continues to practice law in Shreveport, Louisiana, as a partner in the firm of Blanchard, Walker, O'Quin & Roberts.

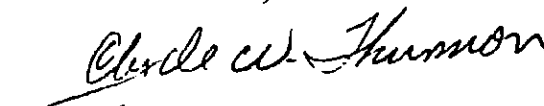
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the members of the Shreveport Bar Association, hereby affirm the respect, the admiration and the regard in which we held Arthur O'Quin for his character and ability, his industry, skill and learning, and for his example of the lawyer at his best; and we extend to his brother, nieces and nephews our sincere sympathy in their loss.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that this memorial and resolution be made a part of the records of this Court and that copies of the record hereof be delivered to the members of the family of our departed brother and friend.


F. LEONARD HARGROVE


DAVID E. SMITHERMAN


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Shreveport, Louisiana

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