

**MEMORIAL FOR
CARL L. EKENDAHL
PRESENTED AT THE MEMORIAL AND RECOGNITION CEREMONY
HELD IN THE FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT
OCTOBER 21, 2005
UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE
SHREVEPORT BAR ASSOCIATION**

MAY IT PLEASE THE COURT:

Carl L. Ekendahl was born in Memphis, Tennessee, on April 26, 1963. He was the youngest of three children born to Kenneth and JoNan Ekendahl, who preceded him in death. He graduated from Memphis State University with a Bachelor of Business Administration Degree in Finance. He began his career in Shreveport, Louisiana, when he joined the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation in 1986 and received his commission as a Bank Examiner in 1989. He left this position in 1991 to attend law school at Louisiana State University. Following graduation in 1994, Carl worked as a judicial law clerk to Judge Henry N. Brown at the Louisiana Second Circuit Court of Appeal and was admitted to the Louisiana Bar the same year. In 1997, he was sworn in as an Assistant District Attorney for Bossier Parish where he conducted countless bench and jury trials, served as Chief Appellate Counsel for the office, and was eventually named administrative assistant to the District Attorney. In 2003, Carl joined the law firm of Jeansonne & Remondet. When I first met Carl, I immediately noticed he was an honorable man who possessed profound intelligence, integrity, strength of character and kindness.

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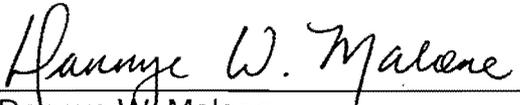
Carl was an extremely talented and gifted attorney. His colleagues often referred to him as the consummate word smith. His unique ability to coin a phrase and draft complex legal documents was truly an art form. Carl also had an endearing sense of humor and the ability to make you laugh. He had a unique love of life that was contagious.

Carl is survived by his wife Elizabeth Bossier Ekendahl and two children, a son, Zachary Carl Ekendahl, and daughter, Emma Christine Ekendahl. He is also survived by two sisters, Shasta Akins and Shellie Wells.

Carl was a dedicated father and husband and loved spending time with his family. He also enjoyed playing his bass guitar and was a dedicated member of the Johnson Brothers Band. He was a devout Christian and was an active member of the First United Pentecostal Church of Bossier.

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 Carl L. Ekendahl 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 wife Elizabeth, and children, Zachary and Emma, our sincere sympathy in their loss.

BE IT 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,



Dannye W. Malone