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IN MEMORIAM

JOHN HOWARD THIGPEN

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John Howard Thigpen was born in Tetahatchie,
Alabama, on March 16, 1874, the son of George W.
and Matilda Farriar Thigpen. His father, George
W. Thigpen, was for many years the President of
the Keatchie Baptist College, which was the Alma
Mater of so many of the distinguished men and
prominent women of Louisiana: among them Mr.
Thigpen's brother, James Alston Thigpen who attained
great distinction at the Shreveport Bar.

Howard Thigpen was one of seven brothers, of whom five graduated from the Keatchie Baptist College. After his graduation, Mr. Thigpen became a member of the faculty of that College; and thereafter, being appointed to a scholarship in chemistry, he received his academic degree from the University of Nashville, and did post graduate work at Harvard and at Columbia University, Washington, D. C. At that time, he decided to make teaching his life work, but after

Several years, he was induced to enter into Government service in the Philippine Islands, where for three and a half years he was connected with the Bureau of Customs and Immigration.

Returning to the United States, he entered the Tulane Law School, from which he graduated, and was admitted to the bar on March 12, 1906, practicing law thereafter for several years with his brother, Edward F. Thigpen. During World War I he volunteered for service, and was commissioned as a Lieutenant in the American Red Cross, for which organization he performed services throughout the war in Great Britain.

Following the war, Mr. Thigpen returned to his old home in Keatchie and served for a number of years as Police Juror of DeSoto Parish, moving back to Shreveport in 1941. In that year, he married Mrs. Pattie Colvin Hennick, who, together with her son Louis Hennick, survive him.

Howard Thigpen was noted for his unfailing kindness and good nature, and unremitting help in

advising and aiding, not only his friends, but his neighbors and acquaintances.

To his devoted wife, and to his step-son, to whom he was in every respect a father, the bar extends its deepest and heartfelt sympathy, and offers to them as its consolation the fact that Howard Thigpen will always be remembered in the communities in which he resided as being an outstanding type of a kind-hearted and devoted friend, and a patriotic and unselfish citizen.

Therefore, BE IT RESOLVED by the Shreveport Bar Association that in the passing of John Howard Thigpen, the legal profession of Louisiana has lost a worth-while member, and that we, the bar of Shreveport, express our profound sorrow at his death, and extend to his devoted family our deepest sympathy.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copy of this resolution be filed and made part of the records of

this court, a copy filed with the Supreme Court of the State of Louisiana, and a copy delivered to the family of the deceased.

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Ralph E. Halliburton

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