

RESOLUTION ON THE DEATH OF

WILLIAM ALEXANDER MABRY

We, the undersigned committee, appointed by the SHREVEPORT BAR ASSOCIATION, to draft resolutions upon the death of WILLIAM ALEXANDER MABRY, beg leave to submit the following:

WILLIAM ALEXANDER MABRY was born in Attalla County, Mississippi, on December 12th, 1866, son of Griffin L. and Sarah Donald Mabry. His father died when he was twelve years of age, leaving him as the main support of the family. He attended the University of Mississippi. In 1888 he was employed as a clerk in the retail grocery store of Goldstein and Rose, at Shreveport, Louisiana, and later became a member of the Firm known as Goldstein-Mabry & Company. In 1902 he became associated with Ardis & Company of Shreveport, Louisiana, wholesale grocers. In 1906 he withdrew from the Grocery business to practice law. He studied law at night under Honorable Thomas C. Barrett and Honorable Lewell C. Butler, and on January 3, 1906, he passed the examination before the Supreme Court of Louisiana, to practice law.

On January 6th, 1906, he opened his law office in the City of Shreveport, Louisiana, where he was actively engaged until his death, which occurred on February 15th, 1947.

Mr. Mabry exercised great interest in public affairs, and served as Councilman of the City of Shreveport from 1898 to 1900. He was President of the Board of Supervisors of Elections during the Administration of Governor Newton C. Blanchard. He was elected District Attorney for the First Judicial District Court in 1912, and served until 1916, in which office he won distinction as a faithful, fair and capable State's Prosecuting Attorney.

In 1890 Mr. Mabry married Miss Nellie Lake, daughter of the late Honorable John Lake, former Sheriff of Caddo Parish, Louisiana. One daughter was born to this union, namely, Mrs. Josephine Mabry Mayfield, wife of J. H. Mayfield. Mrs. Nellie Lake Mabry died in

1921, and in 1922 Mr. Mabry married Mrs. Cornelia Buckley Walsh, with whom he was living at the time of his death.

WHEREAS, the SUPREME RULER OF THE UNIVERSE, in the exercise of His infinite power, has summoned and taken WILLIAM ALEXANDER MABRY from the activities of this world, to put on robes of immortality:

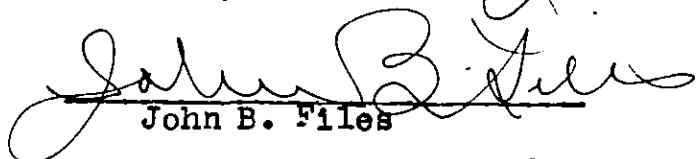
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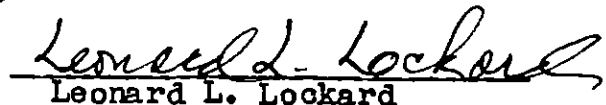
BE IT RESOLVED, That in the death of WILLIAM ALEXANDER MABRY, the Shreveport Bar Association has lost one of its ablest members; the City of Shreveport and State of Louisiana, an eminent and useful citizen; that he was a man devoted to his family, loyal to his friends and faithful to his trusts.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That, in his demise, we have suffered the loss of a friend, whose life was worthy of emulation, a man of high ideals, a christian gentleman; one whose heart was full of tenderness, charity and understanding. He leaves to the members of his family, and to us a legacy of service well performed in public and private life.

Respectfully submitted

  
Chairman

  
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Leonard L. Lockard