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In Memoriam

GEORGE WILLIS GIBSON, JR.

November 19, 1923 - January 31, 1991

This memorial is presented by Donald L. Baker in memory of the late George Willis Gibson, Jr.

George Willis Gibson, Jr. was born November 19, 1923 in Jacksonville, Texas. He was descended from the founding family of Cherokee County, Texas. He attended public schools and Lon Morris Junior College in Jacksonville, Texas. He received his law degree from the University of Texas in 1945. As a member of the Texas Bar, he practiced in Amarillo and Slaton, Texas before moving to Shreveport, Louisiana in 1955 to look after family interest in the Pine Island Oil Field in Caddo Parish. On his own, he studied for the Louisiana Bar, borrowing books from the late Donald Levine. He was admitted to the Louisiana Bar in 1958. In 1966 he commenced his practice in Shreveport, Louisiana, and continued until one week before his death on January 31, 1991 at the age of 67 years.

George was married to Mary Louise Seale. He and Mary worked together as a team in his law office in the Johnson Building. Of this marriage, two children were born. The eldest, George Willis Gibson, III, died tragically as a result of an automobile accident one week after completing his academic requirements for his Master of Business Administration degree at the University of Texas. He was awarded his MBA degree posthumously. The second child, a

daughter, Mary Seal Gibson, is a graduate of Louisiana State University Law School in Baton Rouge and is practicing law as an associate with the firm of Adams and Duesler in Beaumont, Texas.

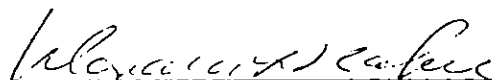
George was proud of being the third generation of lawyers in his family, his father and grandfather having been members of the Bar of Texas before he. He was especially proud that his daughter, Mary, has carried the tradition into the fourth generation.

George's many friends and acquaintances, particularly among the members of the Shreveport Bar and the Methodist church, of which he was a lifelong member, remember him with warm affection.

I am privileged to offer the following resolution.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Shreveport Bar Association does hereby direct that the admiration and respect in which George Willis Gibson, Jr. was held by his fellow lawyers and his fellow citizens be made a permanent part of the records of the First Judicial District Court and that a copy of this expression and respect be sent, with the sympathy of the Association, to his family.

Respectfully submitted, October 28, 1991.



Donald L. Baker