

**MEMORIAL RESOLUTION FOR  
OSCAR BERNARD ("O.B.") HOFSTETTER, JR.**

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*After graduating from law school, O.B. formed his law firm with his father in 1938. His career was put on hold when in 1944 he served on the Destroyer U.S.S. Owen in the Pacific as a Communications Officer.*

*In 1938, he married Virginia Carson Hofstetter and they shared their union for over 65 years, and from this union 4 sons were born: Oscar Bernard Hofstetter, III, Robert Benjamin Hofstetter, James Carson Hofstetter, and Christian Sanders Hofstetter, together with 3 grandchildren, 2 step grandchildren. O.B. is also survived by a brother, the Reverend Robert J. Hofstetter, and 2 sisters, Sister Adrian Marie Hofstetter and Sister Margaret Marie Hofstetter.*

*O.B. had a long and distinguished legal career, which flourished from the beginning. His work included a wide variety of legal matters, however, he was noted to have written more wills than any other lawyer in the County. O.B. had a great legal mind. His arguments in the trial and Appellate Courts were particularly cogent, crisp, and well reasoned. Judges knew O.B. to be prepared when he appeared in Court. He got right to the facts and moved fast to get to the heart of his case.*

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*Council of Nashville, a member of the Nashville Bar Association serving two terms on the Board of Directors, a member of the American and Tennessee Bar Associations, the Nashville Bar Foundation, a founding member of the Tennessee Bar Foundation, a life member of the Sixth Circuit Judicial Conference, Chairman of the Board of Professional Responsibility, and Secretary of the Judicial Standards Commission.*

*O.B. and best friend B.B. Gullett worked and traveled together on American Bar Association issues and moved freely in English legal Circles where he met and became friends with Victor Durand, one of Britain's most outstanding Barristers.*

*O.B. not only was active in matters involving his legal profession, he was also active in areas of the community which he loved and served. He was a Past President of the Quarterback Club, a charter member of the Junior Achievement of Nashville, a member of the English Speaking Union, a member of the Exchange Club of Nashville (where he wrote Resolutions like this for deceased members of Exchange), a Past President of the Richland Country Club and the SERRA Club, a 4th Degree Member of the Knights of Columbus, and many other civic and charitable organizations.*

*As a sportsman, O.B. was known as the No. 1 Vanderbilt Fan in both football and basketball. He retained his season tickets in Memorial Gym on the front row where he made himself known to the Referees calling the games. He loved to hunt quail; he trained and pampered his beautiful English Setters as only a true sportsman would. At Richland, O.B. enjoyed golf (an 8 handicap) and other games to interface with his beloved friends and colleagues.*

*As a churchman, O.B. was deeply involved in the Catholic faith taking on many activities in furtherance of his faith and activities at the church. He served as the first chairman of the Parish Council of Christ the King Catholic Church.*

*O.B. was extremely loyal to his family which shared mutual love and affection. Three of the boys practiced with their father with the skill, grace, and integrity of their mentor. O.B. also depended on his long-time right hand, his secretary, Eunice Miller, who worked with him for 33 years.*

*As a family man, O.B. was deeply revered by his wife, Virginia, his sons, and their families. It was noted that his mentoring advice to the boys was that the most important thing in life is "people". He taught them that getting to know other people and working with them is important to successful living.*

**MEMORIAL RESOLUTION  
FOR  
PATRICIA ANN MONTGOMERY**

Patricia Ann Montgomery died July 9, 2004. A passionate advocate for her clients, a loyal friend to her partners and peers and an active volunteer for her community and those in need, she is sorely missed by many. Before attending the Nashville School of Law, Patricia's path was varied and far reaching. From theological studies at the University of South Florida where she received her bachelor's degree, Patricia traveled to Ireland entering a convent as a novitiate. Leaving Ireland Patricia moved to Nashville, began as a restaurant worker and became a restaurant manager before moving to management with the Kroger Company. Working days and studying nights at the Nashville School of Law, Patricia was a Cooper's Inn member and recipient of the American Juris Prudence Awards in legal research and writing, legal ethics and constitutional law.

After graduation Patricia joined the firm of Westlake and Marsden which later became Westlake, Marsden and Montgomery. In 2003 she became a member of Gullett, Sanford, Robinson and Martin where she was certified by the Tennessee Commission on Continuing Legal Education and Specialization as a specialist in estate planning.

Her legal career, like her life, followed a wide and variegated path. She successfully represented clients before state and federal courts and in arbitration proceedings on matters ranging from employment discrimination to bankruptcy eventually concentrating on wills, estates, trusts and probate matters.

Patricia's empathy and generosity were boundless. A member of the New Song Christian Fellowship she was an officer, board member and frequent volunteer for the Rape & Sexual Abuse Center. Patricia served on the board of directors for Restore Ministries of the Middle Tennessee YMCA and Caring Resources. She gave her time and talent to the Lewisburg Girl's Shelter and the Literacy Program.

Patricia's ceaseless devotion to her clients, and her selfless work wherever she saw need have left our community a brighter and better place.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Nashville Bar Association that we honor the life and work of Patricia Ann Montgomery and mourn in her passing the loss of a keen mind, a caring spirit and a lifelong student of law who sought justice for all and represented the highest aspirations of the law.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this memorial resolution be placed in the permanent records of the association and entered in the "In Memoriam" minute book of the Chancery Court of Davidson County, Tennessee, and that copies thereof be furnished to members of her family, her brothers, Bruce, Gary, Greg and Clark Montgomery, her aunt, Betty Hicks and her cousin, Carolyn Watts.

This 18<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2004.

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Chancellor

Approved for Entry:

Gullett, Sanford, Robinson & Martin, PLLC



Mark H. Westlake