

MEMORIAL RESOLUTION FOR
MARSHALL LOYD HIX

In January this year, Nashville lost one of its finest lawyers at the young age of 64. Although Marshall Loyd Hix left this life on January 14, 2018, his wonderful sense of humor, spirit and legacy lives on among his family, friends, and all who knew him well. Born February 21, 1953 in Nashville, Tennessee, he was the son of the late Kelley Reagor Hix & Elsie McMillan Hix. Marshall lived his early years in the Flat Creek Community of Bedford County, Tennessee, and was a member of the class of 1971 at Shelbyville Central High School. A little known fact is that Marshall graduated from the Kentucky School of Mortuary Science before heading home to Nashville, to attain his Bachelor of Arts degree, with majors in Molecular Biology and Political Science, from Vanderbilt University in 1979. After Vanderbilt, he earned his law degree from the Nashville School of Law in 1983.

Marshall started his legal career as Associate General Counsel with First American Corporation in Nashville. After this start in the business world, he turned to the private practice of law in 1989, by joining the law firm of Baker, Worthington, Crossley, Stansberry & Woolf, and also by starting his own law firm, Combos & Hix, PLC in 1991. During much of the 1990s and into the new century, he practiced law at Baker, or his own law firm, or in the Nashville office of the law firm of Wyatt, Tarrant & Combs, a large, regional law firm based in Louisville, Kentucky, at times having his feet in two firms at the same time. Marshall never liked to have all his eggs in just one basket. His primary fields of practice included real estate, title insurance, commercial lending, creditor's rights, and bankruptcy and commercial litigation. He was a Licensed Title Insurance Agent for numerous title companies, including Fidelity National Title Insurance Company, Old Republic National Title Insurance Company and Stewart Title Guaranty Company.

In 2014 he returned to Wyatt, fulltime, where he practiced until illness took hold in the summer of 2017. Marshall was AV Preeminent rated by Martindale-Hubbell and listed in Woodward/White's The Best Lawyers in America in the area of Banking and Finance Law. He was also an elected Fellow with the Nashville Bar Foundation.

Marshall was meticulous, respectful, thoughtful and honorable. He was well respected by the bench and his peers. He was generous with his time, and if you asked, his advice. Marshall was a gentleman in the practice of law and his daily contacts with people. And he possessed the wonderful gift of making others laugh, with a wicked and dry sense of humor. He would make you laugh, then he'd sit back and smile (and often roll his eyes). And he could come up with a mixed metaphor on the upswing, like, "We'll burn that bridge when we get to it". Marshall was a pleasure to talk with on all matters, not merely legal issues. His colleagues will always miss him, both as a friend and as an attorney.

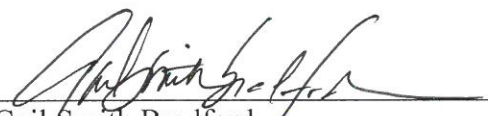
Marshall loved animals, especially his cats, and over the years, there were many. He loved travel, including many excursions south of the border with best friends. He loved music, concerts, and any sweet playing of the piano. He was a devoted patron of The Tennessee Walking Horse National Celebration, held for decades in Shelbyville, where his family held the same box seats for decades. He was a staunch Republican; having worked for Senator Howard Baker in his Vanderbilt days, his conservative leaning stuck with him through the years. Among his closest allies, he was not particularly known for political correctness. He was also very fond of his colleagues and friends at Yazoo Brewery, where he spent many hours over the years relaxing with some of some of the most loyal friends one could ever hope to have.

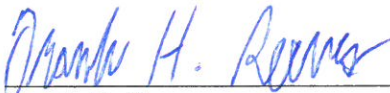
Despite all of his professional accomplishments, there was one other trait central to Marshall's spirit that survived to the end – his great humility. He was a true blue friend.

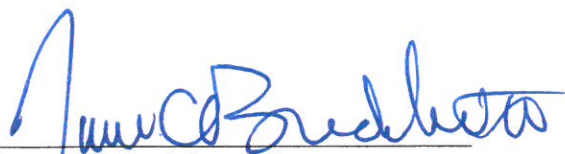
His immediate family includes his sister Carol Hix Hollamon, of Sugar Tree, Tenn., nephew Shaun Armstrong, of Nashville and niece Jennifer Whitson of Shelbyville.


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Nashville Bar Association that we honor the life and work of our friend, Marshall Loyd Hix; that, in the life of Marshall Loyd Hix, we were blessed with a man of exceptional legal talent, personality and character, and with his passing we have suffered a great loss; that this Resolution be placed in the permanent records of the Nashville Bar Association and entered in the In Memoriam Minutes Book of the Chancery Court of Davidson County, Tennessee; and that copies of this Resolution be furnished to the Hix family.

This 24th day of May, 2018.


Gail Smith Bradford


Frank H. Reeves


James C. Bradshaw III


Chancellor