

Memorial Resolution for V. Michael Fox ("DUI Mike")

V. Michael Fox, who died suddenly on Thanksgiving Day, November 24, 2005, age 57, was a complex individual. A master of showmanship in the courtroom, and known by many for his creative marketing in his specialty of DUI defense, he was in fact an incisive legal thinker and brilliant strategist. Mike was collaborative with his law partners; he also stressed, in words and actions, the need to bring along younger and less experienced colleagues. Extremely social with lawyers not only in Nashville and across Tennessee but also nationwide, Mike was also a devoted family man focused on his two children, Victor and Angela.

Mike had a varied background. He was born on August 10, 1948 and raised in Nashville. He spoke with fondness of his military service in the U.S. Navy. He was a graduate both of the University of Tennessee and the Nashville School of Law. He never lost his love of the University of Tennessee, and often came to the office on weekends, to meet with clients or prepare for trial, dressed head-to-toe in bright orange. Mike was also an avid Titans and Red Sox fan.

Mike spoke frequently, and with great affection, of the Nashville School of Law, which had given him such a solid foundation of his 18-year legal career. He was very proud of his certification from National College of DUI Defense, of which he was a founding member. Mike was also a CPA, a certified tax attorney and in an earlier incarnation taught accounting at Austin Peay State University.

Music was an early and constant part of Mike's life. When he was younger, he had often played in venues from Nashville to Murfreesboro, and even as his law practice grew,

he could always be counted on to pick up his guitar and play. Besides his own breathalyzer, he kept in his office several guitars which he often and loudly played after hours. Our office is quieter and less fun without Mike. He also, until well into his 50s, kept up an enthusiastic and intense interest in competitive NBA softball.

Mike was perhaps best known for his most recent specialization in DUI defense, and his marketing of DUI Mike. This included radio advertising, his own radio show, television appearances and perhaps most famously (or infamously) poster advertising in some of the highest profile washrooms in middle Tennessee: in restaurants, bars, sports stadia. He took special pride in his high public profile, which he carefully cultivated. This high profile, however, sometimes deflected attention away from his masterful courtroom performances. He knew the law, he knew the facts, he knew how to examine and cross-examine witnesses and most important, he understood juries. It was a testament to Mike that his closest friends included prosecutors and police officers, even though he was consistently on the "other side" in the courtroom.

Mike has been, and will continue to be missed terribly by his children, Victor and Angela; his fiancé, Stephanie Sanders; his assistant, Stacy Dallas; his many friends, the legal community and his law partners who came to know him so well.

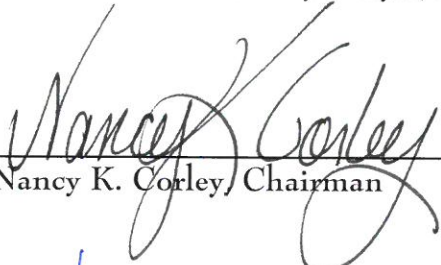
THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Nashville Bar Association that we honor the life and work of V. Michael Fox and mourn in his passing the loss of a loyal friend and able lawyer dedicated to the finest traditions of his profession.

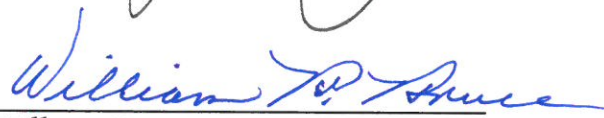
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Memorial Resolution be placed in the permanent records of the Association and entered in the "In Memoriam" minute book of


the Chancery Court of Davidson County, Tennessee, and that copies thereof be furnished to his children, Victor M. Fox and Angela K. Fox.

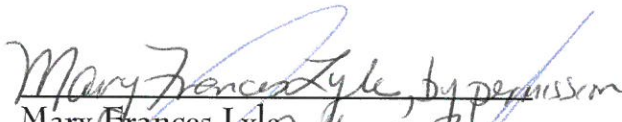
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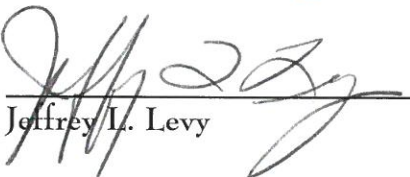

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