

**CHARLES EDWARD ALEXANDER**  
**NASHVILLE BAR ASSOCIATION MEMORIAL RESOLUTION**  
**PRESENTED ON NOVEMBER 17, 1994**

Charles Edward Alexander died on May 18, 1994, at fifty-eight years of age. He had been born in Marshall County, Alabama in 1935, one of five children of Mr. and Mrs. William Edward Alexander.

Charles Alexander married the former Eleanor Rich in 1958, and she survives him. He is also survived by the two sons born to them, Vic Alexander of Brentwood, and Max Alexander of Nashville, and by Vic's two daughters, Candace Alexander and Kristen Alexander. He is also survived by his mother, now Mrs. Mattie Barnes, and by his brothers, Clyde Alexander and Jerry Alexander, and his sisters, Linda Golden and Ann Phipps.

Charlie, as he was known to his friends, grew up in rural surroundings that lacked many of the material comforts taken for granted by most of us today, but he applied himself with the same energy and determination that characterized his later practice of law. After graduating from high school he enlisted in the United States Navy. After his tour of duty in the Navy, he enrolled in and obtained his Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Alabama, graduating in 1961. He financed his college education on the G.I. Bill and with a variety of

part-time jobs. Following graduation he went to work for the United States Treasury Department. During this phase of his career he served as a special agent in the Intelligence Division of the Internal Revenue Service. After being stationed in Birmingham and then Washington, D.C., he was transferred to Nashville. His work included undercover assignments and many exciting experiences in Nashville, Las Vegas and other locations, the details of which were not disclosed to his family and friends.

While employed by the Treasury Department, Charles Alexander decided to attend law school. He enrolled in the Nashville Y.M.C.A. Night Law School, now the Nashville School of Law. He graduated and was admitted to the Tennessee Bar in 1968. Leaving the Treasury Department, he first was associated with the firm of Lackey, Farrell and Harwood and practiced with that firm and later in association with other lawyers in Nashville until the time of his death.

Charlie was dedicated to his work as a lawyer. In his work habits, he was a member of the "old school." The setting sun never signaled the end of his work day. Saturday was normally the sixth day of the work week. Sundays and holidays were often a time to get ahead on work for the next week. In recent years, during several hospitalizations, he continued his active practice from the hospital. During his last illness and hospitalization, suffering from diabetes

and resulting complications, after coming out of a coma that had lasted several days, his first inquiry was about a brief that was almost due to be filed in the Tennessee Court of Appeals.

His law practice included extensive work in taxation, business counseling and litigation, domestic relations, personal injury and criminal law. Following his death, Charlie's clients expressed their loyalty and affection for him many times during the necessary process of assisting those clients in finding other lawyers to represent them. Charlie went to bat for his clients, whether in negotiating or litigating their cases. If he ever turned down a case, it was not because of complexity or other difficulty. He gave similar attention to his personal investments, which included at various times restaurants and rental properties with their inevitable problems.

Charles Alexander lived in Brentwood, where he was a member of Brentwood United Methodist Church. He was also a member of Glencoe Masonic Lodge in Glencoe, Alabama, and he was a director of the Nashville Zoo, which he helped organize. His professional associations included membership in the American and Tennessee Bar Associations as well as the Nashville Bar Association, and the American and Tennessee Trial Lawyers Associations.

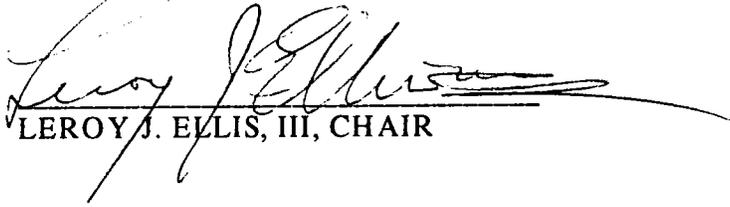
This dedicated lawyer leaves a devoted family and many clients, associates and friends who retain fond memories of him.

The members of the committee presenting this resolution on behalf of the Nashville Bar Association, express our sympathy to the family of Charles Edward Alexander as we remember his life. We ask that this resolution be entered in the records of the Nashville Bar Association and that copies be sent to the members of his immediate family.

Respectfully submitted:

  
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