

MEMORIAL RESOLUTION FOR

RALPH B. CHRISTIAN

1918-1996

Ralph B. Christian was born in 1918 in Dayton, Ohio. As a child, his family moved to Birmingham, Alabama. He attended the University of Alabama where he played varsity football for the Crimson Tide.

Ralph was one of those individuals who had the opportunity of having two successful careers. His first career was in the radio and television industry. This began in the 1930s in Birmingham, Alabama where he was a morning announcer at WBRC radio. In 1950, Ralph was among the first announcers at WSM television when it went on the air in Davidson County, Tennessee. While a Staff Announcer at WSM, he completed his studies at the Nashville School of Law.

After retiring from WSM, Ralph began an active legal practice in Davidson County, Tennessee with the same zeal and energy that he applied to his former broadcasting career. Ralph was a successful General Practitioner who never met a stranger nor failed to take a case of a client because it was too small. He never had an enemy and was well-liked by all.

Ralph served in the military in World War II. Afterwards, he was a member of the American Legion.

Ralph was a member of McKendree United Methodist Church.

Ralph died on Friday, December 13, 1996, and was survived by his wife, Marion Janelle Christian, and son, Ralph B. Christian, II, and granddaughter, Amanda Christian.

WHEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Nashville Bar Association that in the life

and record of Ralph B. Christian, as a member of the Nashville Bar, we and the City of Nashville generally have been honored and blessed, and in his passing we have sustained a grievous, personal loss; that this Memorial Resolution be placed in the permanent records of the Association and entered on the "In Memorium" Minute Book of the Chancery Court of Davidson County; and that copies thereof be furnished to members of Ralph B. Christian's family, Mrs. Ralph B. Christian and Ralph B. Christian, II.

This the 20th day of November, 1997.

CHANCELLOR

APPROVED FOR ENTRY:

Ralph B. Christian, Memorial Resolution Committee


SEN. DOUGLAS HENRY


JAMES G. STRANCH, III