### MEMORIAL SERVICE

# IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO



March 3, 2022 Boise, Idaho

### JUSTICE RESIDENCE CITY DECEASED

Hon. Charles F. McDevitt Boise May 29, 2021

### JUDGES RESIDENCE CITY DECEASED

Hon. Stephen DrescherCaldwellJuly 5, 2021Hon. James Lee MartschBlackfootAugust 18, 2021Hon. Don L. HardingSoda SpringsNovember 17, 2021Hon. Dar CogswellSandpointDecember 5, 2021



### ATTORNEYS RESIDENCE CITY DECEASED

Spokane, WA	July 3, 2020
Vancouver, WA	November 11, 2020
Caldwell	January 3, 2021
Mackay	February 9, 2021
Twin Falls	February 14, 2021
Boise	February 23, 2021
McCall	March 14, 2021
Ashland, WI	March 17, 2021
Coeur d' Alene	March 22, 2021
Boise	April 3, 2021
Hayden	April 3, 2021
Idaho Falls	April 23, 2021
Sheridan, MT	May 30, 2021
Wilder	June 8, 2021
Boise	June 9, 2021
Boise	June 28, 2021
Boise	July 3, 2021
Boise	July 18, 2021
Hayden	September 10, 2021
Ammon	September 11, 2021
Spokane, WA	September 14, 2021
Maricopa, AZ	September 26, 2021
Rupert	September 27, 2021
Boise	October 12, 2021
Boise	October 19, 2021
Post Falls	October 20, 2021
Pocatello	October 28, 2021
Idaho Falls	November 21, 2021
Idaho Falls	December 6, 2021
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### **JUSTICE**

### **RESOLUTION**

#### A Resolution in Memory of

### HONORABLE CHARLES FRANCIS McDevitt, Deceased 1932 – 2021

SUPREME COURT JUSTICE

# MOTION IN MEMORIAL TO THE HONORABLE JUSTICES OF THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO

The undersigned, a member of the Memorial Service Committee appointed by this Court, respectfully submits the following resolution:

WHEREAS, with this Special Memorial Resolution, we gratefully acknowledge **Charles Francis McDevitt's** service and devotion to the Idaho Judiciary, legal profession and the pursuit of justice, and affirm our commitment to those principles and ideals, which always guided our departed colleague.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that this Honorable Court, the committee, and the members of the Bar do now offer our permanent tribute to departed member, **Charles Francis McDevitt**, in sincere recognition and appreciation of his outstanding service to this State and Nation, and pause for a moment in honor and fond remembrance.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution be recorded upon the minutes and records of this Court, to serve as a perpetual remembrance in honor and respect to this deserving individual.

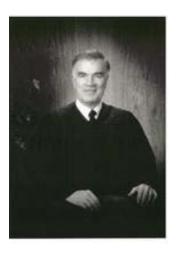
AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we extend to his family our sincere sympathy and that the Clerk of this Court send a copy of this Resolution to the family as a memorialization of this date.

Respectfully submitted this 3rd day of March, 2022.

Hon. Linda Ćopple Trout, Senior

Justice

### **O**BITUARY



THE HONORABLE CHARLES F. McDevitt 1932 – 2021

Charles "Chuck" McDevitt was born on January 5, 1932, in Pocatello, Idaho. Throughout his life he strove to make this world a better place by the time he left it.

Starting with newspaper delivery in grade school, Chuck worked throughout his early years while at St. Joseph's Catholic School and Pocatello High School. Upon graduation from high school, he attended Idaho State University where he and his partner won the Western Regional Debate Tournament held at Stanford University. Chuck transferred to the University of Idaho the following year and won the tournament again in 1952. While at the University of Idaho he served on the Board of Directors of the student government, the ASUI.

Chuck served in the United States Army from 1952 until his honorable discharge in 1954 with the rank of corporal. Returning to the University of Idaho, he earned his law degree in 1956 and was admitted to practice law before all state and federal courts in Idaho. During that time, Chuck met and married the love of his life, Virginia "Ginny" Heller, with whom he would go on to share seven children.

In December of 1956, Chuck and Ginny moved to Boise, where he joined the law firm of Richards, Haga and Eberle, as an associate. From 1962 to 1968, Chuck served as an officer for Boise Cascade as General Counsel, Secretary and Vice-President. While he was with Boise Cascade, he also served as a member of the Idaho State Legislature - from 1963 through 1966. During his terms in the Legislature, Chuck assisted in writing and establishing a state sales tax to help fund education.

In 1968, Chuck and his family moved to New York when he was recruited to become President of Beck Industries, a shoe manufacturing and retailing company. Two years later, he became Group Vice President of the Singer Company and was subsequently elected as Executive Vice President and a member of the Executive Committee of Singer, overseeing billion-dollar enterprises.

Desiring a return to Idaho values and to the practice of law that he had always enjoyed, Chuck came back to Boise with his family in 1976 and he became the Ada County Public Defender. In

1978, along with Raymond Givens, Ken Pursley and Jay Webb, he founded the law firm of Givens, McDevitt, Pursley and Webb, which continues to this date under the name of Givens Pursley.

Governor Cecil Andrus appointed Chuck to fill a vacancy on the Idaho Supreme Court in July, 1989. In February of 1993, he was elected by his fellow Justices to become Chief Justice of the Idaho Supreme Court, a position he held from 1993 to 1997. Upon leaving the Court in 1997, Chuck joined with DJ "Joe" Miller to form McDevitt and Miller, LLP, where he practiced until 2018. He continued his work as a lawyer until shortly before his death.

Throughout his life, Chuck exemplified what it means to be an active contributor to his profession and community. He served on numerous committees including the Ninth Circuit Grand Jury Reform Committee, the Supreme Court Advisory Committee, the Governor's Blue Ribbon Tax Committee, Government Ethics Committee, State Select Committee on Campaign Ethics and Campaign Finance, and State Select Committee on Legislative Compensation. He also served in an executive capacity with many organizations including President of the Boise Inn of the American Inns of Court, Director of the Idaho Foundation for Parks and Lands, Director of the YMCA and the National Recreation Parks Association.

Chuck was involved with expanding the regional Les Bois Soccer Tournament and in designing and building the 161-acre complex later named the Simplot Sports Complex. He served as a Commissioner for many years on the Boise Parks and Recreation Board. He was part of the formation of the Ridge to Rivers joint operation committee and he also served as Chairman of the Foothills Conservation Advisory Committee, which protected more than ten thousand acres of land around Boise. In recognition of his many efforts to preserve public parks and advocate for places for children to recreate, the Charles F. McDevitt Youth Sports Complex was named after him.

In his spare time, Chuck grew alfalfa in his fields, raised goats and tended to beehives which produced Sweet Justice honey. He became a terrific cook, cherishing gatherings around the family tables. And there was always a treat in his jacket pocket for the dogs.

No favor was too great nor need too small. He was always there, with words of encouragement, an approving nod, insightful questions, a helping hand, leadership and if necessary, the quiet dollar.

*The Honorable Charles Francis McDevitt*, 89, passed away on May 29, 2021.

# **J**UDGES

### **RESOLUTIONS**

#### A Resolution in Memory of

### HONORABLE STEPHEN WESLEY DRESCHER, DECEASED 1949 – 2021

DISTRICT JUDGE - THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

MOTION IN MEMORIAL
TO THE HONORABLE JUSTICES OF THE
SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO

The undersigned, a member of the Memorial Service Committee appointed by this Court, respectfully submits the following resolution:

WHEREAS, with this Special Memorial Resolution, we gratefully acknowledge Stephen Wesley Drescher's service and devotion to the Idaho Judiciary, legal profession and the pursuit of justice, and affirm our commitment to those principles and ideals, which always guided our departed colleague.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that this Honorable Court, the committee, and the members of the Bar do now offer our permanent tribute to departed member, **Stephen Wesley Drescher**, in sincere recognition and appreciation of his outstanding service to this State and Nation, and pause for a moment in honor and fond remembrance.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution be recorded upon the minutes and records of this Court, to serve as a perpetual remembrance in honor and respect to this deserving individual.

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we extend to his family our sincere sympathy and that the Clerk of this Court send a copy of this Resolution to the family as a memorialization of this date.

Respectfully submitted this 3rd day of March, 2022.

Terry Michaelson

#### A Resolution in Memory of

### HONORABLE JAMES LEE MARTSCH, DECEASED 1942 – 2021

MAGISTRATE JUDGE - SEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

# MOTION IN MEMORIAL TO THE HONORABLE JUSTICES OF THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO

The undersigned, a member of the Memorial Service Committee appointed by this Court, respectfully submits the following resolution:

WHEREAS, with this Special Memorial Resolution, we gratefully acknowledge **James Lee Martsch's** service and devotion to the Idaho Judiciary, legal profession and the pursuit of justice, and affirm our commitment to those principles and ideals, which always guided our departed colleague.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that this Honorable Court, the committee, and the members of the Bar do now offer our permanent tribute to departed member, **James Lee Martsch**, in sincere recognition and appreciation of his outstanding service to this State and Nation, and pause for a moment in honor and fond remembrance.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution be recorded upon the minutes and records of this Court, to serve as a perpetual remembrance in honor and respect to this deserving individual.

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we extend to his family our sincere sympathy and that the Clerk of this Court send a copy of this Resolution to the family as a memorialization of this date.

Respectfully submitted this 3rd day of March, 2022.

Dwight Baker, Attorney at Law

#### A Resolution in Memory of

HONORABLE DON LEWIS HARDING, DECEASED 1937 – 2021

DISTRICT JUDGE - SIXTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

MOTION IN MEMORIAL
TO THE HONORABLE JUSTICES OF THE
SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO

The undersigned, a member of the Memorial Service Committee appointed by this Court, respectfully submits the following resolution:

WHEREAS, with this Special Memorial Resolution, we gratefully acknowledge **Don Lewis Harding's** service and devotion to the Idaho Judiciary, legal profession and the pursuit of justice, and affirm our commitment to those principles and ideals, which always guided our departed colleague.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that this Honorable Court, the committee, and the members of the Bar do now offer our permanent tribute to departed member, **Don Lewis Harding**, in sincere recognition and appreciation of his outstanding service to this State and Nation, and pause for a moment in honor and fond remembrance.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution be recorded upon the minutes and records of this Court, to serve as a perpetual remembrance in honor and respect to this deserving individual.

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we extend to his family our sincere sympathy and that the Clerk of this Court send a copy of this Resolution to the family as a memorialization of this date.

Respectfully submitted this 3rd day of March, 2022.

HON. MITCHELL W. BROWN

District Judge

### A Resolution in Memory of

#### HONORABLE DAR COGSWELL, DECEASED

1927-2021

DISTRICT JUDGE - FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

# MOTION IN MEMORIAL To THE HONORABLE JUSTICES OF THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO

The undersigned, a member of the Memorial Service Committee appointed by this Court, respectfully submits the following resolution:

LET IT BE REMEMBERED that District Judge **Dar Cogswell** served with great distinction. He treated everyone who was in his court with respect, regardless of whether they were defendants, jurors, witnesses, attorneys or court employees. He was everything that a judge should be: he listened carefully, was thoughtful and wise, humble yet confident. **Judge Cogswell** was revered by attorneys for his wisdom, patient demeanor, and judicial courage.

His written decisions demonstrated a keen intellect. He was well aware of the role of the courts in solving disputes in our society. He did not editorialize and did not try to solve all of the problems a case presented; he addressed only those issues that required intervention. In his decisions he recognized that individuals who were basically good could make poor choices. He was a humanitarian that was aware of the fragile balance that existed between individual rights, statutes, and common law.

In my twenty-six years as a practicing attorney, after appearing before him on hundreds of occasions, trying many court and jury trials, I had no doubt that **Dar Cogswell** was the best judge I ever appeared before. Because of who he was and the example he set, he inspired me to become a District Judge.

WHEREAS, with this Special Memorial Resolution, we gratefully acknowledge **Dar Cogswell's** service and devotion to the Idaho Judiciary, legal profession and the pursuit of justice, and affirm our commitment to those principles and ideals, which always guided our departed colleague.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that this Honorable court, the committee, and the members of the Bar do now offer our permanent tribute to departed member, **Dar Cogswell**, in sincere recognition and appreciation of his outstanding service to this State and Nation, and pause for a moment in honor and fond remembrance.

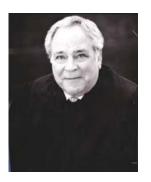
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution be recorded upon the minutes and records of this Court, to serve as a perpetual remembrance in honor and respect to this deserving individual.

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we extend to his family our sincere sympathy and that the Clerk of this Court send a copy of this Resolution to the family as a memorialization of this date.

Respectfully submitted this 3rd day of March, 2022.

Steve Verby, District Judge

# **O**BITUARIES



THE HONORABLE STEPHEN DRESCHER
1949 – 2021

Stephen Wesley Drescher was born on September 9, 1949 in Alton, Illinois. He was the only child of Richard (Gib) Drescher and Jane Hartshourne Drescher. Steve enjoyed academics and athletics alike. He developed a love for golf, playing often with his father. He shared an enduring bond with his mother.

Steve served as Class President at Alton High School, but it was at Western Illinois University where he developed a passion for the law. He fondly recalled his fraternity brothers and often recounted his memories as a Leatherneck. (A Western Illinois alum, not a United States Marine)

Upon graduation, Steve entered Saint Louis University School of Law. He began his legal career with Legal Aid. He met Constance Taylor and the two of them came to Idaho to visit college friends in 1976. They threw caution to the winds, quit their jobs, got married at the Ada County Courthouse, and moved to a small farmhouse south of Nampa.

Canyon County Prosecutor Jamie Morfitt hired Steve as a deputy prosecutor in 1977. Within a few years, Steve was appointed as a magistrate. In the meantime, Steve and Connie were blessed with two children: Anna and Rob, whom Steve affectionately referred to as "Tink" (short for Tinkerbell) and "The Robster". His children remember him as a loving and doting father involved in their academic and athletic activities. Steve took great pride in his kids, teaching them the value of hard work and honesty. Like his father before him, Steve passed on to his own son a passion for golf, and the two spent countless hours traveling, playing and watching golf together.

After 12 years on the bench, Steve joined the Nampa law firm of Hamilton, Clark and Michaelson. Eventually, he was persuaded to return to the bench as a district judge in the Third Judicial District, where he served with distinction until his retirement.

Later in life, Steve and Connie divorced. After a few years, he married Cassandra Gray. They spent several years together traveling, attending concerts and enjoying each other's humor.

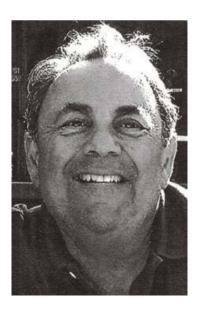
Steve will be remembered for his brilliance, humor and generosity. He possessed an unparalleled command of the English language. His vocabulary was such that even the most erudite would be sent scurrying for a dictionary to fully comprehend conversations with him. Steve had a quick wit,

a dry humor and a contagious laugh. He could captivate an audience, leave them in stitches, and may well have believed that a career as a standup comedian would be his safety net should his legal career stall.

Despite the demands of job and family, Steve gave generously of his time, to causes he deemed worthy. He was active for many years with Big Brothers, Big Sisters of Idaho, serving as a mentor to underprivileged youth. He served on the board of the Humane Society and participated in many other civic activities, including Paint the Town. Steve enjoyed frequent road trips with his closest friends, attending a multitude of sporting events, including the NFL, MLB, NCAA football, the PGA, WPGA, and NASCAR. His favorite team was the Arizona Cardinals, whom he had followed since childhood from Chicago to St. Louis to Phoenix. He loved the Big Red, and lamented their woeful lack of postseason success, which he attributed to poor ownership and management.

Steve passed away on July 5, 2021. He is survived by his daughter, Anna Van Vliet and her husband, Brent; his son, Rob and his wife, Nicole; his grandchildren Annika and Hugo; and his faithful dog, Meeso. He will be deeply missed but fondly remembered by his family and his many friends.

*The Honorable Stephen Drescher*, 71, passed away on July 5, 2021.



THE HONORABLE JAMES LEE MARTSCH 1942 – 2021

James Martsch was born March 24, 1942, in Burley. As a child, he helped his dad on the family farm while attending Minico High School, graduating in 1960. He went on to Utah State University where he earned a degree in agriculture then completed a law degree at the University of Idaho in 1967.

After graduation, he clerked for one year for Federal Judge Ray McNichols. In 1968 he was hired by Blackfoot attorneys, William Furchner and J. Blaine Anderson, where he practiced law. In 1980 he was appointed Bingham County Magistrate Judge until his retirement.

Jim was a lifetime member of the Idaho Bar Association, B.P.O.E. 1460 for 50 years, and Blackfoot Exchange Club.

A colleague of Jim's wrote: "Some characteristics of Jim that stick out for me are these: smart, compassionate, witty, wise, diligent, protective, loyal and inclusive. He always encouraged parties to seek their own solutions over the strictures of court evidence. He was always courteous and respectful. Jim not only enjoyed the practice and adjudication of the law but was a student of it. He kept up on the latest appellate court cases and loved the nuances of the law. He didn't want to bore people with his knowledge of the law but when asked a question, his depth and breadth of knowledge were amazing."

Jim wore many hats. He was a gourmet cook, connoisseur of good (or bad) scotch, golfer, card player, gardener, and friend. He could always be found in his armchair doing the latest crossword puzzle. He enjoyed the companionship of his animals including dogs, cats, chickens, a pig, and a donkey named Walter.

*The Honorable James Lee Martsch*, 79, passed away on August 18, 2021.



THE HONORABLE DON LEWIS HARDING 1937 - 2021

Don Lewis Harding was born on September 13, 1937 in St. Anthony, Idaho. His father, Ralph William Harding, was a farmer and educator. His mother, Kathryn Olson Harding, was a homemaker. Don was the second youngest of 7 children and grew up on a family farm in Malad, Idaho. The Harding family was extremely close, family was everything to Don. His parents raised their family with an emphasis on hard work and integrity. Despite this ethic and a strict father, Don and his brother were extremely mischievous. On one occasion as children Don and his brother Bob participated in an exhibition boxing match. It depended upon who you talked to whether Don or Bob won the boxing match, but the exhibition match was exciting enough that the spectators threw their spare change into the boxing ring. Bob attempted to pick up the coins with his gloves, but Don quickly unlaced and removed his gloves and certainly collected more of the spare change thrown into the ring than his brother Bob, filling his boxing gloves up with loose change.

Don graduated from Malad High School in 1955 and was active in sports. His love of and participation in sports continued in college. Don played football at BYU his freshman year. He later transferred to Snow College, playing both football and participating in boxing. However, Don's collegiate years were set aside by a brief service in the United States Army, followed by a mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints in England and Scotland.

Following the completion of his church service, Don assisted his brother, Ralph Harding, in his campaign to be elected to United States House of Representatives. When his brother was elected to this prestigious national office, he told Don that he could not hire him due to the House of Representatives Rules on nepotism, Ralph told him to go see Idaho Senator, Frank Church. Senator Church came through and helped Don obtain employment as an elevator operator on the Senate side of the Capitol and he later served as a Capitol Hill police officer. Don continued his education at George Washington University, obtaining a degree in accounting. Don then pursued his JD at George Washington University, while working as an accountant for the prestigious accounting firm Ernst and Whinney.

It was during these Washington D.C. days that Don met his wife and companion, Janet Louise Riggle, at a church basketball game. Don gave Janet a ride home in his Red MG sports car. The Harding family, to this day debates whether Janet first fell in love with Don or the red sports car. Janet and Don were married three (3) times, twice on the same day: first in a civil ceremony, then in a church ceremony. Finally they were married in Salt Lake City Temple about one year later.

Don began his post-law school career at Tracy-Collins Bank and Trust in Salt Lake City, Utah working as a Trust Officer. Wanting to return home to Idaho, Don moved his young family back to Malad working as both an attorney and CPA. He later moved his family to Soda Springs, Idaho where he was appointed to serve as a Sixth District Magistrate Judge in 1977. After serving in this capacity for six (6) years, Judge Harding returned to private practice until he was appointed as a district judge for the Sixth Judicial District in 1993, chambered in Soda Springs, Idaho. Judge Harding served in this capacity for fifteen (15) years presiding in Caribou, Franklin, Bear Lake, Oneida and Bannock Counties. Upon retirement in 2008, Judge Harding continued to serve as a Senior Judge, and also served a second mission for his church in Warsaw, Poland, this time with his wife, Janet.

Judge Harding, passed away on November 17, 2021 at the age of 84 years. He lived a momentous life with distinguished careers as a jurist, in the law and accounting. Don was a devout member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints. His life was a life of service, serving two (2) missions, also serving as a bishop, high counselor and nursery leader. Don and Janet are the progenitors of nine (9) children, twenty-seven (27) grandchildren, and two (2) great-grandchildren, with a third on the way. As stated earlier – family was everything to Don Harding and his family is truly his greatest legacy.

The Honorable Don Lewis Harding, 84, passed away on November 17, 2021.



THE HONORABLE DAR COGSWELL
1927 - 2021

Dar was born on October 23, 1927 in Coeur d'Alene. He graduated from Coeur d'Alene High School where he excelled in sports, being named to the All State Basketball Team in 1946. Immediately after graduating from high school, Dar enlisted in the United States Army and served in Germany and Austria.

After returning to the United States, Dar enrolled in the University of Idaho where he earned a law degree in 1953 and opened his law practice in Coeur d'Alene with an associate.

An opportunity presented itself in 1955 to live in Sandpoint, his favorite place of all in our great state, and to form another law partnership that lasted for 13 years. During this time Dar served as city attorney and school board attorney while also practicing general law in Sandpoint. In 1967 he was elected a State of Idaho District Judge and held this office for over twenty years, retiring from the bench in 1987. During this time, Dar, on occasion, served as Justice *pro tem* on the Idaho Supreme Court, was elected President of the District Judges Association and was a 13-year member of the Idaho Judicial Council. As a member of the Judicial Council he participated in the nomination of three Supreme Court Justices, eight district court judges, and the original three justices of the newly formed appellate court. Upon retirement from the bench he again practiced law until his final retirement in 1994.

Some of his proudest achievements were receiving the Professional Award from the Idaho State Bar, attaining a 50-year membership to the State Bar Association, serving as a Charter Member of Sandpoint Rotary Club and being a member of the First Lutheran Church.

Dar was a family man, enjoying traveling and an assortment of outdoor activities with his wife, children, and grandchildren, including salmon fishing on Vancouver Island, cross-country jaunts to most of the 50 states, early morning duck hunts, and enjoying the beauty that our country offers.

The Honorable Dar Cogswell, 94, passed away on December 5, 2021.

### **ATTORNEYS**

### **RESOLUTION**

### IDAHO SUPREME COURT MEMORIAL SERVICE March 3, 2022

We, the undersigned members of the Memorial Service Committee appointed by the Court for the year 2022, respectfully submit the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, the Supreme Court of the State of Idaho has designated March 3, 2022, at 10:00 a.m., as the time and place fixed to memorialize the passing of those worthy members of the State Bar of Idaho and to acknowledge the substantial contributions made by each of them during their lifetimes to the defense of freedom and the pursuit of justice, the perpetuation and improvement of our government of laws, and the orderly process of constitutional government; and,

WHEREAS, with this Memorial Resolution, we gratefully acknowledge their outstanding service and devotion to the legal profession and the pursuit of justice, and we affirm our own commitment to those principals and ideals, which always guided our departed colleagues,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we, this Honorable Court and the members of its Bar, as the names of the Judges and Attorneys who have departed are presented for lasting recognition, do now offer our permanent tribute to those departed members in sincere recognition and appreciation of their outstanding service to this state and nation and pause for a moment in honor and fond remembrance:

<u>Justices</u>	Residence City	<b>Deceased</b>
Hon. Charles F. McDevitt	Boise	29 May 2021
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<u>Judges</u>	Residence City	Deceased
Hon. Stephen Drescher	Caldwell	05 July 2021
Hon. James Lee Martsch	Blackfoot	18 August 2021
Hon. Don L. Harding	Soda Springs	17 November 2021
Hon. Dar Cogswell	Sandpoint	05 December 2021

Attorneys	Residence City	<b>Deceased</b>
Donald "Kit" Querna	Spokane, WA	03 July 2020
Stanley J. Cieslewicz	Vancouver, WA	11 November 2020
Richard Eismann	Caldwell	03 January 2021
Robert Tim Daley	Mackay	<b>09 February 2021</b>
Joseph S. Stanzak	Twin Falls	14 February 2021
Richard Anderson	Boise	23 February 2021
John O. Fitzgerald	McCall	14 March 2021
H. Craig Haukaas	Ashland, WI	17 March 2021
Cope R. Gale	Coeur d'Alene	22 March 2021
Stephen Gledhill	Boise	03 April 2021
<b>Terrance Ricky Harris</b>	Hayden	03 April 2021
<b>Charles Timothy Hopkins</b>	Idaho Falls	23 April 2021
Ronald J. Jarman	Sheridan, MT	30 May 2021
Virginia DeMeyer	Wilder	08 June 2021
Richard Toothman	Boise	09 June 2021
Joseph E. Karpach, Jr.	Boise	28 June 2021
Robert W. Curtis	Boise	03 July 2021
Wilbur T. Nelson	Boise	18 July 2021
Starr Kelso	Hayden	10 September 2021
H. Larry Spilker	Ammon	11 September 2021
<b>Gregory Gerald Jones</b>	Spokane, WA	14 September 2021
Leo P. Shishmanian	Maricopa, AZ	26 September 2021
Robert M. Nielsen	Rupert	27 September 2021
Mitchell Reyes Aguilar	Boise	12 October 2021
Stephen L. Beer	Boise	19 October 2021
Suzanna L. Graham	Post Falls	20 October 2021
Mark L. Hiedeman	Pocatello	28 October 2021
Stephen Lynn Ball	<b>Idaho Falls</b>	<b>21 November 2021</b>
Stephen Martin	Idaho Falls	06 December 2021

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution be recorded upon the minutes and records of this Court to serve as a perpetual remembrance in honor and respect to those deserving individuals;

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we extend to their families our sincere sympathy and that the Clerk of this Court send a copy of this Resolution to the family of each individual whose passing is memorialized on this date.

### DATED this 3rd day of March, 2022.

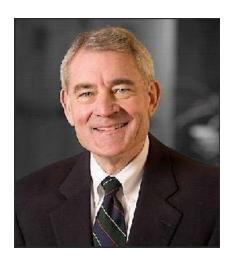
Hon. Roger S. Burdick, Chairperson

Hon. Jim Jones

William F. (Bud) Yost

Dennis Cain

# **O**BITUARIES



DONALD KITZINGER QUERNA 1945 – 2020

Donald "Kit" Querna was a proud graduate of Roosevelt Elementary, Lewis and Clark High School in Spokane and Stanford University, where he earned a bachelor of science degree and Masters of Business Administration.

Kit attended Willamette University College of Law where he earned a *juris doctorate*; and New York University School of Law, where he earned an LLM in taxation. He served on faculty for one year, then taught for many years as an adjunct professor in the Gonzaga University School of Law's tax program.

Kit was privileged to practice business, tax and estate planning law for four decades in Spokane. He was always grateful for his colleagues at the firm for their confidence and collegiality, and the trust of his corporate and personal clients.

Throughout his life, he retained his gift for explaining complex issues with clarity and enjoyed answering questions about intricacies of law and business. His wisdom was deep, though he always remained modest in his erudition.

His humor was wry, his love encompassing, and his hug warm. Kit was at home in nature, especially in the mountains and streams of Idaho and western Montana.

Donald Kitzinger Querna, passed away on July 3, 2020.

### STANLEY J. CIESLEWICZ 1956 - 2021

Stanley Cieslewicz was born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin on December 8, 1956. After graduation from high school, Stan attended Ripon College in Ripon, Wisconsin and later graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in Foreign Service from Georgetown University, Washington, D.C. In 1982, Stan received his Doctor of Jurisprudence from the University of Idaho, Moscow.

Stan first commissioned as an officer in the United States Army Adjutant General's Corps in 1982. Subsequently, he transferred to the Judge Advocate General's Corps, graduating from the Judge Advocate Officer Basic Course in 1983. For the next four years, Stan served in a variety of positions at the United States Army Armament, Munitions and Chemical Command at Rock Island, Illinois, in Korea, and at Fort Lewis. After Stan left active duty in 1988, he worked as a civilian attorney for the United States Army Corps of Engineers in the Seattle District. He moved to Germany for the first time in 1990, when the United States Army Contracting Command-Europe hired him as Regional Counsel in Fuerth, Germany. In 1993, Stan left Germany to take a job as Regional Counsel, Defense Commissary Agency, Northwest/Pacific Division, Fort Lewis, Washington. However, after three years, he returned to Germany as the Regional Counsel, United States Army Contract Command Europe, Grafenwoehr, Germany. In 1998, the United States Army Europe Office of the Judge Advocate, then in Heidelberg, Germany, hired Stan as an Attorney-Advisor in the Contract and Fiscal Law Division (KFLD). Stan moved with the Headquarters from Heidelberg to Wiesbaden in 2014 and remained with KFLD until his retirement in June 2019.

Concurrently with his assignments as a civilian attorney, Stan served as an Army Reserve Officer first in the Army and then in the Air Force Reserves, working in a variety of positions in both organizations. Stan retired from the Air Force Reserves as a Lt. Colonel in 2010, with over 28 years of both active and reserve service.

Over the course of his 37 years of Government service, Stan provided legal support on thousands of procurement actions worth billions of dollars. In fact, his career in Europe spanned several key events to which he contributed valuable legal advice to United States Army Europe, such as responding to Saddam Hussein's invasion of Kuwait, operations in the Balkans, and Vladimir Putin's invasion of Ukraine. Stan was an acknowledged expert on many facets of contract and fiscal law. Of note, he was the United States Army Europe expert on Acquisition and Cross Servicing Agreements (ACSA) and for many years, provided invaluable insight to United States Army Europe command and staff in the execution of its expansive ACSA program. Importantly, over the course of his career, Stan also trained and mentored dozens of attorneys and junior officers. He was always willing to use his nearly four decades of acquisition experience to train and develop the next generation of attorneys.

But beyond being an iconic attorney within the contract and fiscal community, Stan was also a great colleague and friend. Whether it was sharing stories about his travels to Spain, discussing the requirements for an ACSA order, filling in the legal history behind why things are the way they are in United States Army Europe, or playing the "Cieslewicz song" for every new attorney, Stan was a fixture in this world and is sorely missed.



RICHARD B. EISMANN 1924 - 2021

Growing up in Grants Pass, Oregon, Dick worked on his father's ranch located along the Rogue River. At a very young age, he aspired to be a lawyer. He had a love for debate and won the State of Oregon debate championship in 1940. After graduating from high school in 1941, he attended the University of Oregon.

During World War II, Dick joined the Naval Reserve attaining the rank of Lt. J.G. He was transferred to various locations in the United States and trained to be an air traffic control officer on an aircraft carrier. Just before he was to ship out to the Pacific Theater, the war ended.

With the war ending, Dick returned to the University of Oregon. He graduated from their School of Law in 1949 and passed bars in both Oregon and Idaho. After passing both bars, Dick decided to move his family to Homedale.

Dick loved the practice of law and created a successful solo practice. He embraced technology early on with the IBM Magnetic Card Selectric Typewriter and created numerous programmed legal documents that could be easily modified.

He always took time to mentor young attorneys. An attorney noted at one time that Dick "had the practice of law down to a science." IBM also took notice and sent a representative from New York to see what he'd done. They asked him to work for them creating a similar system to be marketed to law offices. Dick declined. He loved practicing law and "did not want to advertise for IBM."

Dick was very involved in the Homedale community, but after a fire above his office in Homedale in 1985, he built a new office on Caldwell Boulevard where it remains today.

Richard Eismann, 96, passed away on January 3, 2021.

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#### ROBERT TIM DALEY 1938 – 2021

Robert Tim Daley was born in Jerome and lived in the Magic Valley most of his life.

Tim graduated from the University of Idaho with a bachelor's degree in business, a master's degree in accounting, and a *juris doctorate* from the University's School of Law.

Tim moved to Boise after graduation, working first as an accountant, then CPA, and later a lawyer.

He worked for the Ada County Prosecutor and was a partner in law firms before branching out on his own. He also had a practice in accounting, which he then carried to Ketchum and finally to Mackay.

Robert Tim Daley, 83, passed away on February 9, 2021.

#### JOSEPH STANZAK 1953 – 2021

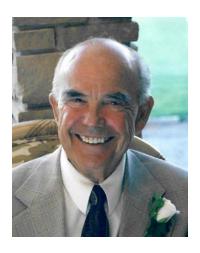
Joe grew up in Michigan on the water where his passion for fishing was established. His family moved to southern California where he pursued athletics – wrestling and playing tennis at Cal State Fullerton.

He graduated from the University of Idaho College of Law in 1984 and was a local attorney. Due to health concerns, Joe closed his practice but maintained his license for his many family and friends that needed advice... or didn't.

Joe was not afraid to tell it like it is or show you the right way of doing things. He was a man of strong opinion, argument, and laughter. He was known to repeat phrases like, "you can walk over here but you'll be limpin' back; learn good things; and be happy, healthy and safe."

Joe was a dog whisperer with many talents from playing and singing guitar, reloading ammunition, to leatherwork and woodworking. He was famous for his sourdough bread though he had to paint the house with flour to make it.

Joseph S. Stanzak, 67, passed away on February 14, 2021.



RICHARD ANDERSON 1930 - 2021

Richard J.T. Anderson was born June 25, 1930, in Mountain Home.

Richard was a respected attorney in Boise for over 65 years and was known by his friends and close family as "Dick" Anderson. Richard was born in Mountain Home. Several years later, his family moved to Boise. He attended the neighborhood schools and later graduated from Boise High School in 1948. He attended Boise Junior College and later the University of Idaho School of Law, graduating with his *juris doctorate* degree in 1954.

Dick grew up enjoying a variety of adventures. He was a boy scout and enjoyed many activities including, camping, fishing, and hunting and shared stories of many of his youthful experiences.

During his years in college, Dick talked of one of his summer jobs based at a ranger station high in the mountains of Idaho. The area sheriff deputized him while he was stationed there, as he would often be the only person of "authority" in the immediate area to respond to a situation. He was a member of the Delta Chi fraternity and an active member of college service groups. His community service involvement continued in the years after college and it fascinated his kids every time they drove past Lucky Peak Dam, to think of him climbing along the rocky face of the dam painting "Keep Idaho Green."

After receiving his law degree and passing the bar, Dick joined his father's esteemed law firm, Anderson Kaufman, and began a long career in law, eventually specializing in trusts, estate, real estate and business law. He was known by his clients as a gentleman and man of his word who worked to serve their legal needs with exactness and integrity. As many of his clients grew older and needed extra help, he would step beyond the business-like role as attorney and became a caring friend and guardian.

Richard Anderson, 90, passed away on February 23, 2021.

### John O. Fitzgerald

1939 - 2021

John O. Fitzgerald was born on July 18, 1939 in Moscow.

After graduating from Moscow High School in 1957, John attended the University of Idaho where he was a member of the Delta Tau Delta fraternity. He earned a Bachelor of Science degree in business and accounting and continued his education graduating in 1965 with a *juris doctorate* degree from the University of Idaho.

John moved his family to the Treasure Valley, ultimately settling and establishing his private law practice in Meridian. After practicing law for many years, he retired from the practice of law in 1999. Although retired, John maintained his license with the Idaho State Bar, and would share his profound knowledge of the law (which in certain courts was known as the law according to John) and his insights to a successful practice.

John O. Fitzgerald, 81, passed away on March 14, 2021.



H. CRAIG HAUKAAS

1962 - 2021

H. Craig Haukaas was born in 1962 in Grand Forks, North Dakota. He attended school in Ashland and continued his education at Northland College and the University of Idaho-Moscow College of Law.

Craig was an avid outdoorsman, enjoyed traveling, and working his ranch. He was a dedicated attorney and member of several community organizations.

H. Craig Haukaas, 58, passed away on March 17, 2021.



COPE R. GALE 1920 - 2021

Cope Gale was born in1920 in Spokane. His family moved to Moscow in 1921 where he attended school, graduating from high school in 1938. Cope attended the University of Idaho and Whitman College for two years and also served in the Idaho National Guard, Air Force ROTC and the United States Navy from 1940-1945.

Upon earning his bachelor's degree from University of Idaho, Cope joined the United States Navy. After being discharged, he taught school in St. Maries for a year and then returned to Moscow to attend law school. He received his *juris doctorate* degree in law in 1949. Cope then became the city attorney for St. Maries and the county prosecutor for both Benewah and Latah counties.

In 1954, the family moved back to Moscow, where Cope took over an established law practice and, in 1959, he formed a new partnership with two other attorneys

Cope was a lifetime member of the American Legion in Moscow and Coeur d'Alene and served in leadership positions, including State Commander from 1974-75. He was also a lifetime member of the Elks Lodge in St. Maries.

During retirement, Cope enjoyed golf, traveling and dancing. He was adamant about sports, especially baseball and University of Idaho Vandal football. He loved having coffee and visiting with his friends at the American Legion Post 14 in Coeur d'Alene.

Cope R. Gale, 101, passed away on March 22, 2021.



STEPHEN GLEDHILL 1952 - 2021

Stephen Gledhill was a native Idahoan. He was born in Pocatello and at a young age, his family moved to Buhl.

After several years in Buhl, Steve's father transferred to Caldwell so the family relocated again. Steve attended Caldwell High School and graduated in 1971. While there, he lettered in all sports and graduated in the top ten of his class.

He declined an invitation to attend rookie camp for either the San Francisco Giants or the New York Yankees after graduating high school and chose rather to attend the College of Idaho. He graduated first in his class in 1975 and received numerous academic awards and scholarships while there and was a Rhodes Scholar nominee. After graduation, Steve accepted a fully funded fellowship to attend Duke University and upon completion of that program returned to Idaho where he attended the University of Idaho School of Law. He practiced law from 1979 until his retirement in 2013.

Steve was proud of the fact that he had the highest peer review rating available to a lawyer. He was a member of the Litigation Counsel of America.

Stephen Gledhill, 69, passed away on April 3, 2021.



TERRANCE R. HARRIS 1965 - 2021

Rick was born July 18, 1963, in Plattsburgh, New York. He was from a military family and lived in several locations throughout his youth including Hawaii, Texas, Oklahoma and Arizona.

Rick served in the United States Air Force and was stationed at Fairchild Air Force Base, Washington, from 1983 until 1990. He attended Eastern Washington University and received his bachelor's degree while still in the Air Force. In 1987 Rick enrolled in Gonzaga University School of Law's night program and graduated in 1991. Rick relocated to Arizona after graduating from law school and worked at the Arizona Attorney General's office for over nine years.

He and his family returned to North Idaho in 2001, and Rick began working in a private law firm. He developed a keen ability for business transactions and related legal work and also fostered a reputation throughout the North Idaho legal community for his skill, attention to detail and, most importantly, for his respectful and professional approach to problem solving and conflict resolution. Rick treated every client as if they were the most important client he had.

Rick became a partner in the law firm of Ramsden & Lyons and subsequently became the Managing Partner of Ramsden, Marfice, Ealy & Harris, LLP, which he helped to guide and prosper until his retirement in 2017. Rick loved reading, music, Gonzaga Basketball, WSU football, hiking, biking and traveling with his family.

Terrance Ricky Harris, 57, passed away on April 3, 2021.



CHARLES TIMOTHY HOPKINS 1936 - 2021

Tim was born March 30, 1936, in Idaho Falls. He grew up on South Boulevard where he rode horses, engaged in debate, and participated in sports. He loved riding in the annual War Bonnet Roundup's grand entries, tearing up the streets in the rumble seat of his brother Tad's Model A, cruising a giant black Buick Roadmaster, and working for his father at Rogers Brothers Seed Company during the summers. Tim graduated from Idaho Falls High School in 1954 where he was Student Body President.

After graduation, he enlisted in the United States Army and was stationed in Newfoundland, Canada. In 1956, following his service, Tim attended Stanford University in Palo Alto, California, and graduated in 1960, earning a degree in political science.

Tim was interested in public service and public life. He received a Ford Foundation political internship after graduating from Stanford and went to work for the California GOP. This led him to Washington D.C. and shortly after, with help from the G.I bill, to George Washington Law School. This was the Kennedy era and an exciting time to be in D.C. Through an associate's job with the firm Covington & Burling, Tim was surrounded and influenced by some of the top legal and political figures of the day.

Following GW Law, Tim wanted to return to the west which was made possible when he accepted a position with a prominent San Francisco firm. During the time in the Bay Area, he experienced the magic and the upheaval of the times, but it was not Idaho, which was made clear when Tim asked where to do some duck hunting, and the answer was that he'd "have to rent a blind in the Sacramento delta. Tim was feeling the pull of home. He concluded he could either live in San Francisco and spend time off in Idaho or live in Idaho and spend time off traveling the globe.

In Idaho Falls, he joined the law firm of Holden, Holden & Kidwell, then went on to start his own firm. In 1973, he joined forces to create the law firm that is presently Hopkins, Roden, Crockett, Hansen, and Hoopes.

Tim's law career in Idaho was outstanding and was marked by the lifelong personal and professional relationships he cultivated with his peers. He argued approximately 35 cases before

the Idaho Supreme Court, including key cases in land-use, water rights and redistricting. He also served as President of the Idaho Bar in the State's Centennial year, 1991. Following that service, Tim served in the House of Delegates of the American Bar Association, and soon after became a member of the ABA Board of Governors. One of his great ABA honors was to serve on the Standing Committee on the Federal Judiciary, and to Chair that Committee from 2007-2008. He loved the law–every part of it.

Tim believed in service and loved serving Idaho. He was a founding board member of City Club of Idaho Falls, served on the Idaho Humanities Council board, and held leadership roles in the local Chamber of Commerce, Rotary Club, the United Way, and so many more important organizations. Tim had a true passion for the planet and its landscapes, especially Idaho landscapes. He served as chairman of the board for both the Nature Conservancy's Idaho chapter, and the Teton Regional Land Trust.

In the 1980s, Tim supported the Southfork Coalition in their effort to stop the construction of a large residential Planned Unit Development and golf course at the Hays Ranch adjacent to Lufkin Bottom in the South Fork of the Snake River's stunning canyon section. This effort eventually led to protection of this magical place in perpetuity. It's an American treasure, and Tim's efforts in keeping it wild, along with numerous other properties along this river corridor, are one of his many enduring gifts to us all.

Charles Timothy Hopkins, 85, passed away on April 23, 2021.



RONALD JARMAN 1946 - 2021

Ronald Jarman was born in Scranton, Pennsylvania, where he spent the early part of his life.

After graduating from high school, he attended Lafayette College on a golf scholarship and went on to receive a law degree from the University of Oregon.

Ron settled in Washington State and then Eastern Idaho. The majority of his legal career was spent in Pocatello as a trial lawyer and one of the most successful civil rights attorneys of his generation in the Idaho bar.

He retired to Sheridan, Montana in 2009. An avid sportsman, he enjoyed baseball, skiing and hunting and always enjoyed his outdoor pursuits. He also loved live music, especially his beloved Grateful Dead. His friends and family knew him first and foremost as one of the most passionate fly fishermen in the rivers around the west.

Ron was a man of brilliant wit and deep humanity.

Ronald Jarman, 75, passed away on May 30, 2021.

## VIRGINIA DEMEYER 1952 - 2021

Virginia "Ginger" DeMeyer was born on July 3, 1952, in Boise.

She grew up on the family ranch in Riddle, where she loved riding her horse with her sisters, brother and cousins. Ginger attended school in Boise, went to Bishop Kelly High School and graduated from Capital High School. She received her *juris doctorate* degree from the University of Idaho, School of Law.

Ginger was a practicing attorney for many years in Middleton, Idaho. Ginger was a cat lover, and was involved with the Idaho Mountain Orienteering for many years where she loved to compete on her horse Misi.

Virginia DeMeyer, 69, passed away on June 8, 2021



Richard Toothman 1946 – 2021

Richard Toothman was born in Twin Falls. His family moved frequently in his earliest years, but settled in Boise in 1953, where Rick attended school and graduated from Boise High School in 1964. He was student body vice president his senior year, and also a National Merit Scholar and valedictorian.

Rick earned a scholarship to Dartmouth College. Upon graduation in 1968, he was inducted into the United States Navy as an Ensign, soon rising to the rank of Lieutenant.

Steve attended the University of Idaho College of Law in Moscow, earning a *juris doctorate* in the Spring of 1974 and passing the Idaho State Bar. He practiced law for many years in Boise, eventually retiring from the Ada County Public Defender's Office in 2016.

Rick was an avid hiker and backpacker for many years. He loved the natural world and explored many wilderness areas and climbed many of Idaho's peaks, including Mt. Borah. He enjoyed cooking, reading, running and yoga. He was especially fond of the blues, he loved exploring Boise's music scene.

Rick Toothman, 74, passed away on June 9, 2021.



JOSEPH E. KARPACH JR. 1956 – 2021

Joseph Karpach was born March 10, 1956 in Bellevue, Washington.

Joe's childhood consisted of fishing, camping, swimming and exploring at Lake Margaret in Washington. He spent time camping in northern Washington and went deep sea fishing with his father in Sekiu, Washington. He enjoyed looking for arrowheads, camping and fishing at Cascade Lake in Idaho.

Joe's family moved to Boise in 1965 and he attended Highlands Elementary, North Junior High and Boise High School. He grew up going from one adventure to another. In his teenage years he worked at Lowell Pool, the Idaho Forest Service and Bogus Basin.

Joe attended Boise State University majoring in history and psychology. He attended law school at the University of Idaho and graduated with his *juris doctorate* in 1981. He moved back to Boise where he began working for Judge Robert Newhouse as an Ada County law clerk until he began his successful career with the State of Idaho. During his time with the State, he worked as an unemployment officer, Director of Appeals and Deputy Director of Labor when he eventually retired in August of 2015.

Joe was an advocate for persons with disabilities. Among some of his accomplishments, he wrote the bylaws for LINC (Living Independent Network Corporation), was instrumental in accessible seating at Expo Idaho and Hawks Stadium, and he counseled many disabled people through the vocational rehabilitation and medical systems.

Joseph Karpach, 65, passed away on June 28, 2021.

## **ROBERT WADE CURTIS**

1948 - 2021

Robert Wade Curtis was born in Pocatello on August 8, 1948.

After graduating from Pocatello High School, he attended the University of Idaho receiving a degree in accounting. Wade then attended the University of Idaho Law School where he earned a *juris doctorate*.

Wade joined the United States Army, serving for 20 years. He retired with the rank of Lieutenant Colonel. After returning to Idaho, he practiced law until his death.

He loved to spend time at his Cascade cabin. It was his dream fulfilled. He enjoyed cooking and traveling, especially cruising.

Robert Wade Curtis, Lt. Col., U.S. Army, Ret., 72, passed away on July 3, 2021.



WILBUR THAYNE NELSON 1940 – 2021

Wilbur Thayne Nelson, known as "Whitey" by his friends and family, was born November 12, 1940 in Idaho Falls. He grew up at Clementsville, attending a one-room school through the eighth grade, when the family bought and moved to a winter home in Rexburg to attend schools. He later wrote a history of Clementsville school for the Idaho Historical Society.

After his first year at the University of Idaho he served in the US Army in Germany in the Signal Corps. After Receiving his Honorable Discharge, and returning to the UI, he completed a BS in Forestry Management in 1967. He began law school that year, graduating in 1969 with a Juris Doctor Degree from the UI College of Law.

After passing the Idaho State Bar examination, he became a Law Clerk for the Honorable Fred M. Taylor, Chief Judge for the United States District Court for the District of Idaho. In 1971, the US Attorney for Idaho hired Whitey as an Assistant US Attorney for Idaho. He served a short time as the USA Attorney. In 1977, he entered private practice in Boise with Thomas Frost, later joined by Larry Westberg. He and Larry then were joined by Tom McCabe. Later, Whitey was a solo practitioner. He had many interesting cases and clients. He had the reputation among lawyers, judges and clients for thorough research and presentation.

Whitey was an enthusiastic outdoorsman, hunting and taking antelope, deer, elk and moose, and waterfowl and game birds, but what he really loved was language, reading and expression, presented in legal work but also in the collection of whimsical letters to his family known as "From the Desk of Little Willie."

Wilbur grew up in Idaho and graduated from the University of Idaho as well as the University of Idaho School of Law. He was admitted to the Idaho State Bar in 1969 and opened his law offices thereafter in Boise until the time he stopped practicing.

Wilber Thayne Nelson, 80, passed away on July 18, 2021.

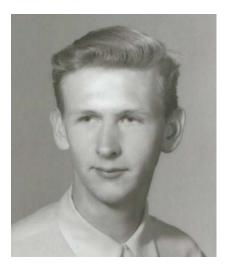


STARR KELSO 1951- 2021

Starr Kelso, graduated from University of Idaho, Class of 1974, with his bachelor's degree and Gonzaga University, Class of 1979, juris doctorate, *cum laude*.

Starr was admitted to the Idaho State Bar in 1979. In 1983, United States Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit; 1989, Montana; 1991, Colorado (inactive); 1979, United States District Court, District of Idaho; 1989, United States District Court, District of Montana. His practice areas included workers compensation and employment law.

Starr Kelso, 70, passed away on September 10, 2021.



HERMAN LARRY SPILKER 1933 - 2021

Herman Larry Spilker was born in Salt Lake City and the Cottonwood Heights area, formerly known as Butlerville. His earliest recollections were of the Great Depression and the hard times experienced by his family and friends. He often shared stories with his children regarding how difficult it was, and how easy we all had it now in comparison.

Larry had a wide variety of seemingly unrelated, but ultimately interrelated occupations, including poultry farmer, corrosion technician, weld inspector, night dispatcher, attorney, university professor, and apple farmer. He was always busy working and when asked how he wasn't always tired, he said things like "a change, is as good as a rest." He was the best at helping you realize that there is something to be learned from every experience, good or bad. "The important thing is to try and enjoy the journey."

As a young married father he worked the night shift as a dispatcher. During the day he earned a Bachelor of Science in business, and then a doctorate of jurisprudence from the University of Utah. After graduation, Larry moved his family to Idaho Falls and began his legal career as a staff attorney for Idaho Nuclear Company. He was promoted to General Counsel and served in that capacity for several subsequent INL contractors.

He would never admit this, but upon his retirement in 1995, he was world renowned in his specialty of Government Contract Law as it relates to the nuclear industry. His talents were often sought after until he decided to retire for good. Along the way, he was also a University Professor and taught Government Contract and Labor Law for the University of Idaho for many years. 42 years to be exact. He loved teaching and loved acquainting his students with the rich and colorful history of Idaho in the development of labor law. He was recognized by the University of Idaho with an "Outstanding Adjunct Faculty". He traveled the world educating, and especially enjoyed his contract with the United States Navy where he taught two-week courses in procurement law to military personnel at various military bases around the United States.

Herman Larry Spilker, 88, passed away September 11, 2021.



GREGORY GERALD JONES 1965 – 2021

Gregory Gerald Jones "Greg" was born on February 15, 1965, in Spokane, Washington.

Greg grew up in Chattaroy, Washington and graduated from Gonzaga Prep in 1983. Soon after graduation, he moved to Alaska to work in HVAC. In 1988, he joined the Peace Corps where he spent time in Cameroon, Africa. After the Peace Corps, Greg moved to Seattle and subsequently graduated from Seattle University in 1990.

Greg continued his education, graduating from Gonzaga University of Law School in 1998. After graduation, he moved back to Seattle with his family to start his law career. In 2002, moved back to Spokane to raise his family.

Greg was known for his love of flannel, his quick wit, sense of humor and selflessness. He was insightful and wise beyond his years, always teaching and encouraging people to be the best versions of themselves. Greg was an avid golfer and fiercely loved those who he called family and friends. His tenacious spirit will be sorely missed.

One last piece of wisdom from Greg: "Make a Change. Do a Deed. Keep your Faith. Plant a Seed. Grow Unto. Know and Be True. Be Yourself.

*Gregory Gerald Jones, 56, passed away on September 14, 2021.* 



LEO PETER SHISHMANIAN

Leo Shishmanian, a graduate of Pepperdine Law School in Malibu, California practiced law for 22 years. He prided himself on the fact that each client, regardless of his case load, received skilled, compassionate and zealous representation. Of these years, 20 were spent representing clients and litigating their cases.

Leo Peter Shishmanian, 48, passed away on September 26, 2021.



ROBERT MANNING NIELSEN 1943 - 2021

Robert "Bob" Manning Nielsen was born on November 3, 1943, in Paul.

He excelled both academically and athletically at Minidoka County High School and was elected Senior Class President in 1961. He loved being on Spartan baseball, basketball, and football teams during his career. After college, he played on recreational league teams with his siblings.

Bob's success led him to an appointment to the United States Naval Academy in Annapolis, Maryland, in 1962. At the Academy, he was appointed a Company Commander, selected as the top Marine Corps recruit in his class, and to round out his accomplishments, he was elected as "Social Chairman" for his class. He toured the Mediterranean Sea with the Spanish Navy, sailed on the aircraft carrier U.S.S. Shangri-La, and marched in funerals for both President John F. Kennedy and General Douglas MacArthur. He also boxed competitively in over 100 academy matches while earning his degree in Marine Engineering. His pride as a United States Naval officer was dampened when his poor hearing and multiple knee injuries prohibited him from serving with his fellow Midshipmen in the Vietnam War. It was difficult news for Bob, so after getting his degree, he worked for General Electric along the East Coast for a year.

Bob stayed in touch with an older Midshipman from Wyoming, followed his advice, and applied to the University of Wyoming Law School in 1967. His goal was to be a successful attorney, yet still be close to his roots and help his family on the farm.

He received his *juris doctorate* in June of 1969 and moved back to Paul to start his law career. In his early years, Bob was elected Minidoka County Prosecuting Attorney, then began a law partnership that lasted nearly 30 years.

Bob started his own law practice in 2000 and continued serving the community until his death. He especially enjoyed mentoring and partnering with dozens of young attorneys who eventually became admired and respected lawyers and judges.

Bob's civic involvement included youth sports, Elks, and the Rupert Country Club. He coached multiple youth sport teams. He was President of the Rupert Country Club, shared his love of golf with

his family, and continued his law practice with recent recognition by the Idaho State Bar for 50 years of dedicated service. Bob served with astronauts, war heroes, and the quarterback of the Dallas Cowboys, but his greatest honor continued to be serving the people of the Mini-Cassia area.

Robert Manning Nielsen, 77, passed away on September 27, 2021.



MITCHELL REYES AGUILAR 1986 - 2021

Mitchell R. Aguilar grew up in the Coeur d'Alene area. He attended Coeur d'Alene High School where he lettered in football, basketball, and golf. Upon graduation, he attended Boise State University where he received a bachelor's degree in Business Administration and Marketing in 2009.

Mitchell began his law career at Valparaiso University School of Law in Indiana where he was ranked in the top 10% of his class and selected for the Honors Program.

After completing his first year, Mitchell transferred to the University of Arizona James E. Rogers College of Law, receiving his *juris doctor* in 2013. While there, he was a volunteer Magistrate Judge for the Pima County Teen Court, an alternative forum to the juvenile justice system for specially selected at risk youth.

Mitchell was been licensed in Idaho since 2016 and interned with the Hon. Candy W. Dale at the United States District Court in Boise, successfully represented clients in criminal matters, and most recently worked with Ferguson Durham, PLLC in Boise, Idaho. He joined Amendola, Doty & Brumley, PLLC in 2017 and was excited for the opportunity to be back home serving the community where he grew up. He enjoyed time with friends and family, hunting, boating, skiing, and especially playing golf.

Mitchell Reyes Aguilar, 35, passed away on October 12, 2021.



**STEPHEN L. BEER** 1946 - 2021

Stephen Lowell Beer was born in 1946 in Beatrice, Nebraska.

Stephen earned his undergraduate degree at the University of Idaho, graduating in 1968. He went on to attend the University of Idaho School of Law and graduated in 1972 with his *juris doctorate* degree.

That same year, he took the Idaho State Bar exam and was admitted to practice law in the State of Idaho. Steve maintained law offices in Boise for years.

Stephen L. Beer passed away on October 19, 2021.



SUZANNA GRAHAM 1964 – 2021

Suzanna Graham was born in 1964 in Klamath Falls, Oregon. Her family moved to Washington state briefly before moving to Coos Bay, Oregon.

As a child, Suzie was enrolled in age-group swimming, where she formed lifelong friendships with fellow swimmers. She excelled at swimming and won many local, state and regional titles. She held the 100 meters breaststroke record at North Bend High School (a record she held for over 20 years) and went on to swim for Oregon State University.

Suzie was enthusiastic about most of her undertakings. One evening at the dinner table she announced that she had decided what she was going to be when she grew up. When questioned she answered "I'm going to take up lawyering" because Mr. Rominie (her civics teacher) told her she would be a good one. She never wavered from that plan. When asked she would say "I'm going to be a lawyer and a good one."

Suzie graduated from Oregon State University, with a bachelor's degree in political science. She briefly clerked for the Clackamas County Court and then graduated from the University of Idaho in 1986 with a *juris doctorate* degree. Suzie moved to North Idaho and practiced law, where she was highly respected, for nearly 30 years. She loved the law, her colleagues, her staff and her clients.

Suzanna Graham, 57, passed away on October 20, 2021.



MARK LEROY HIEDEMAN 1948 - 2021

Mark Hiedeman was born in Twin Falls and graduated from Twin Falls High School. Shortly after graduating, he enlisted in the United States Navy where he was assigned to the U.S.S. Ticonderoga. After completing his tour in 1975, he moved his family to Moscow to obtain his business degree from the University of Idaho. After graduation, the family moved back to southern Idaho where Mark worked as an insurance adjuster for Farm Bureau in Burley.

A few years later, Mark decided to make a huge career change, so he moved his family back up to Moscow to attend law school. Mark was hired at the prosecutor's office in Pocatello in 1985, which is where he began his over 20-year career as a prosecutor.

In 1992, Mark was elected as the Bannock County Prosecutor, where he successfully prosecuted some of Bannock County's most infamous cases. During these years, he competed on softball leagues, bowling leagues and was one of the best pool players around! He excelled athletically and pretty much everything else he put his mind to. He progressed from bowling and softball, to golf and snow skiing.

Mark was highly sought after for legal consultation for quite a few years before he was ready to give that up as well, and focus on enjoying his life

His smile and laugh were infectious to everyone around him and he was always the life of the party. He commanded the room when he spoke and many of his words will live in hearts and minds forever.

Mark LeRoy Hiedeman, 73, passed away on October 28, 2021.



STEPHEN LYNN BALL 1949 - 2021

Stephen Lynn Ball was born in Rigby in 1949. He grew up in Lewisville running sheep and excelling in academics.

Steve attended school in Lewisville and Rigby. He graduated from BYU with degrees in engineering and law. He shared his interests in photography, nature, airplanes, woodworking, and motorcycles with family and close friends. He will be remembered for using his life to build memories for his family.

Stephen Lynn Ball, 72, passed away on November 21, 2021.



**STEPHEN E. MARTIN**1947 – 2021

Stephen was a proud son of Idaho - fourth generation. He was born on March 4th, 1947. He grew up working on the family farm in the foothills of Idaho Falls. After graduating from Idaho Falls High School, he moved to Evanston, Illinois to attend Northwestern University. There he earned an undergraduate degree in history and a law degree.

Stephen practiced law in Salt Lake City before moving home to Idaho Falls where he became a partner at Holden, Kidwell, Hahn and Crapo. In 1998 he started his own practice with a friend and colleague and there he served his clients faithfully.

Stephen's law practice focused on estate law and he was able to offer support and guidance to many farming and ranching families throughout the Intermountain West in some of their most difficult times. In 2002 he moved to Swan Valley and was an active part of the community.

Stephen E. Martin, 74, passed away on December 6, 2021.