

COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF LEHIGH COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

2022 BAR MEMORIALS CEREMONY

MONDAY, MAY 16, 2022  
9:00 A.M.  
COURTROOM NO. 2A  
LEHIGH COUNTY COURTHOUSE  
ALLENTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA

IN MEMORY OF:

CHARLES STOPP  
PETER PERRY  
BOYD WALKER  
EDWARD FEDOK  
DAWNE CASSELLE  
WILLIAM DOYLE  
EDMUND HAUFF

BEFORE:

HONORABLE J. BRIAN JOHNSON, P.J.  
HONORABLE ROBERT L. STEINBERG, J.  
HONORABLE JAMES T. ANTHONY, J.  
HONORABLE MICHELE A. VARRICCHIO, J.  
HONORABLE DOUGLAS G. REICHLEY, J.  
HONORABLE ANNA-KRISTIE M. MARKS, J.  
HONORABLE THOMAS M. CAFFREY, J.  
HONORABLE THOMAS A. CAPEHART, J.

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1 MR. METZNER: Please rise. The  
2 Honorable Judges, the President Judge and Judges  
3 of the Court of Common Pleas of Lehigh County,  
4 Pennsylvania.

5 Oyez, oyez, oyez. All manner of  
6 persons having anything to do, before the  
7 Honorable Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of  
8 Lehigh County, here holden this day, let them  
9 come forward and they shall be heard. God save  
10 the Commonwealth and this Honorable Court. You  
11 may be seated.

12 PRESIDENT JUDGE JOHNSON: Good  
13 morning. On behalf of my colleagues on the Court  
14 of Common Pleas and personally, I welcome you to  
15 the annual Bar Memorials Ceremony, sponsored  
16 jointly by the Bar Association of Lehigh County  
17 and the Court.

18 Joining me on the bench in order of  
19 seniority are the Honorables Robert L.  
20 Steinberg, James T. Anthony, Michele A.  
21 Varricchio, Douglas G. Reichley, Anna-Kristie M.  
22 Marks, Thomas M. Caffrey and Thomas A. Capehart.  
23 Judge Melissa Pavlack cannot be with us this  
24 morning, but she sends her regards.

25 We also recognize other judges and

1 elected officials present: former United States  
2 District Chief, Edward N. Cahn; former President  
3 Judge of our court, William H. Platt; former  
4 judges of our court, William E. Ford, Lawrence  
5 J. Brenner and Daniel K. McCarthy; Sheriff, Joe  
6 Hanna; District Attorney, James B. Martin.

7           In this special session of the  
8 court, we pause to remember and pay respects to  
9 those members of our Bar Association, our  
10 colleagues, who have passed away during 2021.  
11 Those of us in the legal profession and those  
12 who live or work among us, know that our days in  
13 this profession are often long. It is at this  
14 time, however, we are reminded that our years  
15 are short.

16           In our annual Bar Admissions  
17 Ceremony, we admit new members to our Bar with  
18 great joy as they commence their professional  
19 lives and with great hope that they will do well  
20 for themselves and their clients, and do good  
21 for our community and our profession.

22           Now, we have a more somber, but no  
23 less important duty of paying respects to our  
24 departed colleagues. Birth is a beginning and  
25 death is a destination; life is the journey made

1 between them. In remembering our departed  
2 colleagues and the journey they took, we also  
3 remind ourselves of our own mortality, the kind  
4 of life we live, and the legacy we will leave  
5 behind.

6 At this time, the Court recognizes  
7 the President of the Bar Association of Lehigh  
8 County, Attorney Michael Daigle.

9 MR. DAIGLE: Thank you, President  
10 Judge Johnson, the members of the Court of  
11 Common Pleas of Lehigh County.

12 May it please the Court. We gather  
13 today for what could be our finest tradition,  
14 the Annual Bar Memorial. This is a 116-year  
15 tradition dating back to the beginning of this  
16 esteemed organization. We're still playing  
17 catch-up since COVID, which explains our non-  
18 traditional date. And we hope to be back at our  
19 normal time of the year next February.

20 Today we honor those member  
21 attorneys that passed away in 2021. We thank the  
22 Court for its continued commitment for clearing  
23 the Court calendar to join us and assist us as  
24 we pay tribute to our members. We would also  
25 like to thank Attorney Jenna Fliszar who

1 diligently and whole-heartedly volunteers every  
2 year to help organize this celebration of life.

3           Today we gather to honor the memory  
4 of: Charles Stopp, who will be remembered by  
5 Keith Strohl; Peter Perry, who will be  
6 remembered by me; Boyd Walker, who will be  
7 remembered by Todd Miller; Edward Fedok, who  
8 will be remembered by Blake Marles; Dawne  
9 Casselle, who will be remembered by me; William  
10 Doyle, who will be remembered by Robert  
11 Donatelli; and Edmund Hauff, who will be  
12 remembered by the Honorable Edward N. Cahn.

13           Please welcome Keith Strohl, who  
14 will honor Charles Stopp.

15           MR. STROHL: Good morning. Today I  
16 have the honor to speak about Charles Stopp; my  
17 partner, my mentor, and most importantly, my  
18 friend. I spent a lot of time over the last  
19 couple of months trying to decide what I would  
20 be saying today. Selfishly, because I didn't  
21 want to embarrass myself too much, but more  
22 importantly because I did want to properly honor  
23 the man, Charles Stopp, and all the great things  
24 he achieved during his lifetime. When I mention  
25 that he was my partner, my mentor, and my

1 friend, I wanted to focus on the friend aspect,  
2 and I felt that would be the most important way  
3 to summarize how I saw Charlie over the years  
4 that I worked with him.

5           From the friendships that he had  
6 with those graduates of Northwestern High  
7 School, the members of the football, baseball,  
8 basketball, and wrestling team, and all of his  
9 other friends who then became clients of his.  
10 Whenever I would receive dictations from  
11 Charlie, it usually began as, "My friend, so and  
12 so," and then, about a five-minute summary of  
13 his friend's background because all of his  
14 clients, essentially, were his friends.

15           After Northwestern High School, he  
16 had gone to Kutztown University, where he  
17 majored in history with the intention of being a  
18 teacher. Before Kutztown, he was in the U.S.  
19 Army and made many friends there as well. The  
20 time he spent at Kutztown with those friends, he  
21 spent time with the Kutztown University  
22 Foundation to show how much the time at Kutztown  
23 meant to him and gave a lot of time to Kutztown  
24 on the board and as legal counsel to the  
25 foundation over many, many years.

1 Charlie also made many friends at  
2 Temple University, who he would utilize as  
3 resources to refer clients and friends whenever  
4 there was a need outside of Charlie's expertise.  
5 Charlie started at Steckel and Stopp in 1975  
6 with Attorney Bill Steckel and spent many years  
7 practicing to help all of his friends as  
8 clients. He put in many hours, which meant that  
9 there wasn't always time for his family. But he  
10 always expressed how much he loved his wife and  
11 his children. And one of his major regrets were  
12 that he didn't have the opportunity to spend as  
13 much time with his family that he would have  
14 liked to, because he often spent 80 to 90 hours  
15 a week helping his friends, which he saw as his  
16 obligation to most properly serve them.

17 Many of his clients he also spent  
18 time with playing tennis, which was one of his  
19 favorite hobbies. And that gave him an outlet to  
20 exercise and let off some steam after all the  
21 hours of work he put in during the week.

22 At the Steckel and Stopp family,  
23 which I like to refer to us, we all saw Charlie  
24 as our friend. And there are many folks at  
25 Steckel and Stopp who have spent many years



1 there because of the culture that Charlie  
2 instilled at the firm. He saw the firm and his  
3 employees as his family and friends, and he  
4 would constantly go out of his way to speak to  
5 you about what your personal issues were or how  
6 your family was because he truly cared about all  
7 of those things.

8 Charlie also spent time with his  
9 friends volunteering in many community  
10 organizations. Whether it was the Jaycees, the  
11 Lions, the Rotary, and Legion as Service Officer  
12 or one of his favorite activities, which was the  
13 Boy Scouts of America and his time spent serving  
14 on behalf of Minsi Trails Council. He was able  
15 to enjoy those community activities with all of  
16 his friends and expanded those friendships  
17 further.

18 Charlie constantly went the extra  
19 mile for his friends. One of his clients that I  
20 met with after he passed away, shared a story  
21 with me; that Charlie was on his way out to his  
22 cabin at Lake Winona and saw his friend outside  
23 of his house. Charlie pulled over at the side of  
24 the road and spent an hour talking to him just  
25 rehashing old memories. And that was just the

1 kind of memory that I hear from many of his  
2 clients and friends; that Charlie would always  
3 stop whenever he was seeing somebody outside of  
4 the office, and never told them that he didn't  
5 have time to talk to them.

6 In summary, Charlie was a partner, a  
7 mentor, and a friend. There are not words that I  
8 can speak to express what he meant to all of us,  
9 but he will always live on in our memory and  
10 hopefully our firm and myself with the lessons  
11 he taught me can continue to carry on and he  
12 will live forever in all of our memories. Thank  
13 you.

14 MR. DAIGLE: Peter P. Perry of  
15 Allentown, Pennsylvania died on April 14, 2021.  
16 He was the son of Richard E. Perry and Ada P.  
17 Brandt Perry, who predeceased him. He is  
18 survived by his wife, Janice G. Mizgerd Perry,  
19 to whom he was married for over 60 years. He was  
20 also predeceased by his brother, David P. Perry;  
21 his brother, Dr. Richard E. Perry, Jr., and his  
22 sister, Patricia M. Shimeneck. He is survived by  
23 his son, Peter P. Perry, Jr., and his wife,  
24 Lori; and by his son, Michael P. Perry, and his  
25 wife, Andrea; and by his daughter, Maureen J.

1 Perry, and two grandchildren, Michael P. Perry,  
2 Jr. and Emily K. Perry.

3 Peter graduated from the University of  
4 Pennsylvania where he was a member of the Alpha  
5 Chi Rho Fraternity and he graduated from the  
6 Dickinson School of Law of Penn State  
7 University. He was a lawyer who practiced for  
8 over 60 years, having started his law practice  
9 as an associate in the law offices of Boyle,  
10 Hock, Naef and Caplan. Eventually, he became a  
11 sole practitioner limiting his law practice to  
12 estate planning, estate administration, business  
13 planning, real estate, and taxation. He was a  
14 member of the County Courts of Pennsylvania, the  
15 Pennsylvania Supreme Court, the United States  
16 Tax Court, and the United States District Court  
17 for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania.

18 He was designated as a preeminent lawyer  
19 with Martindale-Hubbell and held the highest  
20 rating of AV for every year since 1989. He was a  
21 member of the Bar Association of Lehigh County,  
22 the Philadelphia Bar Association, including its  
23 Probate and Trust Law Section and its Taxation  
24 Section, the Pennsylvania Bar Association,  
25 including its Probate and Trust Law Section and

1 its Taxation Sections, and the American Bar  
2 Association, including its Real Property, Trust  
3 and Estate Law Section.

4 Attorney Perry was an avid chess  
5 player and was a life member of the  
6 International Chess Federation. He liked to  
7 travel. He traveled to most of the United  
8 States, the Canadian Maritime Provinces,  
9 Bermuda, Ireland, England, Scotland, Wales,  
10 France, Germany, Austria, Switzerland, Italy,  
11 Spain, Australia, New Zealand, and Tahiti.

12 Please welcome Todd Miller, who will  
13 honor Attorney Boyd Walker.

14 MR. MILLER: The Honorable Judges of  
15 this court, senior judges, retired judges,  
16 elected officials, fellow members of the Bar,  
17 friends, and families of our deceased colleagues  
18 including Boyd's daughter who is here, Attorney  
19 Susan O'Donnell.

20 Boyd Walker was one of the best  
21 civil litigators of his time. Boyd was a  
22 Muhlenberg College graduate, who at the age of  
23 20, enlisted in the Navy in the summer of 1943,  
24 stationed on several ships in the Pacific during  
25 World War II until 1946, when he was admitted to

1 Dickinson Law School and graduated second in his  
2 class in 1949.

3 Boyd was admitted to the Bar on  
4 November 14, 1949. Boyd was a natural trial  
5 lawyer. It didn't take Boyd long before auto  
6 insurance companies, general liability insurance  
7 companies, wanted him to defend their cases. In  
8 the '50s and '60s, lawyers didn't specialize  
9 like they did today, at least most didn't, in  
10 one area of the law. And Boyd also had a  
11 substantial general practice of law including  
12 business transactional law, real estate, and  
13 divorce.

14 Prior to the 1960s, there were very  
15 few medical malpractice cases throughout the  
16 entire country. During the '60s and '70s, more  
17 and more medical malpractice cases were being  
18 brought throughout the entire country. And it  
19 was during this time that Boyd had defended the  
20 very first medical malpractice jury trial  
21 against a physician in Lehigh County. As more  
22 and more medical malpractice cases were filed  
23 against physicians, more and more insurance  
24 companies wanted Boyd to defend their doctors.

25 As Boyd's defense verdicts amassed

1 for the doctors he represented, Boyd's  
2 reputation flourished and he became known as one  
3 of the best medical malpractice defense  
4 attorneys throughout the State of Pennsylvania.

5 Boyd had a style in the courtroom  
6 that was unique to Boyd. Boyd was always dressed  
7 immaculate, his deep voice, he was aggressive,  
8 yet funny, and always knew how to relate to the  
9 jury. Irrespective of how complicated the  
10 medical terminology and the complexity of the  
11 treatment, Boyd would make it simple. If it was  
12 a case about misdiagnosing an infection that led  
13 to sepsis and death, Boyd, when cross-examining  
14 plaintiff's expert would refer to the bacteria  
15 as bugs. Something the jury could relate to.

16 Boyd had a unique way of ending his  
17 cross-examination of an experienced expert. He  
18 would ask the opposing expert about four or five  
19 questions that were not particularly important  
20 questions, but questions that Boyd knew that the  
21 expert had no choice but to agree with. Only  
22 Boyd could ask these questions in such a manner  
23 that the jury perceived that they were the most  
24 important questions in the case. Each time the  
25 expert said they agreed, Boyd immediately looked

1 at the jury, "Right." And would say that. After  
2 three or four similar exchanges with the expert,  
3 Boyd would ask his last question that the expert  
4 would once again agree with. But this time, when  
5 Boyd looked at the jury with his piercing blue  
6 eyes, he said, "Exactly. I have no further  
7 questions for this witness."

8 It was if Boyd had just proclaimed  
9 victory. As from that point on, he had the jury  
10 with him. Once again, Boyd went on to obtain  
11 another defense verdict. Another classic Boyd  
12 courtroom story was when plaintiff's counsel  
13 would repeatedly object when Boyd was cross-  
14 examining plaintiff's expert. Boyd would look at  
15 opposing counsel and say, "Stop interrupting me  
16 when I'm making a big point." And the jury would  
17 nod and laugh.

18 Boyd was highly intelligent and  
19 technically an excellent trial lawyer who had  
20 successfully defended cases against the top  
21 Philadelphia firms such as Jim Beasley's firm,  
22 Tom Rutter's firm, Jim Colleran's firm, the  
23 Litvin firm, as well as one of the best medical  
24 malpractice lawyers from New York City, Herman  
25 Glaisure, who was known as "Silky," and earned

1 that name as he was that smooth in a courtroom;  
2 and Boyd beat him.

3 Boyd was a people person. He could  
4 relate to people of all walks of life; and that  
5 was a trait that served him well in a courtroom.  
6 Boyd lived for many years at the corner of 24<sup>th</sup>  
7 and Lindberg, also known as Walker Heim. Boyd  
8 and his wife, Mary, loved having not only  
9 family, but countless friends from all walks of  
10 life stop at their home without invitation. Boyd  
11 was a mentor to many young attorneys who had the  
12 opportunity to work with Boyd. It wasn't by  
13 accident that these young attorneys who were  
14 mentored by Boyd all went on to have successful  
15 careers.

16 The most important message that Boyd  
17 stressed was, a lawyer's word is his bond. All  
18 of us who have had the opportunity to be  
19 mentored by Boyd are forever grateful. Anyone  
20 who ever knew Boyd, observed firsthand that Boyd  
21 was always the life of any party, and also knew  
22 of Boyd's passion for fishing, as Boyd was one  
23 of the best fly fishermen in the country. Boyd  
24 was one of just 25 anglers invited in the Gold  
25 Cup Tarpon Tournament in the Florida Keys. This



1 tournament is known worldwide. It has been  
2 referred to as the Wimbledon and World Series of  
3 tarpon fishing.

4 Boyd was personal friends with one  
5 of the founders of this tournament, the  
6 legendary baseball player, Ted Williams, who  
7 would also compete. They'd fish for five days in  
8 a row trying to catch and release as many tarpon  
9 as they could and the biggest tarpon they can.  
10 Boyd had placed many times in this tournament,  
11 but in 1980 with his longtime guide, Rodger  
12 Martin, won the tournament catching a 117½ pound  
13 tarpon on just a 15-pound test line.

14 Boyd loved fishing anywhere. And  
15 throughout his life, he loved teaching people  
16 how to fly fish, especially his grandson, Billy,  
17 who he would take every year to Cape Cod, bass  
18 fishing. Billy is following in the footsteps of  
19 his grandfather with the same passion for fly  
20 fishing.

21 Using Boyd's terminology, when they  
22 made Boyd, they threw him all the way. Boyd  
23 lived a dream life and died at the age of 97.  
24 Boyd was a great friend to many, a great  
25 partner, and a devoted husband/father to his

1 family. Boyd always treated me like a son and I  
2 loved him like my own father. Boyd will never be  
3 forgotten by anyone whose lives he touched.

4 MR. DAIGLE: Now, please welcome  
5 Attorney Blake Marles who will honor Edward  
6 Fedok.

7 MR. MARLES: May it please the Court,  
8 members of the bench, retired members of the  
9 bench and distinguished guests, friends and  
10 family, JoAnne. I'm pleased to have the  
11 opportunity to tell you about my friend and  
12 longtime colleague, Ed Fedok. Looking around the  
13 room, I suspect a few of you knew him.

14 Ed wasn't a joiner, he wasn't  
15 involved in Bar activities, he certainly never  
16 would have been seen down here. His practice  
17 placed him in touch with few local lawyers.  
18 Except with colleagues and a very few close  
19 friends, you wouldn't have seen him out to  
20 lunch. And unless you were serious about local  
21 sports, you probably didn't meet him in the  
22 community. You missed getting to know a really  
23 remarkable guy.

24 Let me begin with a public Ed. Ed  
25 wouldn't talk about himself. He would be leading

1 with his family when he spoke about himself, but  
2 I'll double back to that. Ed grew up in the  
3 Sixth Ward of Allentown and wore that credential  
4 as a source of pride. He never let anything in  
5 his history get in the way of his future. He was  
6 a proud graduate of Allentown Central Catholic  
7 High School, where he honed his extraordinary  
8 discipline and focus. He would tell you that he  
9 did that through sports, where he did more than  
10 excel. He was the leader in both baseball and  
11 basketball and he received the Outstanding  
12 Player Award in his senior year at Central  
13 Catholic.

14                   He went on to Dickinson College  
15 where he again excelled academically and  
16 athletically. Once again, he was the best at  
17 what he did. Not only was he college athlete of  
18 the year in 1967, but he was eventually inducted  
19 into the College Athletics Hall of Fame in  
20 Dickinson. Following his stint at Fort Carson,  
21 Colorado, he was a Captain in the JAG Core. He  
22 began his career in private practice all in  
23 Allentown. I got to know "Steady Eddy" as an  
24 associate at Butz, Hudders, and Tallman. At the  
25 time I left that firm five years later, he was a

1 young partner. He left the firm and joined  
2 Stevens and Lee in the early '90s, and I  
3 rejoined him there in 1997.

4           In all, we practiced together for 28  
5 years. More importantly, we shared a basketball  
6 court for 36 years, until he was 70 years old.  
7 The people who really knew Ed played sports with  
8 him. His intensity and his sense of focus was  
9 legendary. Even at 70, he could still get a shot  
10 off against guys much taller and by then, much  
11 more athletic than he was because he limited his  
12 game to the things he knew best; he knew  
13 precisely how to take advantage of what he knew.  
14 It didn't matter what the sport was; baseball,  
15 and a very highly competitive league, almost as  
16 long as he played basketball, basketball of  
17 course, and tennis too.

18           For Ed, it was always a game of  
19 inches, of angles, of discipline and of never  
20 overreaching. Team sports were also games of  
21 trust. Teams with great players often don't win  
22 because the participants don't understand how to  
23 function as a unit and don't recognize that  
24 teams working together become so much more than  
25 the sum of their parts. Ed knew all of that. He

1 led the teams on which he played. He was  
2 patient. He was tolerant as a leader. He was a  
3 coach as much as a teammate. And he trusted his  
4 teammates to bring the best just as he did.

5           Ed practiced law the way he liked --  
6 to the way he played team sports. His practice  
7 was limited, but like his approach to sports, it  
8 was complicated. Ed practiced business and tax  
9 law, but focused primarily on municipal bonds.  
10 His reliability and attention to detail meant  
11 that he was looked to as the go-to guy for some  
12 of the largest bond deals in the county; Lehigh  
13 Valley Hospital, Phoebe Homes, Muhlenberg  
14 College, among others; and is a troubleshooter  
15 for many large financing projects regionally.

16           He seamlessly became the go-to guy  
17 for the more regional practice at Stevens and  
18 Lee. Quietly, his fingertips are all over many  
19 of the major financing projects that have led to  
20 the Lehigh Valley becoming what it is today. And  
21 to accomplish that, he trusted his team, his  
22 trusted assistant, Deb Smith, the many lawyers  
23 on whom he relies on so that he didn't have to  
24 get out of his lane. He knew what he was good at  
25 and he was content to do that. And those of us

1 who played and worked with him knew it too.

2 He was "Steady Eddy," the guy we  
3 could always rely on. But as was the case in  
4 sports, you'd never know any of that from Ed.  
5 Although he was the best at what he did, you  
6 never heard about that from him. What he'd talk  
7 about to those of us who worked with him over  
8 the years seldom changed. It was always about  
9 his family; his vacations with them and his  
10 wife, JoAnne, almost always to places he knew,  
11 coaching his son in sports, the success of his  
12 daughter, Amy, as a lawyer, and of his son,  
13 Jason, at the Transportation Safety  
14 Administration, and in his later days, the  
15 exploits of his grandchildren as a devoted  
16 grandfather.

17 Ed died as he lived, humbly and  
18 without fanfare. He would want his legacy to be  
19 the family he left behind; and in that, he  
20 succeeded again. That's his legacy.

21 MR. DAIGLE: Attorney Dawne Casselle  
22 passed away September 19, 2021. Attorney  
23 Casselle was born April 16, 1943 in  
24 Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. She graduated from  
25 Southern Lehigh High School in 1960, and

1 graduated with her Bachelor of Arts in June 1975  
2 from UCLA. Attorney Casselle graduated with her  
3 J.D. in December of 1980 from UCLA Law School.

4 She was admitted to the Supreme  
5 Court of Pennsylvania on May 23, 1989, and first  
6 became a member of the Bar Association of Lehigh  
7 County in June of 1989. She was the case editor  
8 for the Lehigh Law Journal from 1991 to 1993.  
9 Later in life, Attorney Casselle obtained her  
10 Ph.D. from Universal Life Church Seminary, and  
11 also practiced as a pastor.

12 Please welcome if you could, Robert  
13 Donatelli, who will honor William Doyle.

14 MR. DONATELLI: May it please the  
15 Court, members of the Court, ladies and  
16 gentlemen, to Janet and Matt. I'm honored to be  
17 asked to remember a member of the Bar, our  
18 colleague, my law partner, my friend for over 30  
19 years, William E. Doyle. Bill was born May 25,  
20 1941 to parents who were immigrants from the  
21 Republic of Ireland. Bill grew up in the valley  
22 attending local schools and graduating from  
23 Allentown Central Catholic High School.

24 After his graduation, he enlisted in  
25 the United States Navy at the time of the

1 Vietnam War breaking out. Bill served on the  
2 battleship, the *St. Paul*, as a radioman. And he  
3 often tells the story that he had the honor to  
4 meet a president. President Eisenhower visited  
5 the ship and he got to shake his hand. Bill  
6 completed an enlistment for four years.

7           After he left the Navy, he enrolled  
8 in Moravian College, graduated, then decided to  
9 make two of his most important decisions in his  
10 life; he decided to marry the love of his life,  
11 Janet. They had three children, Billy, Heather  
12 and Matt; and he decided to enroll in Temple Law  
13 School. During when he was at Temple Law School,  
14 he was a married man that needed a job. He got a  
15 job with a criminal defense law firm in  
16 Philadelphia, kind of as a law clerk of some  
17 sort.

18           He often laughed with the Irish  
19 glint in his eyes that one of his jobs was at  
20 Christmas time to take envelopes with cash to  
21 some of the row offices and some of the criminal  
22 division judges. He would walk in, compliments  
23 of, name the firm, leave the envelopes. I don't  
24 know if that's tradition in Philadelphia today.

25           During that period as a law student



1 in my day, we were required to have what was  
2 called a preceptor; we had to serve a  
3 preceptorship. The preceptor was a practicing  
4 lawyer in the county where you were going to  
5 practice. The preceptorship was for six months;  
6 three months you served while you were in law  
7 school, three months after you took the Bar  
8 Examination. His preceptor was James Keller, who  
9 was a well-respected, excellent lawyer.

10           While we were serving the  
11 preceptorship, we would prepare pleadings, do  
12 our legal research, deliver things to the  
13 courthouse, attend various proceedings. Some  
14 referred to it as an indentured servitude. The  
15 preceptor was not required to pay us. And some  
16 gave us a stipend, some did not. Bill always  
17 talked to Jim Keller and treated him very well  
18 during that period of time.

19           Actually, the preceptorship, which  
20 is no longer instituted, was a valuable tool for  
21 all of us who took it because we learned  
22 practical aspects of the law; where the  
23 courthouse was, where the Prothonotary's Office  
24 was, or as some call it the "Prothonotary's"  
25 Office, got to meet the people who worked in

1 those offices who were later on, we learned,  
2 very important to us. Those people could help us  
3 out while we were actually practicing law.

4           After his admission to the Bar, Bill  
5 opened his office and then made his way to the  
6 firm of King, McCardle & Herman doing defense  
7 insurance litigation for about 8 years. During  
8 that period of time -- I'm sorry. About that  
9 time, Bill then left and opened up his own  
10 office on Linden Street at about the same time I  
11 had opened my office on Linden Street the next  
12 block up. We would meet at what was then known  
13 as the A&B Lunch, where there was a lawyer's  
14 lunch. And we met, began our friendship, decided  
15 to join together and open a firm, which we did  
16 across the street from the A&B, convenient to  
17 lunch, right next to the symphony.

18           We started a firm then called  
19 Donatelli, Doyle, Anewalt & Bernstein later  
20 Donatelli and Doyle. We remained together for  
21 over 30 years until his retirement in 2015.  
22 Those are some of the dry facts about William E.  
23 Doyle.

24           Now, let's talk about Bill Doyle,  
25 the Bill Doyle -- the person that we know.

1 Although he often appeared as a fun-loving  
2 gregarious guy, he actually was quite shy and a  
3 private person. Bill enjoyed, while we were  
4 practicing, after work to join his colleagues at  
5 places like the Pennsylvania Restaurant for a  
6 couple of drinks.

7 Bill's life at that time became too  
8 close to alcohol. Bill realized that, he knew it  
9 was affecting his private life and affecting his  
10 practice. Bill being the strong person that he  
11 was, stopped. He then joined what was as a  
12 volunteer counselor to the Pennsylvania Bar  
13 Association Program called, Lawyers Concerned  
14 For Lawyers Program, reaching out to helping  
15 many of our colleagues who were affected with  
16 similar types of addictions.

17 Typical of Bill, he did it quietly.  
18 None of us -- a lot of his clients and friends  
19 didn't even know he was doing it. He did it for  
20 years. He then became active in the Bar  
21 Association of Lehigh County arising to become  
22 President of the Bar Association. During that  
23 period of time, the Bar Association made one of  
24 its better decisions; it decided to buy what was  
25 then called the Women's Club of Allentown on

1 Walnut Street, now the Barristers Club.

2 Bill, again with the Irish glint,  
3 talked about the closing; that when they  
4 attended the closing, the lawyers came up short  
5 from the check. They didn't have enough money to  
6 make the closing. So they literally passed the  
7 hat around the table to those lawyers who were  
8 there who had to kick in money to make the  
9 closing. He laughed and said he thinks the women  
10 ran out of there to go to the bank to cash our  
11 check to be sure it was good.

12 Bill was a student of the American  
13 Civil War. He visited many of its battlefields  
14 and its reenactments and became well versed in  
15 the facts of the war. He was also a student of  
16 the law. Many times he would be in his office  
17 after work just reading cases. He taught law at  
18 Lehigh County Community College. His family was  
19 his pride and joy. His family had a cabin in the  
20 Poconos on a lake. He enjoyed going there with  
21 his family; boating, water skiing. He was an  
22 avid movie-goer and traveler. He visited many  
23 countries in Europe and Africa.

24 One of his hobbies was golf. He and  
25 I would often play at it. You may have noticed I

1 didn't say, "We played golf;" we played at it.  
2 Neither one of us was good enough to be called a  
3 golfer. One of the best customs of the Bar  
4 Association was every summer we have a Bar  
5 picnic at a local country club, and one of the  
6 events in the morning is a golf match. Bill and  
7 I would do that and join a foursome. And we got  
8 to know those country clubs very well -- the  
9 golf course, because we were all over them; and  
10 the foursomes behind us I don't think were very  
11 happy.

12           He and I decided after a couple of  
13 years of doing that, we stopped doing that and  
14 we would meet in the morning and go to a public  
15 course, do our thing there, and then return to  
16 meet with our lawyer friends for the rest of the  
17 day at the picnic. I think the rest of the Bar  
18 members were very grateful that we'd not play  
19 there, but we had fun. Bill died October 15,  
20 2021. We lost a good husband, a father, lawyer,  
21 colleague and I lost a good friend. Thank you.

22           MR. DAIGLE: Please welcome our final  
23 speaker, the Honorable Edward N. Cahn, who will  
24 honor Edmund Hauff.

25           JUDGE CAHN: May it please the Court,

1 and excuse my back to you, members of the Court.  
2 I ask your permission to continue looking this  
3 way. I'd also like to start by complimenting the  
4 prior speakers who gave excellent eulogies  
5 today. I also have a lot of experience in doing  
6 this type of thing, and you were excellent in  
7 your presentations.

8                   Good morning to Harriet L. Hauff and  
9 the family and many friends of Attorney Edmund  
10 G. Hauff. I thank the Bar Association of Lehigh  
11 County and Harriet for extending to me the  
12 distinct privilege to speak in commemoration of  
13 my dear friend, Ed Hauff.

14                   I first met Edmund in the fall of  
15 1960 when he came to work at the law firm of  
16 Perkin, Twining and Dower. I was in the same  
17 office. He was a 1953 graduate of Allentown High  
18 School, a 1957 graduate of Dickinson College and  
19 a 1960 graduate of the University of  
20 Pennsylvania Law School. He had just taken the  
21 Bar Examination. He then enlisted in the  
22 National Guard. He was on active duty when I  
23 telegraphed him that he had passed the Bar on  
24 his first attempt.

25                   Law and football were a part of Ed's

1 heritage. His father played football for  
2 Haverford College. And his uncle, Anthony  
3 Annecharico, was a star football player at  
4 Allentown High School and Muhlenberg College.  
5 When Ed finished his service with the guard, he  
6 returned to our law office and was sworn in as  
7 an attorney. We became very good friends at that  
8 time and our friendship continued for 60 years.

9 I must mention Ed's tennis. He was  
10 very good at it and played like a gentleman. I  
11 found him hard to beat. Ed was a good student  
12 at law school. He won the prize for the best  
13 grade in constitutional law in the first-year  
14 course. This was a remarkable feat because two  
15 of his classmates clerked for the Supreme Court  
16 of the United States.

17 I recollect an interesting aside;  
18 when I attended a constitutional law seminar at  
19 Hastings University of California Law School at  
20 Berkeley, the dean was a classmate of Ed Hauff.  
21 His name was Jesse Choper. I told the dean that  
22 Ed Hauff had thought he should be teaching the  
23 course because of his higher grade in the  
24 subject. The dean, being devoid of humor, was  
25 not amused. And that's true. I will always be

1 indebted to Edmund and Harriet for introducing  
2 me to my wife, Alice. After that introduction,  
3 we went on many double dates both before and  
4 after our marriages.

5 I now want to focus on Ed Hauff as a  
6 husband and father. Ed took enormous pride in  
7 being married to a woman with a gregarious  
8 personality. He often gloated to me how  
9 Harriet's presence "lights up the room." And in  
10 Harriet's mind, Ed was a consummate professor of  
11 music, art and history. They learned much from  
12 each other and were a perfectly matched couple.

13 Ed's friends, many whom are present,  
14 will recollect participating with Harriet and  
15 him in cultural activities. They even went to  
16 the extent to organize a costume party where  
17 both men and women dressed in the authentic garb  
18 of personages like Benjamin Franklin, Thomas  
19 Jefferson and Dolly Madison. In preparation for  
20 this eulogy, I learned that Harriet considered  
21 Ed to be similar in appearance to Clark Kent,  
22 the civilian counterpart to Superman. She  
23 remarked to me that Ed was nicely built and like  
24 Kent, wore glasses. She thought Ed, like Kent,  
25 projected a professorial personality.



1                   There are several great pastoral  
2 elegies written in the English language. One of  
3 them is *Adonais*, where it's author, Percy Bysse  
4 Shelley, laments the death of his dear friend,  
5 John Keats. Now I will recite the opening lines  
6 from *Adonais*. This elegy is written in  
7 Spenserian stanza, which is difficult to recite,  
8 and I know Ed will forgive me if I falter.

9                   I weep for Adonais, he is dead. Oh,  
10 weep for Adonais. Though our tears thaw not the  
11 frost which binds so dear a head. And thou, sad  
12 hour, selected from all years to mourn our loss,  
13 rouse thy obscure compeers, and teach them thine  
14 own sorry, say, "With me died Adonais; till the  
15 future dares forget the past, his fate and fame  
16 shall be an echo and a light unto eternity."

17                   MR. DAIGLE: I want to thank all the  
18 speakers here today. One of the things I thought  
19 about every time I come here is that this is not  
20 just a celebration of life for our members, but  
21 it's a history class; not only on our members  
22 lives, the history of our city, of our county,  
23 and most importantly, of our profession.

24                   As I turn this ceremony back over to  
25 the Court, I'd like to share a quote by

1 Elisabeth Kübler-Ross that really represents all  
2 our dear friends as we say goodbye to them  
3 today. Once we've done all of our chores on this  
4 earth, we are allowed to throw off our bodies  
5 which our soul, like a cocoon, a butterfly holds  
6 captive. When the time is right, we can let our  
7 bodies go and we will be free from pain, from  
8 fears and worries, free as a butterfly who  
9 returns to God. Thank you, to the Court.

10 PRESIDENT JUDGE JOHNSON: Thank you,  
11 Attorney Daigle. Each member of the Court has  
12 treasured memories of those memorialized this  
13 morning. And the Court expresses its  
14 appreciation to the Bar Association for  
15 continuing this tradition, to Attorney Jenna  
16 Fliszar, the Chair of the Bar Memorials  
17 Committee, for her hard work in making this  
18 ceremony a success, and to the speakers who have  
19 so beautifully memorialized our departed  
20 colleagues.

21 They have helped to continue a great  
22 tradition. They've allowed us to share in the  
23 lives of our departed members and to be reminded  
24 of, or learn, some of the qualities we wish to  
25 emulate. We are grateful for the lives of those

1 we've honored today and for their commitment to  
2 the principles of justice that we share.

3 We thank you all for joining us  
4 today in remembrance and thought. And we  
5 especially thank the family members, friends and  
6 associates of our departed colleagues for  
7 sharing them with us. They have enriched our  
8 lives as well as yours.

9 The official court reporter is  
10 directed to transcribe the notes of testimony of  
11 these proceedings and make a digital copy of  
12 them available to the Bar Association of Lehigh  
13 County. And the Bar Association will publish the  
14 transcript on its homepage at [lehighbar.org](http://lehighbar.org), so  
15 that one may read, print or download it from  
16 that site.

17 Finally, the Bar Association of  
18 Lehigh County invites you to a coffee reception  
19 in the hallway directly outside the courtroom  
20 immediately after this ceremony. So at this  
21 time, we will adjourn this ceremony out of  
22 respect for our departed colleagues, in honor of  
23 the profession of law which they served and its  
24 honorable traditions in Lehigh County. Mr.  
25 Metzner, you may adjourn court.

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MR. METZNER: All rise, please. The following session is adjourned.  
(Whereupon, the Bar Memorial Ceremony has concluded.)

**CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that this transcript of proceedings is true and correct and meets the format specifications established by the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania in Rule 4010.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'B. Seese', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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