

February 9, 1937

Special meeting of the Franklin County Bar Association held February 9th, 1937, in the Court Room, Chambersburg, Pa.

Those present were T. K. Scheller, James Strite, Geo. W. Atherton, J. D. Benedict, T. Z. Minehart, George Wenger, D. Edw. Long, W. L. Minick, Millard A. Ullman, Daniel W. Long, William C. Hazlett, Stenger Diehl, Benjamin L. Heefner, John M. D. Sharpe, Paul M. Crider, Geo. Black, John R. Lashley, John R. Jackson, Isaac Winger.

In the absence of J. A. Strite, President, the meeting was called to order by Edmund C. Wingerd, Esq., Vice-president of Franklin County Bar Association, who stated the purpose of the meeting and spoke briefly of his friendship for and association with Charles H. Clippinger, the deceased.

J. Glenn Benedict, Esq., one of the Committee appointed to prepare appropriate resolutions upon the death of Mr. Clippinger, submitted the following resolutions:

"A minute adopted by the Franklin County Bar Association upon the death of the Honorable Charles H. Clippinger.

Charles H. Clippinger was born in Greencastle, Franklin County, Pennsylvania, on the 6th day of July, 1879 and died at his native place on Saturday, the 6th day of February, 1937.

He was a member of the Franklin County Bar as an active lawyer for thirty-two (32) years. In the legal parlance of the Commonwealth, the span of his life extended from the Chief Justiceship of George Sharswood to that of John W. Kephart. During the generation that Mr. Clippinger contributed his services to the County and the State as a lawyer and a man of public affairs, many important events

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 of Franklin County, from 1916 to December, 1930.  
 In the varied work of the quarterly Sessions and  
 the Oyer and Terminer, Mr. Clippinger moved with  
 an ease of manners, a familiarity and grace,  
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 plished lawyer in this field and as one thor-  
 oughly capable of representing the interests of  
 the Commonwealth. He was not only a worthy  
 foe for his colleagues to meet on the fore-  
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Zealous for the public welfare in the  
 prosecution of offenders he never stooped to  
 conquer, or to prostitute his office for personal  
 aggrandizement or self glorification, or to the  
 sacrifice of justice.

Mr. Clippinger was endowed by nature  
 with an affability of manner and a cheerfulness  
 of disposition, which gathered a host of loyal  
 friends and endeared him to his associates.

We of the Bar have been shocked at  
 his unlooked for departure and sincerely  
 mourn his loss.

Let this minute be recorded in our  
 proceedings, a copy sent to the family and  
 likewise to the press.

Respectfully submitted,

Wm R. Davison

J. W. Light

J. Glenn Benedict

Edwin D. Strite

A. J. White Hutton

Committee

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Mr. Benedict moved the adoption of the above

resolution).

Edwin D. Strite, Esq., seconded the motion and spoke briefly of his pleasant associations with Mr. Clippinger and his high regard for his ability.

Geo. W. Atherton, Esq., commented on the youth of the deceased brother and praised him for his excellent ability as a Criminal lawyer.

John M. D. Sharpe, Esq., on seconding the motion spoke of his last experience in opposing Mr. Clippinger in his last case as District Attorney of Franklin County.

The Vice-President, Edmund C. Wingerd, Esq., called for a vote on the resolution and the vote was unanimous in favor of the adoption of it.

It was moved by Mr. Atherton, and seconded by Mr. Jackson, that the meeting adjourn sine die.

J. M. D. Sharpe  
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