DONN L. SNYDER, ESQUIRE
MEMORIAL RESOLUTION

DAUPHIN COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION
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Court of Common Pleas, Dauphin County, Pennsylvania
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TO THE HONORABLE JUDGES OF THE COURT, our colleagues at the Bar,
and friends and family here today as we gather to celebrate the life of our colleague
and dear friend — Donn L. Snyder.

Donn Louis Snyder was born on February 26, 1926 in Williamsport,
Pennsylvania, the oldest son of Donald L. and Martha Schultz Snyder. Donn
played football at Ridgway High School, was Senior Class Vice-President, and
joined the Navy upon his graduation in 1944. Donn was a World War II veteran,
serving stateside with the Navy where he trained as an air traffic controller and
learned to fly.

After the Navy, Donn attended Grove City College, where he met and
married Sally Meyer, his wife of 70 years. They moved to Carlisle where Donn
obtained his LLB/JD from the Dickinson School of Law. Following law school,
Donn and Sally lived in Harrisburg, and then Camp Hill.

Donn practiced law for more than 60 years, and practiced into his 80s. He
was energized by close relationships with many colleagues and clients. Donn
began work during an era when an attorney could work as a “generalist,” taking on
an array of work in a wide array of substantive legal areas and could very capably represent and advise clients in the full range of their personal and business matters. Even starting with a “generalist’s” practice, Donn’s practice blossomed, including presenting a case to the United States Supreme Court.

Donn began his legal career with Daniels & Swope, where he became a partner, and began a long practice of representing various associations, dairies and producers before the Pennsylvania Milk Marketing Board, including representing the Pennsylvania Food Merchants Association. Donn later joined the firm of Berman & Boswell, and became a senior partner with Berman, Boswell, Snyder & Tintner, where he developed a lifelong friendship with Arthur Berman, William Boswell and Leonard Tintner. Donn was counsel to Capital Area Transit for the first 25 years of its existence, and served as Solicitor for the Borough of Camp Hill for more than 20 years, where he also served on the Zoning Hearing Board. Donn formed and represented the Modern Transit Partnership, and also represented the Tri-County Regional Planning Commission. Donn served as counsel to the Greater Harrisburg Board of Realtors for many years during which time he created many of the real estate forms that are the basis of those documents today.

No reflection on the professional life of Donn Snyder would be complete without recognizing his long time paralegal, colleague and friend, Maronetta Miller. Donn met Maronetta in 1973, shortly after she graduated from high school,
and immediately recognized her potential. Donn and Maronetta worked together literally for decades, and together were known as a professional, dependable team. Donn encouraged and mentored Maronetta, including supporting her with the organization Executive Women International.

Donn was an avid Penn State fan, making the trip over the years to many football games in Happy Valley.

Donn was known as a man of integrity, faith, honor and loyalty. He was devoted to his family and friends. He was committed to his faith and career, and proudly served his country.

Donn passed away on February 14, 2018.

We will miss Donn, but will also fondly remember him because he was a friend to many. He was a shining example of a gentleman attorney, and epitomized the collegiality that attorneys strive to make a part of the profession.

And so BE IT RESOLVED that the Bar Association mourns the death of Donn L. Snyder, and extends to his wife, Sally, and his children Joyce Rappaport, Dr. Barbara Nepom, David Snyder, and Nancy Snyder, his grandchildren, great-grandchildren and other family and friends, our deepest sympathies. AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial resolution be placed on the records of the Dauphin County Courts and the Dauphin County Bar Association,
that the original be filed in the Office of the Prothonotary, and that copies be transmitted to his family.

SECONDING RESOLUTION – While some contemporaries referred to him as Donn, the vast majority of colleagues and clients referred to him as “Mr. Snyder.” Mr. Snyder was a member of the greatest generation, who not only fought in World War II, but as it relates specifically to the bar was part of a generation that epitomized the practice of law as an honorable profession, career and fabric of their lives.

Mr. Snyder came to what was then Saul, Ewing, Remick and Saul in 1997, along with Maronetta Miller, several years after the firm opened a Harrisburg office, primarily with attorneys leaving the administration of Governor Robert Casey. Mr. Snyder joining Saul Ewing helped grow an amazing connection between the firm and the Harrisburg community. Mr. Snyder was active in the community throughout his life, and chaired or served on the Board of numerous business, civic, and charitable organizations through the years. He was a member and president of the Tuesday Club, a board member and treasurer of the Presbyterian Apartments, a board member and president of the West Shore Country Club, and a member of the Rotary Club, among others. He was a 66 year member of the Pine Street Presbyterian Church, where through the years he served
in various capacities as Deacon, Trustee and Elder, and organized a Sunday School class for young adults.

While Mr. Snyder was a man of quiet strength, his profile in the community stood tall. When Saul Ewing moved to new offices in 1998 and sought to have the Patriot News cover it, the paper agreed on one condition – that Mr. Snyder be part of the story and appear in a picture. The firm has a copy of that article and picture hanging on the walls of its office to this day.

Beyond being a talented attorney, Mr. Snyder was a collegial co-worker, and shared with others his joy in practicing law. He had a quick, dry wit, and was sure to put a smile on the face of anybody in the office whom he encountered.

Mr. Snyder was known for his relationships with friends and colleagues, and sometimes that relationship showed signs of a bygone era. Mr. Snyder was occasionally known to gather with colleagues for a lunch to include one, two or sometimes three drinks of Scotch. Mr. Snyder like Cutty Sark Scotch, and in his honor the Bar Association has included some in the “Last Call Reception” following this ceremony in the Lawyer’s Lounge. We hope that you will join us in raising a toast to honor Mr. Snyder, and celebrate a life well lived, a storied legal career, and a legacy of faith, family and friends.
Respectfully submitted,

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