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DEDICATION

DEAN RICHARD E. WALCK*

It is with great pleasure and sincere appreciation that the Editors and Staff of the William and Mary Law Review dedicate Volume Twenty-Six of this Review to Dean Richard E. Walck, on the occasion of his retirement. This dedication reflects not only the Review’s respect and appreciation for the gentleman we know as “the Colonel,” but also the respect and appreciation of the Torts and Criminal Law students whose lives the Colonel has touched over the past fourteen years.


Line Officer, United States Air Force, 1942-1948. Staff Judge Advocate, United States Air Force, 1951-1970. Air Force assignments included: Chief, International Law Division, Office of the Judge Advocate General; Staff Judge Advocate, Defense Atomic Support Agency; Staff Judge Advocate, Pacific Air Forces; and Staff Judge Advocate, Tactical Air Command. Military honors included the Legion of Merit with two oak leaf clusters.

Assistant Professor of Law, 1970-1972; Associate Professor of Law, 1972-1975; Professor of Law, 1975-1984; Associate Dean for Administration, 1981-1984, College of William and Mary, Marshall-Wythe School of Law. Chairman of the William and Mary College-wide Discipline Committee, 1974-1984. Subjects: Torts I; Torts II; Criminal Law; Legal Profession; International Law; International Business Transactions; Criminal Procedure; Military Law; and Agency and Partnership. Publications: Co-authored and directed COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS OF AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION STANDARDS FOR CRIMINAL JUSTICE with VIRGINIA LAWS, RULES AND LEGAL PRACTICE (1954); co-authored DEFENDING CRIMINAL CASES IN VIRGINIA (1981); co-authored PRIVATE RIGHTS AND PUBLIC FORUMS: CLASSIFYING PLAINTIFFS IN VIRGINIA DEFAMATION SUITS, Virginia Bar Association Journal (Fall 1981).
The Colonel's contributions to the students of Marshall-Wythe will endure long after his retirement. For most Marshall-Wythe students, the Colonel personified the Law School from the first day of orientation. If you came from another state, he made you believe that Virginia was exactly as you had pictured it. Even if you had spent your life in Virginia, the Colonel made you feel more in touch with the rich tradition and genuine hospitality of the Old Dominion.

For the majority of every first-year class, contact with the Colonel continued long after the first day of orientation. When most first-years assembled in a large lecture-hall for Torts I class, it was always the Colonel who appeared before the class, seemingly tireless in his efforts to guide would-be lawyers through Intentional Torts and into Negligence. We will all remember him for his anecdotes that made us a bit less terrified of being called on during those first few tentative weeks, and we will also remember that he required us to stand when we finally had to answer. In the end, we knew we would always laugh at the telephone operator story, the drill sergeant defamation story and the mention of the "B" outline, but we also knew we would never be left out of the discussion of Palsgraf, New York Times or MacPherson.

The Colonel's contributions to Marshall-Wythe went far beyond the anecdotes and real life examples in class. In the Colonel, law students found an advisor, a sympathetic ear, an able administrator, and a good friend. Whether you had to stay in the building after midnight to finish a brief, or needed to reschedule an exam, or wanted to start a new organization, the Colonel was the man to see. Best of all, when you needed some sound advice, a "curbstone opinion," as he called it, the Colonel was your man.

We dedicate this volume to him.

The Editors