

RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION MEMORIALIZING THE LATE BRIAN R. JONES

WHEREAS, Brian R. Jones died on September 28, 2018 in Roanoke, Virginia at the age of 64; and

WHEREAS, Brian R. Jones was born to John Norville Jones and Jacqueline W. Jones and was raised in Alexandria, Virginia along with his sister Sandy and his brother Blair; and

WHEREAS, Brian R. Jones attended T.C. Williams High School, The Capitol Page School and graduated high school from The Canterbury School in Accokeek, Maryland and then graduated from Boston University *magna cum laude* in 1976 and then from the College of William and Mary School of Law in 1981, after which he was admitted to the Virginia State Bar; and

WHEREAS, Brian R. Jones served as law clerk to the Honorable Albert V. Bryan, Jr. of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia; and

WHEREAS, Brian R. Jones began his practice of law at Woods, Rogers and Hazelgrove as an associate and then as a valued partner at that firm; and

WHEREAS, Brian R. Jones then joined with his friends to form Fishwick, Jones and Glenn, which later became Jones, Glenn & Robinson (now Glenn Robinson Cathey Memmer & Skaff); and

WHEREAS, Brian R. Jones decided in 2004 that he had had enough law practice for a while and went to work at Woodcraft Supply Company which, along with Home Depot and Lowes, had been his toy store up until that point; and

WHEREAS, Brian R. Jones then decided that he missed the practice of law and he joined the Virginia Division of Child Support Enforcement as a staff attorney; and

WHEREAS, Brian R. Jones was a frequent lecturer to lawyers across the Commonwealth on topics involving the relationship of defense counsel, the insured and insurer; insurance law for Virginia practitioners, ethics and federal trial practice; and

WHEREAS, Brian R. Jones, in addition to an extensive trial practice specializing in insurance defense, products liability and personal injury litigation, appeared frequently before the Supreme Court of Virginia; and

WHEREAS, Brian R. Jones was highly regarded by his colleagues in the Roanoke Bar Association for his tenacity and advocacy on behalf of his clients' interests; and

WHEREAS, Brian R. Jones was a renaissance man with many passions in life as an avid and highly skilled woodworker; builder and renovator; gardener; sailor; pool hustler and poker player; world traveler; and voracious reader of history and politics; and

WHEREAS, Brian R. Jones always sought out new adventures throughout his life; and

WHEREAS, Brian R. Jones was an epicure with a highly developed taste for food and wine (though he did love his Budweiser), yet was still able to stay thin; and

WHEREAS, Brian R. Jones along with his friends was able to help keep Billy's Ritz and Alexander's in business for many years; and

WHEREAS, Brian R. Jones loved his Porsche and MG, yet seemed more comfortable in his beat-up pickup truck; and

WHEREAS, Brian R. Jones is survived by his loving wife, Marni; by daughters, Jane Plyler and her husband Erik and Suzy Stoneburner and her husband Davis; grandchildren, Davis Plyler, Fenley Plyler and Annette Garrison Stoneburner; by his mother, Jacqueline W. Jones; his sister, Sandy Pearce and her husband Rick; his brother, Blair Jones and his wife Sara; and many nieces and nephews;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Roanoke Bar Association does hereby express its deepest sympathy to the family of Brian R. Jones and does hereby recognize his distinguished career and service to the public and to the Bar.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be furnished to the Circuit Courts of the City and County of Roanoke and the City of Salem and the United States District Court for the Western District of Virginia, Roanoke Division, with motions that the resolution be spread upon the permanent common law order books of those courts; and that copies of this resolution be furnished to Brian R. Jones' family to communicate the esteem in which the Roanoke Bar Association holds Brian and his memory and the Association's sorrow at his passing.

GIVEN under the hands of the president and secretary of the Roanoke Bar Association and the seal of the Association this 12th day of February, 2019.

J. Lee E. Osborne, Esq. President, Roanoke Bar Association

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