

*Memorial Ceremony*  
OF THE  
SPRINGFIELD METROPOLITAN BAR ASSOCIATION



Thursday, December 11, 2014, 3:00 p.m.  
Greene County Judicial Facility  
1010 Boonville  
Division Four Courtroom

*In remembrance of*



Marily Braun

Robert Jones

James McLeod

The Honorable Mark Orr

James Sharp

Wallace Squibb

## PROGRAM



Convening of Court	Jim Arnott Greene County Sheriff
Call to Order	The Honorable Thomas Mountjoy Presiding Judge
Welcome	Dwayne Fulk SMBA President
Presiding	Mark McQueary SMBA President-Elect
Resolution Authors	Judge Calvin Holden for Marily Braun Crista Hogan for Robert Jones Darynne O'Neal for James McLeod Laura Johnson for Judge Mark Orr Bill Wear for James Sharp Brian Hamburg for Wallace Squibb
Presentation of Resolutions	Emma Schuering SMBA Secretary
Accepting Resolutions	David Richards Missouri State University Archives



MEMORIAL RESOLUTION OF THE  
SPRINGFIELD METROPOLITAN BAR ASSOCIATION  
IN RECOGNITION OF MARILY ANN BRAUN

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Springfield Metropolitan Bar Association in a Memorial Service on the 11th day of December, 2014, expresses its profound and deep sorrow upon the April 12, 2014 death of one of its distinguished members, Marily Braun.

Marily was born on December 9, 1950 in Sitka, Alaska, where her father and mother were Presbyterian missionaries. She attended school in Springfield, graduating from Parkview High School in 1968. After earning her undergraduate degree, she began law school at the University of Missouri in Columbia, Missouri. After law school, Marily worked as the first Assistant Prosecuting Attorney hired by the Honorable Thomas Mountjoy, to concentrate on the handling of child support prosecutions.

Marily left the Prosecutor's Office and was associated with the law firm of Daniel, Clampett for several years. She later went into sole practice and dedicated her law practice to juvenile and domestic law. She was known as an unwavering advocate for children and parents' rights in the juvenile justice system.

Marily's life was marked by her love for family and friends, her absolute passion for the humane treatment of all animals, and working tirelessly to prevent inhumane treatment to animals. Marily was preceded in death by her parents, Rev. James and Dorothy Robinson. Marily is survived by her husband, Bob Edmondson, daughter Stephanie and her partner Lauren, the light of her life, her granddaughter Chapin, and by her extended family of a brother and two sisters.

Marily will be remembered for her intelligence, her wisdom, her lively interest in the world around her, her unusual sense of humor, her commitment to social justice, and her kindness and compassion. She never hesitated to speak up for what was right and was a strong advocate for children and animals. Marily had a fine analytical mind and a broad range of interests, yet she was happiest spending time with her loved ones and doing simple things: working in the garden, taking care of her animals, going on rides at the fair with Chapin, and taking drives with Bob to see the sunset at Fellows Lake. Marily rejected the idea of "battling" cancer; rather, she thought it made more sense to maximize her quality of life by learning how to live with cancer, and she lived well beyond the expectations from her initial prognosis.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Springfield Metropolitan Bar Association hereby recognizes the achievements of Marily Ann Braun. To perpetuate the esteem in which she was held by this Association, it is ORDERED that this resolution be placed in the permanent records of the Association, that a copy hereof be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Judicial Circuit 31, and that a copy hereof be given to her family with the sincere sympathy and respect of the members of the Association.

This Resolution is duly adopted December 11, 2014.

MEMORIAL RESOLUTION OF THE  
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IN RECOGNITION OF ROBERT LESLIE “BOB” JONES

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Springfield Metropolitan Bar Association in a Memorial Service on the 11th day of December, 2014, expresses its profound and deep sorrow upon the death of one of its distinguished members, Robert Leslie “Bob” Jones.

Bob Jones was born November 26, 1925 in Evanston, Illinois. He attended and distinguished himself at some of the most prestigious institutions in the country, graduating from Phillips Exeter and Harvard University. In 1951, he graduated with honors from law school at the University of Michigan.

Following law school Bob moved his family to Billings, Montana, where he climbed mountains and practiced law under a variety of interesting conditions until 1959 at which time the family relocated to the Chicago area. In Chicago, Bob worked at the Sidley & Austin Law Firm concentrating in the areas of railroad and utilities law.

In the late 1960’s Bob’s personal and professional life once again drew him west, where he taught at the University of Idaho Law School and spent summers as a ranger in Yellowstone Park. In Idaho, Bob was appointed and briefly served as a circuit court judge. In the late 1970’s, Bob moved to Portland, Oregon to work for the Booneville Power Administration, an agency of the United States Department of Energy. He litigated a variety of cases for BPA, some of which concerned power line safety and nuclear power plants. Bob was shop steward for his union and served as an arbitrator for the region’s Better Business Bureau for many years. He retired from paid employment in 2004, driving to his new home in Springfield via the western and southern states.

Bob never practiced in Missouri, but he quickly became an active and dedicated member of the Springfield Metropolitan Bar. He attended every monthly lunch meeting and nearly every SMBA CLE, regardless of the subject matter. When the guest speaker asked “Can you hear me okay without the microphone?,” Bob was the one in the back of the room who would respond emphatically, “NO.” Bob was a master conversationalist with a sharp wit and dry sense of humor and he quickly made many friends in this community and bar.

Bob valued self sufficiency and civic contribution and he demonstrated his beliefs through actions. He took his children mountain climbing to teach them self reliance; to carry what was needed but nothing more, and regardless of obstacles, to continue moving forward. In his mid 60’s, Bob stopped climbing mountains, but he never stopped giving back to his community. He gave generously of his time and talent, serving countless committees, commissions and causes throughout his life and until his death. Ultimately, Bob believed that we are defined by how we choose to use our time, hour by hour, day by day. Bob chose the mountains, family, community, books, music, church and excellent desserts.

Bob was survived by his wife, Donna; his sister, Carolyn; and by his children: Liliias, Robert G., Eric and Gunther; and by 16 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Springfield Metropolitan Bar Association hereby recognizes the achievements of Robert Leslie “Bob” Jones. To perpetuate the esteem in which he was held by this Association, it is ORDERED that this resolution be placed in the permanent records of the Association, that a copy hereof be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Judicial Circuit 31, and that a copy hereof be given to his family with the sincere sympathy and respect of the members of the Association.

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IN RECOGNITION OF JAMES F. McLEOD

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Springfield Metropolitan Bar Association in a Memorial Service on the 11th day of December, 2014, expresses its profound and deep sorrow upon the death of one of its distinguished members, James F. McLeod.

Jim McLeod was born on November 28, 1946 in Hibbing, Minnesota to Edythe and Reverend Robert McLeod. He attended the University of Nebraska in Lincoln where he graduated in 1970. After earning his undergraduate degree, he attended law school at Washburn University where he graduated in 1974 with honors. In late 1974, Jim, his wife Jan, and their firstborn daughter, moved to Springfield where Jim began his legal career with Commerce Bank in the Trust Department as a trust officer. While there, Jim developed an expertise in employee benefits law.

After working at Commerce until late 1978, Jim joined the Miller & Sanford law firm which was the predecessor to the Springfield office of Lathrop & Gage. Jim quickly developed a reputation as one of the deans of the specialized area of employee benefits law. His practice included the design and drafting of all types of employee benefit plans such as profit sharing, 401(k), employee pension, stock ownership, non-qualified deferred compensation, cafeteria and stock option plans. Jim frequently represented employers before the IRS and the Department of Labor in ERISA matters. He also had an extensive estate planning practice representing individuals and families in preparation of wills and trusts and related documents and assisting individuals and corporate trustees and personal representatives in the administration of trusts and estates.

Jim's life was marked by his love for his wife of 49 years, Janice McLeod, their children and grandchildren, and by his dedicated service to his community. Jim was an inspiration and an example of how to help people and give back to the world around him. He served on the boards of the American Red Cross, The Regional Girls' Shelter, The Good Samaritan Boys Ranch, Springfield Catholic Schools, Legal Aid Council, and The Community Blood Center. He was a member and past president of the Greene County Estate Planning Council and a Leadership Missouri alumni. He was very active in Rotary and was the past president of the Rotary Club of Springfield Southeast and past District Governor of Rotary International. Jim exemplified the Rotary motto of "service above self" in his legal career and in his dedication to his community.

Jim also had a multitude of hobbies and interests over the years. He was a gourmet cook and read cookbooks for pleasure. He had an extensive model railroad setup and made many of the components by hand. He tied his own trout flies. In recent years he had gotten into cowboy shooting and he loaded his own shells and cartridges. He always had something interesting to discuss and he is and will be greatly missed. Jim is survived by his wife Jan, daughters Carol McLeod, Erin Fulton, and Susan McLeod, son John McLeod, and two grandchildren, Isaac and Paige.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Springfield Metropolitan Bar Association hereby recognizes the achievements of James F. McLeod. To perpetuate the esteem in which he was held by this Association, it is ORDERED that this resolution be placed in the permanent records of the Association, that a copy hereof be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Judicial Circuit 31, and that a copy hereof be given to his family with the sincere sympathy and respect of the members of the Association.

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MEMORIAL RESOLUTION OF THE  
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IN RECOGNITION OF THE HONORABLE MARK E. ORR

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Springfield Metropolitan Bar Association in a Memorial Service on the 11th day of December, 2014, expresses its profound and deep sorrow upon the death of one of its distinguished members, the Honorable Mark E. Orr.

Judge Orr was born April 23, 1960, in Springfield, Missouri, the son of Estle and Rovenia Orr. He graduated from Hillcrest High School in Springfield and received an undergraduate degree from Drury College where he was a member of the Kappa Alpha Order. He attended law school at the University of Missouri at Columbia. Following law school, Judge Orr served as a law clerk for the Missouri Court of Appeals Southern District before joining the law firm of Pool, Smith and Wieland in Springfield.

In 1988, Judge Orr opened a law office on the square in Ozark, where he had a private practice for the next fourteen years. In 1994, Judge Orr was elected Prosecuting Attorney for the City of Ozark. He also served as City Attorney for the City of Ozark and as Municipal Judge for the City of Clever. In 2002, he was elected Associate Circuit Judge for Christian County, Missouri. In 2006, he was elected Circuit Judge of the 38th Judicial Circuit consisting of Christian and Taney Counties. He was re-elected in 2012 and served until his death. Judge Orr was honored posthumously with the Theodore McMillian Judicial Excellence Award, an award to recognize jurists who, by virtue of their integrity, leadership and diligence in the pursuit of the efficient administration of justice, inspire other members of the judiciary to similar purpose.

During his professional career, Judge Orr was an active member of the Missouri Bar where he served on the Board of Governors, the Springfield Metropolitan Bar Association, the Christian County Bar Association and the Circuit Judges Association. He also valued the opportunity to give back to his community by serving on the Board of the Ozark Chamber of Commerce, the COMET Drug Task Force and the Finley River Community Foundation. He taught classes as an Adjunct Faculty Member at Drury University.

Judge Orr ruled from the bench with dignity and a quiet authority. He treated litigants and attorneys with respect. He was known as a compassionate, knowledgeable and fair jurist. He was a gentleman in every sense of the word, both on and off the bench.

On September 6, 1997, Judge Orr married Sarah Taylor Adams of Ozark. They have two children, Emily and Mary. Judge Orr was a devoted family man whose favorite activity was spending time with his wife and children. He also enjoyed the outdoor activities such as hunting on his property south of Ozark.

Judge Orr was preceded in death by his parents and a nephew, Shannon Nichols. He is survived by his wife Sarah; his daughters Emily Taylor Orr and Mary Taylor "Mimi" Orr; his sister Pauletta Dunn-Remmark and her husband Lynn and eight children; and his great-nieces and nephews.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Springfield Metropolitan Bar Association hereby recognizes the achievements of the Honorable Mark E. Orr. To perpetuate the esteem in which he was held by this Association, it is ORDERED that this resolution be placed in the permanent records of the Association, that a copy hereof be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Judicial Circuit 31, and that a copy hereof be given to his family with the sincere sympathy and respect of the members of the Association.

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MEMORIAL RESOLUTION OF THE  
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IN RECOGNITION OF JAMES R. SHARP

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Springfield Metropolitan Bar Association in a Memorial Service on the 11th day of December, 2014, expresses its profound and deep sorrow upon the death of one of its distinguished members, James R. "Jim" Sharp.

Jim was born on September 13th, 1963, to Franklin and Elizabeth Sharp in Kellogg, Idaho. Jim grew up in Salem, Missouri where he was an Eagle Scout and graduated from Salem High School. Jim received his BA from Drury College in 1985 and attended the University of Missouri, Columbia, School of Law, graduating with honors with a J.D. in 1988. Jim moved to Springfield, Missouri in 1988 and began his career with the law firm of Wear, Keeter, Karchmer, Nelms & Kirby practicing family law and in 1999 Jim and Karsten Bredesen formed the law firm of Sharp & Bredesen.

Jim had a family law litigation, mediation and appellate practice and spent a good deal of his time performing Pro Bono services. His Pro Bono services were publically acknowledged in 2013 when he was honored by receiving the Missouri Bar Young Lawyers' Section Pro Bono Award and again in 2014 when he received the Missouri Bar Pro Bono Publico Award. Jim earned the respect of fellow attorneys, judges and clients by being hard working, thorough, well prepared, trust-worthy, conscientious and courteous.

Jim also assisted both the Missouri Bar and the Springfield Metropolitan Bar Association by serving on and chairing bar committees and presenting continuing education programs. Jim was the recipient of the Springfield Metropolitan Bar Equal Access to Justice Award and was active in community projects and organizations including the Greene County Mental Health Association, the Greene County Family Violence Shelter, the United Way of the Ozarks and the Civil War Round Table of the Ozarks.

Survivors include his brother, Gregory R. Sharp of Tucson, Arizona; sister, Patricia L. Brown and brother-in-law, David Brown, of Belize City, Belize; step-son, Lathan Glaser and his mother, Venecia Poirot, of Republic, Missouri; nephews, Jeremy A. Brown of San Jose, California and Nathaniel J. Brown of Boston, Massachusetts; and niece, Maria Brown Coleman of Euclid, Ohio.

In every respect, Jim was a definite credit to the profession of law, to Springfield, and to this association.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Springfield Metropolitan Bar Association hereby recognizes the achievements of James R. Sharp. To perpetuate the esteem in which he was held by this Association, it is ORDERED that this resolution be placed in the permanent records of the Association, that a copy hereof be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Judicial Circuit 31, and that a copy hereof be given to his family with the sincere sympathy and respect of the members of the Association.

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## MEMORIAL RESOLUTION OF THE SPRINGFIELD METROPOLITAN BAR ASSOCIATION IN RECOGNITION OF WALLACE STANLEY SQUIBB

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Springfield Metropolitan Bar Association, in a Memorial Service on the 11th day of December, 2014, expresses its profound and deep sorrow upon the death on December 19, 2013, of one of its distinguished members, Wallace Stanley Squibb.

Those who knew Wallace best will remember him as a person of extraordinary ability, compassion and generosity.

Wallace was born in Springfield, Missouri, on July 12, 1967, the son of Christine Peterson Squibb and John Wallace Squibb. He spent his childhood on the family's farm near Bois D' Arc, Missouri. Surrounded by dozens of foster brothers and sisters throughout his early years, he was raised in a home in which giving to others was a way of life.

He was a gifted athlete and student. While in high school, Wallace competed in varsity athletics, and competed on the school's history and math teams. He was active in the local 4-H program, and served as President of Missouri 4-H in 1984. In 1985, he graduated from Ash Grove High School, moved off of the family farm, and attended Grinnell College, receiving his B.A. in Economics in 1989. He was a four year letterman and captain of both the football and baseball teams, and a two year letterman of the basketball team.

Wallace went on to earn his Juris Doctorate, with honors, from Washburn University in 1992. There, he served as an Associate Editor of the Law Journal and member of the Moot Court Board, and was an American Jurisprudence Award recipient. Wallace went on to earn his M.B.A. in 1995 from Drury University Breech School of Business.

After graduating from law school, Wallace returned to Springfield and began his career working as a law clerk for the Honorable Russell G. Clark, United States District Court Judge. Among the many projects assigned to Wallace while working for Judge Clark was the Kansas City school desegregation case, which was of special significance to him, having been raised with many foster and adopted siblings of color. After his federal clerkship, Wallace worked as an associate attorney, and then a partner, with Turner, Reid, Duncan, Loomer & Patton, in Springfield, where he practiced automotive product liability defense from 1994 through 2008. He tried lawsuits throughout the United States. Wallace practiced in state and federal courts, and was a member of the Federal Practice Committee for the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Missouri. In 2008, he started the Squibb Law Firm, opening offices in Springfield and Ash Grove, Missouri.

Throughout his busy practice of law, Wallace was a dedicated family man. He married Amy Buchli in 1993, and together, they had two boys, Wallace, Jr. and Will. Wallace shared with his family his love of hunting, sports, and the outdoors. He was a coach for the sports teams of his sons, and was very proud of his family.

Wallace gave generously of his time to improve the legal profession. In 1999, Wallace served as the Young Lawyer's Section representative to the Missouri Bar Board of Governors, and was elected as a full member of the Missouri Bar Board of Governors in 2000, serving continuously for twelve additional years. He served on various committees, including the executive committee, and he assisted in planning the Missouri Bar Annual Meeting, as well as studying and evaluating countless proposals by the committees of the Missouri Bar to sponsor legislation to improve the law.

Wallace gave compassionately. He regularly took time away from his own leisure and personal life in an effort to benefit his community and his clients. Wallace became president of the Springfield Metropolitan Bar Association just as a crisis was developing in the Missouri State Public Defender's office, leaving those accused of criminal matters without legal representation, when they could not afford a lawyer. Under his leadership, the SMBA established and organized an ad hoc Public Defender Committee, training dozens of local attorneys and assigning cases among them to ensure that indigent defendants were afforded basic, no-cost representation by a volunteer lawyer. This program was recognized by the Chief Justice of the Missouri Supreme Court in the State of the Judiciary address on the floor of the Missouri General Assembly as a successful and innovative program that should be a model for the rest of the State.

Wallace strongly believed in the cause of ensuring that those in need of legal service would have a lawyer. He gave countless hours of pro bono legal service so that members of his community would have basic access to justice.

Wallace Stanley Squibb was a capable advocate, a committed family man, and a compassionate human being. He will be missed.

Wallace was survived by his mother, Christine Peterson Squibb, his loving wife, Amy, and their two sons, Wallace, Jr. and Will; as well as brothers, Lee Squibb and Mark Vert, sister Elizabeth Squibb, and his loyal bird dog, Bacchus.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Springfield Metropolitan Bar Association hereby recognizes the achievements of Wallace Stanley Squibb. To perpetuate the esteem in which he was held by this Association, it is ORDERED that this resolution be placed in the permanent records of this Association, that a copy hereof be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Judicial Circuit 31, and that a copy hereof be given to his family with the sincere sympathy and respect of the members of the Association.

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