

## **Chief Justice George W. Maxey**

1878-1950

### **Term**

November 24, 1930-March 20, 1950; Chief Justice January 4, 1943-March 20, 1950

### **Education**

- University of Michigan, B.A., 1902
- University of Pennsylvania Law School, LL.B., 1906

### **Professional Experience**

- Admitted to Lackawanna County Bar, 1906
- Practiced law in Scranton, PA, 1906-1914
- District Attorney, Lackawanna County, 1914-1920
- Elected Judge, Court of Common Pleas of Lackawanna County, November 1919
- Judge, Court of Common Pleas of Lackawanna County, 1920-1930
- Governor John Fisher nominated Maxey, Justice, Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, commissioned on November 24, 1930; elected full-term in November 1930
- Died in Office, March 20, 1950

### **Honors and Awards**

- Honorary LL.D. degree: University of Pennsylvania, Temple University, The Citadel, and Military Institute of South Carolina

### **Memberships and Associations**

- Owned Easton Free Press as an outlet for his editorial abilities and business sagacity, 1925
- Delegate of the Republican National Convention in 1920, 1924, and 1948

### **Publications**

- Dissenting Opinion Filed on October 9, 1931, by George W. Maxey ... as a Justice of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania in the Case of Kraemer Hosiery Company and Arthur G. Schmidt v. American Federation of Full Fashioned Hosiery Workers, Lewis Francis Budenz, Et. Al (1931)
- Jury Trials on Charges of Violating Injunctions: the First Decision of a State Supreme Court Upholding the Right to Jury Trial for Alleged Violation of Injunctions (1935)
- The Problem in 1787 and How It was Met. 23 no. 10 ABA J. 745 (Oct. 1937)
- The Descent to a Dictatorship: An Hour May Lay It in the Dust. 4 Vital Speeches of the Day 746 (October 1, 1938)
- Address, Washington D. Brandon Honored at Dinner Held on 100th Birthday, 95 no. 45 Pittsburgh L.J. 4 (November 8, 1947)
- In Reply. 14 Pa. B. Assn. Q. 205 (1942-1943)
- The Late Justice William M. Parker. 15 Pa. B. Assn. Q. 98 (1943-1944)
- The Equilibrium Between Liberty and Government. 15 Pa. B. Assn. Q. 201 (1943-1944)
- Jeremiah S. Black. 17 Pa. B. Assn. Q. 164 (1945-1946)
- A Super-State is Neither Attainable Nor Desirable. 18 Pa. B. Assn. Q. 24 (1946-1947)
- The Charters of American Freedom. 95 no. 47 Pittsburgh L.J. 9 (November 22, 1947)

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