

## **Chief Justice Charles A. Jones**

1887-1966

### **Term**

Justice, 1945-1956; Chief Justice, December 29, 1956–July 31, 1961

### **Education**

- Williams College
- Dickinson School of Law, LL.B. degree, 1909

### **Professional Experience**

- Admitted Pennsylvania bar, 1910; Allegheny County bar, June 3, 1911
- Sterritt, Atcheson, and Jones, 1912-1939
- American Ambulance Service, French Army, 1917
- U.S. Navy Aviation Ensign, 1918-1919
- Councilman, Edgeworth, Pennsylvania
- Special Counsel, Pennsylvania Public Service Commission, 1935
- Solicitor, Allegheny County, PA, 1936-1938
- Unsuccessful Democratic Candidate for Governor, 1938
- President Franklin D. Roosevelt appointed Jones, Judge, Third Circuit Court of Appeals, confirmed on July 18, 1939, received commission on July 25, 1939, served from July 25, 1939-December 31, 1944 (resigned)
- Elected Justice, Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, November 1944
- Retired on July 31, 1961
- Senior Advisor, Morgan, Lewis and Bockius, 1962–1966

### **Honors and Awards**

- Honorary LL.D. degree, Dickinson School of Law
- Cited for heroism when serving as volunteer for the ambulance service with the French Army.

### **Memberships and Associations**

- American, Pennsylvania, Allegheny County, Philadelphia Bar Associations
- Pennsylvania Amendment Proposal Committee, 1963
- Trustee, Dickinson School of Law
- Director, Sewickley Academy

### **Publications**

- State Rules of Evidence and Federal Criminal Trials. 15 Pa. B. Assn. Q. 128 (1943-1944)
- The Backlog of Untried Cases. 28 Pa. B. Assn. Q 327 (1956-1957)

### **Sources**

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