

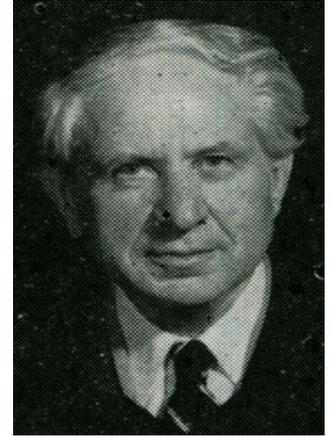
Justice Michael A. Musmanno
1897-1968

Term

January 1952 to October 12, 1968

Education

- George Washington University, B.A., M.A.
- Georgetown University Law School, LL.B., 1918
- National University, Master of Patents Law and LL.M.
- American University, S.J.D.
- University of Rome, Doctor of Jurisprudence, 1924
- Postgraduate work at Harvard, Oxford and Notre Dame Universities



Professional Experience

- U.S. Army, World War I
- Member, Pennsylvania House of Representatives, 1929, 1931 regular and special sessions
- Elected Judge, County Court of Allegheny County, November 1931
- Judge, County Court of Allegheny County, January 1932-January 1934
- Elected, Judge, Court of Common Pleas of Allegheny County, November 1933; re-elected November 1943
- Judge, Court of Common Pleas of Allegheny County, January 1934-January 1952
- Lieutenant Commander, Commander, Captain, United States Navy, World War II
- President of the United States-Soviet Commission on Forcible Repatriation of Soviet Citizens, 1944-1947
- Judge, Nuremberg Military Tribunal II, 1947
- Elected Justice, Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, November 1951
- Died in Office, October 12, 1968

Honors and Awards

- World War II: Legion of Merit; Bronze Star for Valor; Purple Heart; Army Commendation Ribbon; Marine Good Conduct Ribbon; Navy Expert Pistol Shot; Italian Silver Medal of War; Italian Air Force Observer Badge
- Most Outstanding American of Italian Lineage, Unione Abbruzzese, 1956
- Gold Medal of Achievement, Italo-American Society of Boston, 1956
- Pope Paul VI awards Ecumenical Council Medal, 1966

Memberships and Associations

- Delta Sigma Rho Fraternity
- Psi Chi Omega Fraternity

Publications

- Proposed Amendments to the Constitution: A Monograph on the Resolutions Introduced in Congress Proposing Amendments to the Constitution (1929)
- Does Man Live Again?: A Debate on Immortality Between Judge M. A. Musmanno and Clarence Darrow, Held at Carnegie Music Hall, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, December 12, 1932 (1932)
- After Twelve Years (1939)
- Ascoltate il fiume. Romanzo (1940?)
- Military Tribunal II: The United States of America Against Oswald Pohl., defendants, Concurring Opinion (1945?)
- General Mark W. Clark, The Man and the Soldier (1946), translated into Italian as Il Generale Mark W. Clark

- l'uomo e Il Soldato ; La Guerra: non l'ho voluta io (1947)
- Listen to the River (1948)
- Ten Days to Die (1950)
- Across the Street From the Courthouse (1954)
- Justice Musmanno Dissents: the Dissenting Opinions of Justice Michael A. Musmanno, Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, Filed During the Period January, 1952 to September, 1955 (1956)
- Verdict: the Adventures of the Young Lawyer in the Brown Suit (1958)
- The Eichmann Kommandos (1961)
- The Death Sentence in the Case of Adolf Eichmann: a Letter to His Excellency Itzhak Benjvi, President of Israel, Jerusalem (1962)
- Eulogy to President John F. Kennedy: Delivered before the Civic Forum of the State of New York at Memorial Services Commemorating the First Anniversary of the Martyrdom of President Kennedy, Hotel Statler Hilton, New York City, November 22, 1964 (1964)
- An American Replies to a Defamation of the Italians (1965)
- The Story of Italians in America (1965)
- Black Fury (1966)
- Columbus WAS First (1966)
- That's My Opinion (1966?)
- The Glory and the Dream: Abraham Lincoln, Before and After Gettysburg (1967)

Articles

- A Philadelphia Lawyer in the Roman Courts. 74 no. 31 Pittsburgh Legal J. 14 (July 31, 1926)
- The Italian Positive School of Criminology. 74 no. 35 Pittsburgh Legal J. 5-11 (August 28, 1926)
- The Troublesome Third Term Question. 75 no. 52 Pittsburgh Legal J. 19-22 (December 24, 1927)
- The Federal Constitution. 77 no. 36 Pittsburgh Legal J. 7-10 (September 7, 1929)
- Judge M. A. Musmanno Leads for Common Pleas. 81 no. 38 Pittsburgh Legal J. 3-6 (September 23, 1933)
- Judge Musmanno Thanks Republicans and Democrats. 81 no. 39 Pittsburgh Legal J. 5 (September 30, 1933)
- Editorial Judicial Primaries. 81 no. 39 Pittsburgh Legal J. 38-39 (September 30, 1933)
- A Statement to the Grand Jury. 98 no. 10 Pittsburgh Legal J. 3-6 (March 11, 1950)
- Jurist Opposes House Bill 11. 89 no. 29 Pittsburgh Legal J. 5-6 (July 19, 1941)
- Farewell Address by Judge Michael A. Musmanno. 100 no. 1 Pittsburgh Legal J. 21-25 (January 5, 1952)
- Dissenting Opinions. 6 Kansas L. Rev. 407 (1958)
- Justice Musmanno Asks United Nations to Condemn Cuban Executions as Violations of International Law. 107 no. 5 Pittsburgh Legal J. 15-17 (January 31, 1959)
- Sacco-Vanzetti Jury. 5 Villanova L. Rev. 169 (1959-60)
- Book Review (The Faces of Justice by Sybille Bedford). 109 no. 34 Pittsburgh Legal J. 3-5 (August 26, 1961)
- Sacco-Vanzetti Case: A Miscarriage of Justice. 47 ABA J. 28 (1961)
- Objections in Limine to the Eichmann Trial. 35 Temple L.Q. 1 (1961)
- Are Subordinate Officials Penally Responsible for Obeying Superior Orders Which Direct Commission of Crime? 67 Dickinson L. Rev. 221 (1963)
- The Sacco-Vanzetti Case. 11 Kansas L. Rev. 481 (1963)
- Explosion in the Law. 6 Duquesne U. L. Rev. 253 (1968)

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