

Chief Justice Benjamin R. Jones, Jr.

1906-1980

Term

January 7, 1957-February 28, 1977; Chief Justice, January 7, 1972-February 28, 1977

Education

- Princeton University, A.B., 1927
- University of Pennsylvania School of Law, LL.B., 1930

Professional Experience

- Admitted to Pennsylvania bar, 1930
- Private Practice, Bedford, Waller, Jones and Darling, September 8, 1930-January 7, 1952
- Assistant District Attorney, Luzerne County, 1934-1937 and 1942-1943
- United States Navy, 1944-1945
- President Judge, Orphans' Court of Luzerne County, 1952-January 7, 1957
- Elected Justice, Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, November 1956; commissioned December 17, 1956
- Of Counsel, Dilworth, Paxon, Kalish & Levy, Philadelphia, 1977-1980

Honors and Awards

- Honorary LL.D. degrees, Wyoming Seminary; Dickinson School of Law, 1965; Villanova University

Memberships and Associations

- Pennsylvania Bar, Wilkes-Barre Law and Library Associations
- President, Wilkes-Barre Law and Library Association, 1948-1951
- Delegate, Republican National Convention, 1948
- Member, Board of Governors, Pennsylvania Bar Association, 1950-1952
- First Welsh Presbyterian Church
- President, United Fund Appeal Fund
- Trustee, Wyoming Seminary
- First Welsh Presbyterian Church of Wilkes-Barre, Pa.
- Lodge 61, F. & A.M.
- Bloomsburg Consistory
- Irem Temple

Publications

- State of the Judiciary. 43 Pa. B. Assn. Q. 292 (1971-72).
- State of the Judiciary in the Commonwealth. 44 Pa. B. Assn. Q. 282 (1972-73)
- State of the Judiciary in the Commonwealth. 45 Pa. B. Assn. Q. 152 (1974)
- The State of the Judiciary in the Commonwealth. 46 Pa. B. Assn. Q. 393 (1976)
- The State of the Judiciary in the Commonwealth. 47 Pa. B. Assn. Q. 478 (1976)
- Pennsylvania. Governor's Study Commission on Public Employee Relations. Recommendations for Legislative and Administrative Change to the Public Sector Collective Bargaining Laws of Pennsylvania. Prepared by Governor's Study Commission on Public Employee Relations, Benjamin R. Jones, Chairman (1978)

Sources

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