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NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY'S TENTH ANNUAL SHORT COURSE FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEYS

One hundred and seventeen prosecutors attended the Tenth Annual Short Course for Prosecuting Attorneys conducted by Northwestern University's School of Law during the five-day period August 1 to August 6, 1955. The attendants came from 32 states and Hawaii: 15 from Iowa; 14 from Illinois; 12 from Nebraska; 11 from Ohio; 8 from Oregon; 5 from Delaware and Minnesota; 4 from Michigan; 3 from Idaho, Kansas, Louisiana, Nevada, Texas, and Wyoming; 2 from Arkansas, Florida, Kentucky, New Jersey, North Dakota, Virginia and West Virginia; 1 from Arizona, Colorado, Indiana, Maine, Missouri, New York, South Dakota, Utah, Washington, and Wisconsin. One of the attendants came from Hawaii.

Listed below are the jurisdictions which were represented and the names of the attending prosecutors; alongside of each appears the city in which his office is located.

ARIZONA

Vincent, Irving—Florence

ARKANSAS

Pearson, Gerald—Jonesboro
Shell, Terry L.—Jonesboro

COLORADO

Strain, George L.—La Junta

DELAWARE

Abelmen, Meyer—Wilmington
Baker, Richard—Wilmington
Messick, James B.—Wilmington
O'Donnell, Jr., Frank—Wilmington
Stiftel, Albert J.—Wilmington

FLORIDA

Lloyd, John—Miami
Long, Hughlan—Miami

IDAHO

Evans, Blaine F.—Boise
Rasmussen, Francis J.—Soda Springs
Smith, Dell W.—Preston

ILLINOIS

Armstrong, Charles—Chicago
Brazen, Lionel—Chicago
Coutrakon, George—Springfield
Geannopoulos, Louis—Chicago
Glick, Lawrence—Chicago
Hoover, Scott—Taylorville

Husted, Richard W.—Carrollton
McNeal, Henry W.—Rock Island
Russ, Charles—Chicago
Schaefer, David—Chicago
Shorts, Kenneth R.—Waukegan
Warso, Sherman—Chicago
Woodruff, Vaughn—Peoria
Young, W. H.—Peoria

INDIANA

Olczak, Edward—South Bend

IOWA

Bandstra, Bert A.—Knoxville
Buchheit, Mark D.—West Union
Christianson, K. C.—Webster City
Coddington, James W.—Waverly
Degnan, L. Jack—Guttenberg
Gray, Jack R.—Calhoun
Klotzbach, William G.—Independence
Kluever, Lester L.—Atlantic
Mather, Charles—Sac City
Norton, William B.—Lowden
Taylor, R. Y.—Guthrie Center
Tucker, William M.—Iowa City
Walsh, Matt—Council Bluffs
Wilson, Robert H.—Muscatine
Willis, Ned—Perry

KANSAS

Bulkley, Roy L.—Topeka
Depew, Harry L.—Fredonia
Wilson, Paul E.—Topeka

KENTUCKY

Muehlenkamp, G. T.—Newport
Smith, Cawood—Harlan

LOUISIANA

Lassiter, Albin P.—Monroe
Nelson, Jr., John P.—New Orleans
Seither, Richard C.—New Orleans

MAINE

Dumais, Gaston—Lewiston

MICHIGAN

Bussard, James W.—Grand Haven
Chapekis, Nicholas P.—Escanaba
Hill, George E.—Marquette
Lowenstein, Aaron—Negaunee

MINNESOTA

Garrity, Robert W.—St. Paul
MacGibbon, John E.—Elk River
Parker, Robert S.—Cambridge
Prindle, W. D.—Montevideo
Scott, George M.—Minneapolis

MISSOURI

Higgins, A. J.—Platte City

NEBRASKA

Adams, Dixon G.—Papillion
Conover, J. C.—Bridgeport
Conover, W. C.—Grant
Cook, E. A., III—Lexington
Harnsberger, Richard S.—Lincoln
Knobloch, Paul T.—Lincoln
Line, William G.—Fremont
McFadden, Eugene C.—Norfolk
Moran, Robert R.—Alliance
Romig, Marvin A.—Oshkosh
Samuelson, C. Firman—Franklin
Haessler, George W.—Wahoo

NEVADA

Gifford, Robert L.—Las Vegas
Mulcahy, Edwin C.—Reno
Olsen, Arthur—Las Vegas

NEW JERSEY

Calissi, Guy W.—Hackensack
Weidenburner, Chester A.—Elizabeth

NEW YORK

Rohl, Kenneth K.—Babylon

NORTH DAKOTA

Bekken, Ralph W.—Stanley
Erickstad, Ralph J.—Devils Lake

OHIO

Ammer, William—Circleville
Devine, Samuel L.—Columbus
Heller, Ralph H.—Columbus
Jacobson, Herbert M.—Dayton
Kennedy, Dorothy—Georgetown
Lutz, Theodore—Mansfield
Prine, Malcolm M.—Columbus
Roney, Donald F.—Cincinnati
Schuck, Robert D.—Findlay
Troth, Hugh I.—Ashland
Werum, J. Ralston—Columbus

OREGON

Burns, James M.—Burns
Lonergan, Howard R.—Portland
Madsen, Roy H.—Oregon City
McMillin, Max L.—Grants Pass

PENNSYLVANIA

Duggan, Robert—Pittsburgh
Fiok, Albert A.—Pittsburgh
Lawley, Jr., Frank P.—Harrisburg
Lindsay, Robert—Pittsburgh

SOUTH DAKOTA

Wuest, George W.—Pierre

TEXAS

Anderson, John M.—Fort Worth
Newton, Douglas—Del Rio
Rosson, Renal B.—Snyder

UTAH

Alger, James—Price

VIRGINIA

Gates, Ernest P.—Chesterfield County
Woodward, Mark D.—Luray

WASHINGTON

Cone, Charles W.—Wenatchee

WEST VIRGINIA

Dailey, Jr., James T.—Kingwood
McIntyre, James B.—Charleston

WISCONSIN

Brand, Franz W.—Monroe

WYOMING

Amschel, J. Edward—Jackson
Lewis, Jack F.—Cody
Spence, G. L.—Riverton

HAWAII

Tanaka, Yoshito—Hilo

The subjects covered in the course in the order in which they were presented were:

Homicide Investigation ("Murder Un-recognized" and "Apparently Murder")

The Selection of Jurors

Opening Statements

The Examination and Cross-Examination of Expert Witnesses

Closing Arguments

Basic Principles in the Interrogation of Criminal Suspects

Popular Misconceptions Regarding Dead Bodies (Time of Death Determinations, etc.)

Getting Exhibits in Evidence

Chemical Tests for Alcoholic Intoxication

The Prosecution of Drunk Driving Cases

The Effective Use of Medical Evidence in Homicide Prosecutions

Criminal Interrogation Tactics and Techniques

The Lie-Detector in Criminal Interrogations

Misconceptions About Juvenile Delinquency

The Preparation and Prosecution of Criminal Cases in Rural Communities

Common Mistakes in the Prosecution of Criminal Cases

The Defense Viewpoint Regarding Criminal Prosecutions

Demonstration of the Lie-Detector Technique

The Examination of Questioned Documents

(1. Handwriting Identifications; Detection of Forgery; etc.)

Firearm Identification ("Ballistics") and Comparative Micrography (Tool Marks Identification, etc.)

The Examination of Questioned Documents (2. Typewriting Identification; Identification of Paper and Inks; Decipherment of Obliterated Writing; etc.)

The Effective Presentation of Document Examination Testimony in Court (an informal question and answer session)

The Public Relations Problem of a Prosecuting Attorney

Group Discussion Regarding Non-support Actions and Bad-check Cases

Mock trial of a murder case in which the prosecution's principal evidence was (a) the identification of a bullet as having been fired from defendant's gun, and (b) the identification of handwriting and typewriting on a threatening note. Attendants participated in the cross-examination.

The Investigation and Prosecution of Sex Offense Cases

The Prosecutor's Role in Relation to Probation and Parole

The Suppression of Organized Crime

Extradition and Habeas Corpus Problems

Recent Developments in the Law of Confessions, and the Self-Incrimination Privilege

The course was under the direction of Professor Fred E. Inbau of Northwestern University School of Law. Members of the lecture staff were:

Richard B. Austin, Chief Justice, Criminal Court of Cook County, Chicago; Former First Assistant State's Attorney of Cook County

Charles A. Bellows, Attorney-at-Law (Defense Counsel), Chicago

Rush C. Clarke, Assistant Attorney General, State of Nebraska; Former County Attorney of Nebraska

Robert L. Donigan, Counsel, Northwestern University Traffic Institute; Former Assistant State's Attorney of Cook County

Donald Doud, Examiner of Questioned Documents, Milwaukee

Richard Ford, M.D., Acting Head, Department of Legal Medicine, Harvard University

Irving Goldstein, Attorney-at-Law, Chicago; Professorial Lecturer, Northwestern University School of Law

Richard E. Gorman, Attorney-at-Law (Defense Counsel), Chicago.

Ordway Hilton, Examiner of Questioned Documents, New York City

Fred E. Inbau, Professor of Law, Northwestern University

Ben S. Meeker, Chief, U. S. Probation and Parole Office, Chicago

C. W. Muehlberger, Ph.D., State Toxicologist, Michigan Department of Health, Lansing, Michigan

Alexander J. Napoli, Judge, Municipal Court of Chicago; Former Assistant State's Attorney of Cook County

Joseph D. Nicol, Criminal Bureau of Investigation, Dade County, Miami, Florida

Samuel Papanek, Assistant State's Attorney of Cook County

Virgil W. Peterson, Operating Director, Chicago Crime Commission.

John E. Reid, Director, John E. Reid and Associates, Chicago

Edward H. Stullken, Principal, Montefiore Special School (For Problem Children), Chicago

Robert Y. Thornton, Attorney General, State of Oregon

Kenneth E. Wilson, Member of Illinois Legislature; Former Assistant State's Attorney of Cook County.

The next and eleventh Annual Short Course for Prosecuting Attorneys will be conducted during the five-day period July 30 to August 3, 1956.