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## **IN MEMORIAM**

**JUDGE JOHN V. McCORMICK**

Dean Emeritus, Loyola University School of Law

1891 - 1971

John V. McCormick died on November 30, 1971, in West Chicago, where he had resided after retiring as a member of the Illinois Judiciary.

Judge McCormick was a native of Mineral Point, Wisconsin. He was a graduate of the University of Wisconsin, and the University of Chicago Law School. After graduation he entered into the active practice of law with the Legal Aid Society in Chicago. After a period of private practice he was appointed to the University of Loyola Law School faculty in 1924. He was appointed Dean of the Law School in 1927, and he served in that capacity until 1936, when he was appointed a Judge of the Municipal Court of Chicago. In 1953 he was elected to the Circuit Court of Cook County, and, after less than one year of service on that Court, he was appointed by the Illinois Supreme Court to serve on the Appellate Court for the First District. Subsequently, when judges of that Court were directly elected, he was elected to a seat which he occupied until his retirement in September of 1971.

Judge McCormick never lost interest in the progress of Loyola Law School. For three decades after his appointment to the Bench he continued to offer courses on a part-time basis, and he was a faithful participant in the activities of the School and its Alumni Association until his final illness.

Judge McCormick will long be remembered for his meticulous scholarship and his dedication to the highest traditions of the Bench and Bar. He often came to the School to share his experiences as a lawyer, teacher and jurist with students, particularly those just beginning the study of law. He inspired generations of students with the sense of honor and dignity which he always conveyed to those whom he addressed.

