Justice Alfred Hand

1835-1917

Term

July 31, 1888-January 7, 1889

Education

- Yale College, B.A., 1857
- Read law with William and William H. Jessup at Montrose, Pa., 1857-1859

Professional Experience

- Admitted to the Susquehanna bar, November 21, 1859; Luzerne County, May 8, 1860
- Private Practice, Jessup & Hand, May 1860-1866
- Select Councilman, Ninth Ward, Scranton, 1866
- Private Practice, Hand & Post, 1866-March 1879
- Governor Henry Hoyt appointed Hand, President Judge, 11th Judicial District (Lackawanna & Luzerne Counties), March 3, 1879; sworn in March 6, 1879
- Judge, Court of Common Pleas of Luzerne County, 45th Judicial District, 1879
- Transferred as Additional Law Judge, Court of Common Pleas of Lackawanna County, May 1879
- Elected Judge, Court of Common Pleas of Lackawanna County, November 1880
- Judge, Court of Common Pleas of Lackawanna County, January 1881-July 31, 1888, President Judge, January 1885-July 31, 1888
- Governor James Beaver appointed Hand, Justice, Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, July 31, 1888
- Private Practice, 1889-1917

Honors and Awards

- Phi Beta Kappa Fraternity
- Helped organize Lackawanna County, 1878

Memberships and Associations

- President, Third National Bank of Scranton, 1872-1879
- President and Director, Lackawanna Hospital
- President, Pennsylvania Oral School for Deaf Mutes
- Secretary and Treasurer, People's Street Railway of Luzerne County, 1880
- Director, Jefferson Railroad Company
- Director, Dickson Manufacturing Company
- Director, Iron & Nail Company
- Director, Davis Oil Company of New York
- Director, Lackawanna Valley Coal Company
- Member, William Connell & Co.
- Trustee, Lafayette College
- President, Y.M.C.A. of Scranton, 1868-1869
- President, Scranton Public Library
- President, Lackawanna County Bible Society
- Kappa Sigma Epsilon Fraternity
- Psi Upsilon Fraternity
- Linonia Society

Sources

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