

Justice Alexander Simpson, Jr.

1855-1935

Term

1918-July 24, 1935

Education

Central High School, A.B., 1871, M.A., 1876

Professional Experience

- Carpenter
- Admitted to Philadelphia bar, February 8, 1879
- Private Practice, 1879-1918, Simpson, Brown, and Williams
- Governor Martin Brumbaugh appointed Simpson, Justice, Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, May 20, 1918
- Elected, Justice, Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, November 1919
- Died in Office, July 24, 1935

Honors and Awards

- Honorary LL.D. degree: Dickinson College, 1912, Pa. Military College, 1921
- Honorary M.A. degree: Wesleyan College, 1912

Memberships and Associations

- American, Pennsylvania, Philadelphia Bar Associations
- One of the founders of the Pennsylvania Bar Association, 1895
- President, Pennsylvania Bar Association, 1902
- Philadelphia Board of Public Education, October 12, 1915-July 10, 1917
- Chairman of the PBA Committee on Law Reform, twenty years
- Director, West Philadelphia Title and Trust Company
- Director, Continental-Equitable Title and Trust Company
- Director, Central National Bank
- Vice President, Dickinson College
- Board of Trustees, Pennsylvania Military College
- Chancellor, Law Association of Philadelphia
- Trustee, Philadelphia City Missionary Society
- Historical Society of Pennsylvania
- President, Methodist Episcopal Hospital
- Lawyers Club of Pennsylvania
- Academy of Fine Arts of Philadelphia
- Franklin Institute
- Visitor, Harvard Law School

Publications

- Municipal Assessments: A Paper Read Before a Meeting of the Law Association of Philadelphia, Held at the Penn Club, March 10, 1891 [1891?]
- The Modern Misconception of the Duty of an Appellate Court
- The Local Bar Association. Report of the First Annual Meeting of the Pennsylvania Bar Association 140 (1895)
- Ourselves—The Pennsylvania Bar Association. Report of the First Annual Meeting of the Pennsylvania Bar Association 220 (1895)
- Compilation of the Rules of the Courts of Common Pleas of the State of Pennsylvania. Report Second Annual Meeting of the Pennsylvania Bar Association 281 (1896)

- President's Address. Report of the Eighth Annual Meeting of the Pennsylvania Bar Association 3 (1902)
- The Practical Conduct of a Jury Trial (1903)
- Simonton Memorial. Report of the Ninth Annual Meeting of the Pennsylvania Bar Association 223 (1903)
- The Mechanics' Lien Law and Article III, Section 7 of the Constitution: An Address...Before The Law Academy of Philadelphia, Nov. 8, 1905 (1905)
- My Friend Bob. An Appreciation of Robert McIntyre, Bishop of the Methodist Episcopal Church (1914)
- Federal Impeachments, 64 U. Pa. L. Rev. 651 (1916)
- A Treatise on Federal Impeachment, with an Appendix Containing Inter Alia, an Abstract of the Articles of Impeachment in All the Federal Impeachments in this Country and in England (1916)
- Dissenting Opinions. 71 U. Pa. L. Rev. 205 (1923)

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