Justice Thomas M. Chidsey

1884-1958

Term

July 6, 1950-April 19, 1958

Education

- Lafayette College, A.B., 1904
- University of Pennsylvania Law School, LL.B., 1907

Professional Experience

- Admitted to Northampton bar, 1907; admitted to Lehigh and Philadelphia bars
- Private Practice, Philadelphia, 1907
- Chidsey, Maxwell, Fackenthal & Teel, Easton, Pennsylvania, 1908?-
- Solicitor, School District, City of Easton
- Solicitor, Northampton County
- District Attorney, Northampton County, 1920-1923
- Pennsylvania Counsel, Delaware River Joint Toll-Bridge Commission
- Attorney General, Pennsylvania, January 21, 1947-July 5, 1950
- Governor James Duff nominated Chidsey, Justice, Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, July 5, 1950; served until January 1952
- Elected, Justice, Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, November 1951
- Died in Office, April 19, 1958

Honors and Awards

• Honorary LL.D. degree: Lafayette College, 1948

Memberships and Association

- Pennsylvania, Lehigh County, Northampton County, Philadelphia Bar Associations
- President, Northampton County Bar Association
- Delegate, Republican National Convention, 1948
- Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity
- Phi Delta Phi Fraternity
- Trinity Church, Easton

Publications

- Honorable William H. Kirkpatrick—Every Inch a Judge. 7 The Shingle 195 (1944)
- Change Needed in Method of Selecting President and Vice President of the United States. 20 Pa. B. Assn. Q. 205 (1948-1949)

Sources

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