# Justice Thomas W. Pomeroy, Jr.

1908-2002

#### Term

December 26, 1968-November 18, 1978

### Education

- Lafayette College, A.B., 1929
- Harvard Law School, LL.B., 1933

### **Professional Experience**

- Admitted to Allegheny County bar, 1933
- Reed, Smith, Shaw & McClay, 1933-1944
- Lieutenant Commander, Office of Legal Counsel, U.S. Navy, World War II, 1944-1946
- Original Founder, Kirkpatrick Pomeroy Lockhart and Johnson, 1946-1968
- Governor Raymond Shafer nominated Pomeroy as Justice, Supreme Court of Pennsylvania 1968, commissioned December 1968
- Elected Justice, Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, November 1969
- Retired on seventieth birthday, November 18, 1978
- Of Counsel, Kirkpatrick Pomeroy Lockhart and Johnson, 1978-2002

### **Honors and Awards**

- Honorary LL.D. degree, Lafayette College, 1961
- First Annual Award, St. Thomas More Society of Allegheny County

## **Memberships and Association**

- American, Pennsylvania, Allegheny County Bar Associations
- Allegheny County Bar Association, President, 1959
- Pennsylvania Bar Association, Vice-President, 1960, President, 1961
- American Law Institute
- American Judicature Society
- Attorney General's Conference on Court Congestion
- President, Foreign Policy Association of Pittsburgh
- President, YMCA of Pittsburgh
- Family and Children's Service
- Pittsburgh Council on Intercultural Board
- Former President, Harvard Law School Association of Western Pennsylvania
- Scotch-Irish Society of USA
- Board of Christian Education of the United Presbyterian Church
- Trustee, Wilson College
- Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity
- Tau Kappa Alpha Fraternity

#### **Publications**

- With Silvio Sanabria and Havana Bar Association. Exchange of Letters with President of Havana Bar Association (In Exile). 32 Pa. B. Assn. Q. 210 (1960-61)
- The Bar Faces up to Some Problems. 32 Pa. B. Assn. Q. 8 (1960-61)
- Some Aspects of the Proposed New Judicial Article for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, 109 no. 37 Pittsburgh L.J. 18 (Sept. 16, 1961)
- The Rule of Law: A Response to Revolution, 109 no. 43 Pittsburgh L.J. 11 (October 28, 1961)
- Criminal Justice Standards in Perspective. 47 Pa. B. Assn. Q. 194 (1976)
- Pennsylvania's Unified Judicial System: An Analysis With Recommendations. The Committee to Study Pennsylvania's Unified Judicial System. [Thomas W. Pomeroy, Jr., chairman] [1982]

## Sources

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