A MINUTE ADOPTED BY THE SUPREME COURT OF PENNSYLVANIA ON MARCH 21, 1945, UPON THE DEATH OF PIER DANNALS, PRO-THONOTARY OF THE COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA.

This court desires to express its sense of loss in the death, since its last preceding session in Pittsburgh, of its Prothonotary in the Western District, Pier Dannals, Esq. Mr. Dannals was born in Pittsburgh on February 26, 1873, and he died in that same city on December 19, 1944. After graduating from the Law Department of the University of Pennsylvania in 1895 he was admitted to the Allegheny County Bar in the same year. He practiced law in Allegheny County for more than a score of years, and on December 27, 1917, he was named Deputy Prothonotary of the Supreme and the Superior Courts for the Western District. On October 7, 1919, he was appointed Prothonotary of these two appellate courts.

As Prothonotary he served this court and the Superior Court for more than a quarter of a century with fidelity and efficiency. He was thorough and painstaking in his work and ever eager to be useful to the courts and to the members of the bar. He was recognized by the bench and the bar as the master of his job. Possessed, as he was, of a kindly nature he found his greatest happiness in being helpful to his fellow beings. The members of the bar felt free at all times to consult him on questions of appellate court practice and such was his repute for knowledge of procedure, that his advice and directions were followed without hesitation or doubt. The members of this court felt that Pier Dannals was not only a faithful officer of the court, but also the trustworthy friend of each of them and that their well being, both official and personal, was always a matter of his

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sincere concern. We cherish our memory of him and we mourn his loss.

It is ordered that this tribute to our late Prothonotary for the Western District be published in the official reports of this court.