

BIOGRAPHIC SUMMARY

Tommy K. Cryer

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Personal:

Born Lake Charles, LA, September 11, 1949
Married (1) Carolyn Fisher, dec'd.
(2) Bettye "Dee Dee" Woodard

Education:

Sam Houston High School, Moss Bluff, LA, 1967, third in class, American Heritage Award, Continental Oil Scholarship, T. H. Harris Scholarship, JFK Memorial Scholarship, Civitan Award; Activities: Football letterman, FBLA, Beta Club, Drama Club founder and Literary Rally.

McNeese State University, Lake Charles, LA, B.A. 1970 (Psychology, Sociology, Military Science & Pre-Law), 3.4 GPA (Note: Multi-major degree in three years)

LSU Law School, Baton Rouge, LA, J.D. 1973, Honor Graduate, Order of the Coif [*ed. see note below*], inducted LSU Law School Hall of Fame, 1987.

Military:

Honorably Discharged, Captain, U. S. Army, Adjutant General Corps.

Professional:

Louisiana Constitutional Convention, 1973, Special Advisor and Draftsman (Bill of Rights, Municipalities)

Hargrove, Guyton, Ramey & Barlow, Shreveport, LA, 1973-1975; Associate engaged in Oil & Gas, Oil & Gas Transmission (including extensive work in expropriation), Corporate, Estate, Personal Injury and others.

Private Practice, Shreveport, LA, 1975 - Practice has included virtually every aspect of the law, both criminal and civil, with clientele consisting of numerous individuals, families and businesses (including many third generation clients) whose varied needs have provided experience and expertise across an extremely broad spectrum.

Litigation in all courts, including pro hoc vice appointments to try cases in New York, California and Texas.

Extensive trial experience, bench and jury, and appellate experience including Louisiana Supreme Court, in which have been privileged to successfully advocate several cases forging new law (two of which were significant enough that the legislature overturned them within one year).

Civic Activities:

Shreveport Jaycees (exhausted rooster), Board of Directors, Legal Counsel, Chaired numerous projects

Caddo Heights United Methodist Church, Board of Trustees 1974-1980

Shreveport Optimist Club, Board of Directors

Past Master, W. H. Booth Lodge #380, F & AM

Past Master, First Masonic District Lodge

Louisiana Grand Lodge, Law & Jurisprudence Committee; Board of Charities and Benevolences; Education Committee; Certified Instructor; Lecturer at numerous Grand Master's Seminars across the state

Scottish Rite Bodies, Shreveport Valley, 32°

El Karubah Shrine, Shreveport, LA

Past President, Shreveport High Twelve Club

Chairman, Shreveport Republican PAC, 1991-3, Delegate 1992 State Republican Convention; oversaw and consulted for eleven campaigns, left office 11 and 0. (no longer active in politics)

Personal Interests:

Study of History and Constitutional Law

Hunting and Fishing

Woodworking

Licensed Pilot, Multi-engine Land

NOTE:

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