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## Report of the Legislative Committee

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## REPORT OF AUDITING COMMITTEE

The Auditing Committee of the Wyoming State Bar, on examination of the Treasurer's Report dated August 1, 1956, and the books and records of the Treasurer in support of said report, finds that the report is correct and recommends that the report be approved.

Dated September 10, 1956.

R. R. Bostwich, Chairman  
Donald E. Chapin  
W. T. Schwartz

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 REPORT OF THE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

## R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, increasing population and economic activity in Wyoming have increased and will continue to increase litigation in the lower courts with corresponding increase in appellate work; and

WHEREAS, Section 4, Article 5 of the Wyoming Constitution limits the number of Supreme Court Justice to three.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Wyoming State Bar urge the State Legislature at its next session to propose and amendment to the Constitution to provide that the number of Supreme Court Justices shall be determined from time to time by the state legislature, but shall be not less than three nor more than seven.

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 R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, The Wyoming State Bar has been most fortunate in obtaining for its annual meeting at Sheridan, Wyoming, on September 13, 14, 15, 1956, Professor William Bowe of Boulder, Colorado, Judge Joe M. Hill of Dallas, Texas, and Frank J. Cavanaugh of Denver, Colorado, as speakers, and;

WHEREAS, the addresses given by these gentlemen have been highly instructive and of great interest to the members of this organization;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Wyoming State Bar does hereby extend its thanks and appreciation to the above named distinguished gentlemen for their services to our organization and to the members thereof.

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 R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, the members of the Wyoming State Bar have enjoyed splendid hospitality at the Sheridan meeting on the 13, 14, 15 of September, 1956, and desire to express appreciation and thanks to all who made the meeting so successful and pleasurable;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Wyoming State Bar, in session duly assembled on said dates, does hereby extend and express its grateful thanks and appreciation to the members of the Bar of the Fourth Judicial District of the State of Wyoming, to the Kalif Shrine, to Sheridan Lodge No. 520, BPOE, to the Sheridan Country Club and to the officials of the City of Sheridan, Wyoming, for the friendly and courteous treatment that has been extended to the Bar and the members thereof in attendance at said meeting.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that our especial thanks are hereby extended to Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Lonabaugh, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Lonabaugh, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Redle and Mr. and Mrs. Edward J. Redle for their lavish hospitality at the cocktail party given at Piney Ranch at which they were hosts and hostesses.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we also express our especial appreciation and gratitude to the ladies of the Fourth Judicial District Bar who, through their entertainment committee, provided such splendid and hospitable entertainment for the visiting ladies.

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#### R E S O L U T I O N

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Wyoming State Bar does hereby approve the action of the Bar of the 4th Judicial District with reference to J. Norman Stone, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the matter be referred to the commissioners of the Wyoming State Bar for further study and appropriate action.

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#### R E S O L U T I O N

(This resolution seeks to eliminate from certain compilations of reported cases from those states covered by the Pacific Reporter, all Intermediate Appellate Court decisions of the State of California, and all Intermediate Appellate Court decisions from any other state in the Pacific Reporter group)

WHEREAS, the bound volumes of the Pacific Reporter, from 280 Pacific 2d through 292 Pacific 2d aggregate 14,451 pages, of which 5,296 pages are devoted to California Intermediate Appellate Court decisions, which are of little or no value to subscribers outside the State of California, and which comprise 36.64 percent of the space devoted to reporting all cases set forth in said volumes, and

WHEREAS, practicing attorneys in the State of Wyoming, and other states other than California, do not use such decisions for any purpose that would justify including them in the bound volumes of the Pacific Reporter system, especially when shelving space is at a premium in all offices,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Wyoming State Bar in its Annual Meeting assembled at Sheridan, Wyoming, on Septem-

ber 14, 1956, that all publishers of court decisions in this group of Western States, including but not limited to West Publishing Company, be, and they are hereby respectfully requested to omit from such bound volumes of decisions of said states, those California Intermediate Appellate Court decisions and those of other states, thereby increasing the utility and value of such published reports; eliminating therefrom reports of decisions of little or no value to the Bar at large, enabling practitioners at a lower aggregate cost to accommodate more volumes in the limited space to all law offices, and that a copy of this resolution be distributed to the State Bar organization of each state covered by the Pacific Reporter system.

Passed, adopted and approved this 14th day of September, 1956.

WYOMING STATE BAR

Edwin V. Magagna, President

ATTEST:

Daniel C. Rogers, Jr.  
Secretary-Treasurer

I certify that this is a true copy of the original resolution as passed, adopted and approved on the 14th day of September, 1956.

Daniel C. Rogers, Jr.  
Secretary-Treasurer

WYOMING STATE BAR

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#### REPORT OF THE NECROLOGY COMMITTEE

During the past year since our last annual meeting, the deaths of eight members of the Wyoming State Bar have been reported. Of the eight, one was serving as Chief Justice of the Wyoming Supreme Court at the time of his death, after more than 50 years in his profession in Wyoming, three were taken by death after more than 50 years in the active practice in Wyoming (one nearly 60 years), two after more than 40 years in the active practice in Wyoming, one after more than 20 years of active practice in Wyoming, and one had never practiced his profession in Wyoming, though he had been a member of this Bar for many years. In each case, they will be missed most by their families and those who were associated with them closely, but the loss of this distinguished group of men will be felt by the entire Bar of Wyoming and indeed by all the people of our State.

#### WILLIAM A. RINER

William A. Riner was born at Greene, Iowa on June 26, 1878, and died at Cheyenne, Wyoming on November 20, 1955, at the age of 77. He attended the University of Southern California, from whence he received his A.B. degree in 1899, and the University of Michigan, from whence he received his law degree in 1902. He was admitted to the Michigan Bar