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JUDGE J. BLAINE ANDERSON

Judge Anderson was born in Trenton, Utah, on January 19, 1922, and moved to Idaho at an early age. He entered the University of Idaho, Southern Branch, at Pocatello, in 1940, and after completing a year of study, left school to join the Coast Guard. After World War II he entered the University of Washington and then transferred to the University of Idaho to complete his pre-law studies. Judge Anderson then attended law school at the University of Idaho, where he graduated in 1949 with a J.D. degree.

In 1949, Judge Anderson was admitted to the Idaho bar and entered private practice, first as a sole practitioner, and later as an associate with the firms of Anderson and Beebe and Furchner, Anderson & Beebe. He engaged in general civil, criminal and trial practice.

The judge was appointed chairman and member of the State of Idaho Air Pollution Control Commission by Governor Robert E. Smylie in 1958. At the same time, the judge held positions with several Idaho State Bar disciplinary panels and was a member of the Board of Commissioners (1958-61) and President (1960-61) of the Idaho State Bar.

Judge Anderson was nominated by President Nixon to the United States District Court for the District of Idaho in 1971. Five years as a United States District Judge were followed, in 1976, by his appointment by President Ford to the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit.

Judge Anderson has been a member of various Idaho State Bar committees and American Bar Association committees. He was A.B.A. state delegate to the House of Delegates, 1964-1971, and served on the Board of Governors, 1971-1974. He has also been Director of the American Judicature Society from 1961 to 1966, a member of the Advisory Board of the *American Bar Journal*, is a fellow of the American College of Probate Counsel, and is a fellow of the American College of Probate Counsel and of the American College of Trial Lawyers. He has written for the *Idaho Law Review* and has been associated with the Blackfoot JayCees and Kiwanis Club.

In 1965, Judge Anderson was honored by the Idaho State Bar Commission for services rendered to the Bar of Idaho. The judge is also the first recipient of the University of Idaho, College of Law

Faculty Award of Legal Merit. He has been a member, since 1974, of the Board of Visitors of Lewis and Clark College, Northwestern School of Law in Portland, Oregon.

Judge Anderson resides in Boise, Idaho, with his wife and one of his four children.



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