

Tribute to The Honorable Harry Lee Carrico Chief Justice of Virginia

Despite an early snowstorm, approximately 475 people attended a tribute dinner for retiring Virginia Supreme Court Chief Justice Harry L. Carrico on December 5, 2002, at the Jefferson Hotel in Richmond. The event was sponsored by the Virginia State Bar, the Old Dominion Bar Association, the Virginia Association of Defense Attorneys, The Virginia Bar Association, the Virginia Trial Lawyers Association, the Virginia Women Attorneys Association and the Bar Association of the City of Richmond. Guests included the Chief Justice's family, friends; lawyers and judges from around Virginia; judges of the Court of Appeals of Virginia; justices of the Supreme Court of Virginia (retired and sitting); and members of the federal bench. In addition, tables at the dinner were sponsored by a number of law firms, bar organizations, companies, and affiliated legal groups, such as the National Center for State Courts, the Virginia Board of Bar Examiners and the Virginia Law Foundation.



Left: Former Supreme Court Justice John Charles Thomas gave the invocation before the dinner.



Below: The Hon. Arthur W. Sinclair with Chief Justice Carrico. Judge Sinclair delivered the toast at the dinner.



Above: At the reception were Lucretia Carrico, daughter of the Chief Justice, and the Hon. William J. Howell, speaker of the Virginia House of Delegates.



Above: The Chief Justice with his wife Lynn Brackenridge and her father Bruce Brackenridge (center).

Below: Greeting Governor Mark Warner prior to dinner were (left) Thomas G. Slater, Jr., and the Hon. Robert R. Merhige, Jr.





Above: Justice Carrico and his sisters, Virginia Carrico Booker and Mildred Carrico Watts.



Above right: The Hon. Archer L. Yeatts III, W. David Harless, Debbe Harless and Murray J. Janus.

Right: Incoming Supreme Court Chief Justice Leroy R. Hassell.

Below: The Hon. Wiley R. Wright, the Hon. Paul F. Sheridan and the Hon. David T. Stitt.



Above: Governor Mark Warner and Virginia State Bar President Bernard J. DiMuro.



Above: Lynn Brackenridge and Lee Irby, the Chief Justice's grandson (left) applaud Judge Sinclair's toast. Governor Warner is to Ms. Brackenridge's right.



Above: Linda Hassell and Marilyn Goss, immediate past president of the Old Dominion Bar Association.



Left: Author David G. Baldacci and his wife Michelle were special guests of the Chief Justice and his wife.



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