

W. Theodore “Ted” Markwood grew up in the Harvard section of South Toledo. He Graduated from Harvard grade school, Libbey High School and from The University of Michigan in 1940. Thereafter he was admitted to the practice of law in the state of Ohio. When I began practice with my uncle, George E. Ferstle, also a South Toledo boy and friend of Ted’s spoke highly of Ted’s abilities in corporate law and his ethics. One of the first attorney’s I met in the Spitzer Building was Ted Markwood, and his son James M. Markwood who were in practice together. From 1974 through the early 90’s when they moved their practice from the Spitzer Building to the then National City Bank Building, I would see Ted Almost every day as we all occupied the 9th floor Some of the earliest memories of Ted I have are of the annual Christmas parties at his office with his son, his long time and faithful secretaries Margaret, and Nancy Bohn, and George Frestle. I was directed to bring the Egg Nog special made with “special ingredients” to promote Christmas Cheer. In the words of Ken White, “Ted Markwood was the epitome of a thorough, considerate, and professional attorney. He was a gentleman, gracious and diplomatic at all times. His expertise in probate, trusts, corporate law, and real estate matters was unique. It was always a pleasure to work with Ted on his many interesting and complicated matters. Apples don’t fall too far from the tree, and for his son, Jim, the same was the way.” While Ted was confident of his abilities, he was at the same time a humble, moral and very reverent man of strong religious beliefs. He was not shy about his faith in God, but he practiced in a quiet way and did not foist it on those around him. Both Ted and his son were a credit to the profession not only in their knowledge in the law, but for the standard for civility and professionalism that they followed, and each was an example for all to follow. Ted’s membership in the bar was a credit to us all, and his passing is a loss not only to the bar but to the community at large.



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/s/ Ken White _____