

**MINUTES OF ANNUAL MEETING
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF IOWA BRANCH
OF THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF THE
UNITED STATES COURTS IN THE EIGHTH CIRCUIT**

June 26, 2009

The annual meeting of the Southern District of Iowa Branch of the Historical Society of the United States Courts in the Eighth Circuit was held on Friday, June 26, 2009, at 2:00 p.m. at the Iowa State Bar Association Office, E.6th & Court, Des Moines, Iowa. Present were President F. Richard Lyford, Vice President Russell Lovell, Treasurer Nancy Adams, Secretary Helen Adams, Judge Pratt, Judge Viotor, Luke Meier, Professor of Law, Drake Law School, Clerk of Court Marge Krahn and Erin Lain.

The minutes of the annual meeting held on June 20, 2008 and the 2009 Treasurer's report were approved. As of June 26, 2009, the Treasury has \$10,598.79.

As Retired Magistrate Judge Richard W. Peterson was unable to attend, no District Historian's report was given. Clerk of Court Marge Krahn indicated that she had been working on a Work Agreement between the Historical Society and Erin Lain. President Lyford reported on the activities of the Branch. He continues to assist the Friends of the Iowa Judiciary and working on videos of former Iowa Supreme Court justices. Justice Carter has been interviewed. Further work is needed on Judge Longstaff's oral history in the coming year. President Lyford also reported on the judicial timeline that the Iowa State Bar Association's Legal Heritage Committee has been working on and which is housed in the ISBA Office. President Lyford asked the attendees if there was interest in preservation of the "papers" of the judges and the issue was discussed. President Lyford introduced Erin Lain as an intern who was working on historical society projects such as helping to outlaw sections to be added to "No One is Above the Law" and replication of the original seal of the District of Iowa before it was split into 2 districts. A Work Agreement was approved between the Historical Society and Ms. Lain, in the amount of \$6000.

Vice President Russell Lovell reported on the activities at Drake University. United States Supreme Court Justice Alito will be presenting at Drake as the Opperman lecturer in 2010.

The election of officers was then held. The officers elected for next year are:

President	F. Richard Lyford
Vice President	Russell Lovell
Secretary	Helen C. Adams
Treasurer	Nancy Adams

The meeting was adjourned.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "F. Richard Lyford".

F. Richard Lyford for Helen C. Adams
Secretary