



Resolution Recognizing Gerald H. "Jerry" Kopel for His Dedication to the Legal Profession

WHEREAS, Gerald H. "Jerry" Kopel attended and graduated cum laude from the University of Denver Law School; and

WHEREAS, he and his wife Dolores would set up a successful law firm, Kopel & Kopel; and

WHEREAS, Kopel was elected to his first term in the Colorado House of Representatives in 1964, and he went on to serve a total of 22 years; and

WHEREAS, as a legislator, Kopel served in a variety of roles, including as chair of the House Judiciary Committee from 1975 to 1976 and four years on the Committee on Legal Services, including one year as vice-chair; and

WHEREAS, Kopel was throughout this time an important member of the Colorado Bar Association and an indispensable member of its Board of Governors; and

WHEREAS, Kopel will be remembered as "Mr. Colorado legislature" by former Denver Mayor Wellington Webb and as "a brilliant lawyer who cared deeply about this state" by former Governor Richard Lamm.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COLORADO BAR ASSOCIATION BOARD OF GOVERNORS:

With the passing of Gerald H. "Jerry" Kopel, the Colorado Bar Association and the state have lost an exceptional attorney and public servant. The Colorado Bar Association would like to offer its deepest condolences to Dolores, David, and the entire Kopel family. Additionally, it would like to recognize the impact and legacy Jerry Kopel will have on lawyers and legislators for generations to come.

Offering our sincere gratitude,

Charles C. Turner

Executive Director, Colorado Bar Association