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Biographical/Sketch/Administrative History

John Josiah Robinette (also known as J.J. Robinette) was born on November 20th, 1906, in Toronto, Ontario, to Thomas Cowper Robinette, a lawyer, and Edith May Lindsay. He attained a BA degree at the University of Toronto in 1926, where he was a member of the Beta Theta Pi fraternity, and enrolled at Osgoode Hall Law School the same year. He later articulated with the law firm Donald, Mason, White & Foulds in Toronto. He was called to the Bar in 1929, and became a King's Counsel in 1946. Robinette worked at the law firm McCarthy & McCarthy (later McCarthy Tétrault) in Toronto for most of his career, enjoying a successful career as a prominent criminal defense lawyer and later as a civil litigator, appearing frequently before the Supreme Court of Canada. Active within the Law Society of Upper Canada, Robinette served as a bencher from 1946 to 1958, as Treasurer from 1958 to 1962, and as an ex officio bencher from 1962 to 1992. In addition to a law career, Robinette was a director of a number of companies, including Stanley Manufacturing, Stanley Allied Products and Wyandotte Enterprises. In 1973, he was made a Companion of the Order of Canada. He also served as Chancellor of Trent University from 1984 to 1987. John Josiah Robinette died in Toronto on November 18th, 1996.

Scope and Content

Fonds consists of one record pertaining to the legal career of John Josiah Robinette, an Ontario lawyer and Law Society of Upper Canada bencher. The document in question is a commission issued to Robinette by the Department of the Secretary of State of Canada in 1953.

Restrictions

No restrictions on access.

Title Notes

Title based on contents of the fonds.

985291-001 Commission issued to John Josiah Robinette. -- 10 Nov. 1953. -- 1 p.

Scope and Content

Item is a commission issued to John Josiah Robinette by the Department of the Secretary of State of Canada, appointing him a judge of the Supreme Court of Ontario, a member of the Court of Appeal for Ontario and an ex officio member of the High Court of Justice for Ontario.

Restrictions

No restrictions on access.

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