

## Honoring Justice

## Walter F. Timpone

## FOR HIS DISTINGUISHED SERVICE ON THE NEW JERSEY SUPREME COURT, AND HIS CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE FAIR ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE

- WHEREAS, Justice Walter F. Timpone received a bachelor's degree from St. Francis College in New York in 1972 and a master's degree in special education from New York University in 1974; and
- WHEREAS Justice Walter F. Timpone worked as a special education teacher before earning his law degree by attending law school at night; and
- WHEREAS Walter F. Timpone graduated from Seton Hall University School of Law in 1979, and is indeed the first Seton Hall Law graduate appointed to the New Jersey Supreme Court; and
- WHEREAS Justice Walter F. Timpone is the former law clerk to the late U.S. District Court Judge Vincent P. Biunno; and WHEREAS, Justice Walter F. Timpone worked in private practice before joining the U.S. Attorney's Office in 1984, where he served as chief of special prosecutions; and
- WHEREAS Justice Walter F. Timpone returned to private practice in 1995 as a partner at the law firm of McElroy, Deutsch, Mulvaney and Carpenter, LLP where he served in the firm's criminal defense practice; and
- WHEREAS, while at McElroy, Justice Walter F. Timpone served as the first federal election monitor in Passaic County, where he was charged with ensuring the voting rights of the county's Hispanic citizens and the county's compliance with federal and state consent orders; and
- WHEREAS Justice Walter F. Timpone served as a commissioner on the New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission from 2010 to 2016; and
- WHEREAS, Justice Walter F. Timpone was nominated by Gov. Chris Christie and sworn in as an associate justice on May 2, 2016; and
- WHEREAS, Justice Walter F. Timpone has shared his time and expertise generously with members of the legal profession, including speaking at New Jersey State Bar Association events and assisting in the swearing-in of NJSBA Section officers; and
- WHEREAS during his time on the Supreme Court, Justice Walter F. Timpone was the author of opinions on subjects ranging from municipal land use to criminal defense law, including the landmark, far-reaching case of *State v. Cassidy*, which upheld the findings of a special master to allow defendants to seek a re-examination of their convictions stemming from a flawed DWI-testing process, and adopted several other proactive measures to ensure the rights of New Jersey Citizens; and
- WHEREAS, Justice Walter F. Timpone has, through his written opinions while on the New Jersey Supreme Court, demonstrated a deep understanding of the law and has enriched the legal community with his passion for the fair administration of justice;
- BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, the New Jersey State Bar Association and it's over 18,000 members honors and thanks Justice Walter F. Timpone for his impressive career in public and private service that has improved the lives of the residents of New Jersey, and recognizes his profound contributions to the State of New Jersey through his fair and impartial service on the bench, his dedication to the administration of justice and his generous spirit in sharing his insights with the legal profession.
- I, Christine A. Amalfe, Secretary of the New Jersey State Bar Association, do hereby certify that the above is a full, true and accurate copy of a resolution passed by the Board of Trustees on Sept. 11, 2020. In witness thereof, I have hereto set my hand as such Secretary on this 11th day of September 2020.