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### A Tribute to Myron H. Bright

#### William H. Rehnquist†

I am happy to see that the University of Minnesota Law School is dedicating this issue of its Law Review to Judge Myron H. Bright of the Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit. His thirty-year career on the federal bench is a model of achievement and public service, and I congratulate him upon that career.

I first met Judge Bright in a rather small diner-type restaurant, where we were both attending the Judicial Conference of the Eighth Circuit. He had gone on the Court of Appeals several years before, and I had just gone on the Supreme Court. He told me that I reminded him of one of his partners in Fargo, North Dakota, and I told him that he reminded me of a good friend with whom I had grown up in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. We were both Midwesterners and hit it off from there.

If Judge Bright was not the founder of the Jurists-in-Residence program, he was certainly one of the earlier developers. My first contact with the program was when he invited me to the third annual Jurists-in-Residence program at St. Louis University School of Law. Later I participated with him in a second program at California Western School of Law in San Diego in March, 1984, and still a third here at the University of Minnesota in October, 1984. These were all pleasant and stimulating experiences. I like him as a friend and admire him as a judge.

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