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DEDICATION

The St. Mary's Law Journal Editorial Board and Staff dedicate this issue to James N. Castleberry, Jr. on the occasion of his retirement from the office of Dean.

A TRIBUTE TO JAMES N. CASTLEBERRY, JR.

ERNEST A. RABA*

In 1952, Air Force Captain James N. Castleberry, Jr. graduated, with distinction, from this school's Evening Division. One year later, he resigned from the Air Force, and joined the legal staff of John Ben Shepard, Attorney General of Texas. On June 1, 1955, Castleberry accepted the appointment to the full-time faculty of his alma mater.

During the ensuing twenty-three years Dean Castleberry established an outstanding record as: a great teacher, Associate Dean for Placement and Director of Alumni Affairs, distinguished author of water law and other legal subjects, an able assistant to the Dean in substantial fund raising.

This well-done performance resulted in his appointment on June 1, 1978, as Dean, a position held by him until June 1, 1989.

Personal achievements, continued academic improvement, and physical plant needs occupied his tenure as dean: President of Phi Delta Phi International Legal Fraternity, 1977-1979; Visiting Professor (summer sessions) to many law schools; Director of the Innsbruck Summer Program 1986-1989; successfully encouraged faculty research publications; painfully negotiated with the University Administration for a better understanding of the fiscal requirements of the ABA and AALS; increased the faculty by thirteen; reduced the re-

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