

PETITION OF

WILLIAM MCKINLEY
LAW CLUB

OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY
COLUMBUS, OHIO

TO

PHI ALPHA DELTA
LAW FRATERNITY



TO THE SUPREME EXECUTIVE BOARD

AND THE

CHAPTERS OF PHI ALPHA DELTA LAW FRATERNITY

We, the undersigned, regular law students in the College of Law, Ohio State University, situated at Columbus, Ohio, hereby petition for permission to organize a Chapter of Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity at the above institution, and to that end we respectfully ask to be initiated into your Fraternity, and that you grant us, when initiated, a charter as a subordinate chapter of Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity.

We severally agree to abide by the constitution and the rules of said Fraternity, if accepted as charter members of a subordinate chapter thereof.

Should a chapter be granted in accordance with this petition, we desire the name of the chapter to be: **WILLIAM MCKINLEY CHAPTER OF PHI ALPHA DELTA LAW FRATERNITY.**

Dated at Columbus, Ohio, this 14th day of February, 1921.

NAME	YEAR IN SCHOOL
Ernest H. Huston.....	Senior
John Alden Staker.....	Senior
Markley Frankham	Senior
Horace S. Keifer.....	Junior
Clarence Crossland	Junior
Alfred M. Barlow.....	Junior
Raymond A. Younger.....	Junior
Edwin B. Pierce.....	Junior
Ralph E. Marburger.....	Junior
Elden R. Young	Junior
Harold C. Powell.....	Junior
Joseph V. Ralston.....	Junior
Forrest E. Weinrich.....	Junior
Kenneth T. Stevens	Junior
Ralph E. Weaver	Junior
Carl F. Allebaugh.....	Junior



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UNIVERSITY HALL



GYMNASIUM



TOWNSHEND HALL



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THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY

PETITIONERS' INDIVIDUAL DATA

RAYMOND A. YOUNGER, B.A.,

Of Celina, Ohio. Born 1898. Graduate Celina High School, 1916. University of Michigan, 1916-17. Graduate Ohio State University, 1920. Senior Class Orator. Captain Interclass Debating Teams, 1919-20. President Political Science Club, 1919. University Orchestra, 1917-18-19. S. A. T. C., Pi Kappa Alpha, Mason.

HORACE STEELE KEIFER, B.A.,

Of Springfield, Ohio. Born November 16, 1895. Graduate Springfield High School in 1913. Graduate Williams College, 1917, with final honors in history and economics. Highest grade in all courses first semester Freshman Law. Second Lieutenant 332nd Infantry, May 13, 1917-May 19, 1919. Italian offensive. Delta Upsilon, American Legion.

JOSEPH VIVIAN RALSTON, LITT.B.,

Of Columbus, Ohio. Born February 21, 1898, Hamilton, Ontario, Canada. Graduate Columbus Academy. Graduate Princeton University, 1919. Freshman track team. S. A. T. C., Plattsburg R. O. T. C. Delta Upsilon.

JOHN ALDEN STAKER,

Of Portsmouth, Ohio. Born 1895. School teacher four years. Scioto County Normal School, 1914-15. Ohio University, 1917. Three hundred and twenty-seventh Machine Gun Battalion, 84th Division. Modern Woodmen of America, American Legion.

FORREST E. WEINRICH,

Of Vigo, Ohio. Born 1895. Graduate Preparatory School, Ohio University. Two years Ohio University. Baseball. Track. Athletic Council. Board of Control of "Green and White." Torch (scholarship fraternity.) English Club. Second Lieutenant Aviation two years. Sigma Pi, American Legion.

EARNEST H. HUSTON, B.S.,

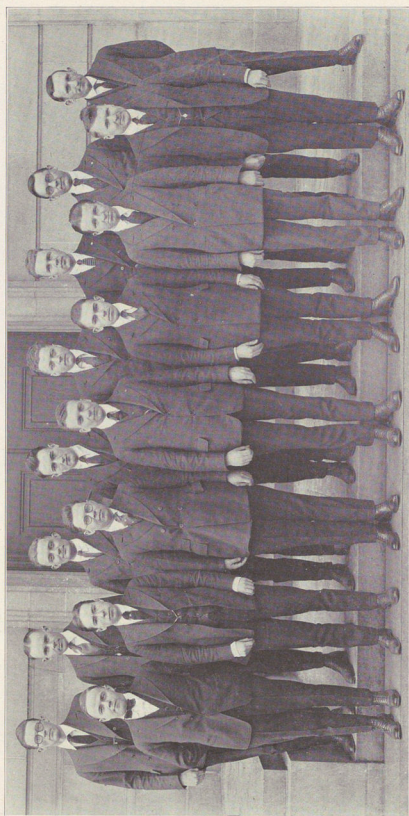
Of Yellow Springs, Ohio. Born 1895. Graduate Yellow Springs High School, 1912. Graduate Antioch College, 1916. President Alpha Debating Society. President Star Literary Society. Assistant Manager Baseball and Basketball Teams. 322nd Field Artillery, 32nd Division. Verlun-Meuse, Argonne. Acacia. Mason, American Legion.

CLARENCE CROSSLAND, B.A.,

Of Zanesville, Ohio. Born January 28, 1895. Graduate Zanesville High School, 1913. Graduate Ohio State University, 1920. Debate Squad. Second Lieutenant 331st Infantry, 83d Division; 26th Infantry, 1st Division. St. Mihiel, Argonne. Wounded at St. Mihiel. Alpha Tau Omega. 32° Mason, Modern Woodman, Knights of Pythias, Exchange Club, American Legion.

RALPH E. WEAVER,

Of Sugarcreek, Ohio. Born October 8, 1895. Graduate Sugarcreek High School, 1915. Mt. Union College two years. Syracuse University one year. Track. Baseball. Enlisted May 15, 1917, 135th Machine Gun Battalion. Second Lieutenant 156th Depot Brigade. Alpha Tau Omega. Knights of Pythias, American Legion.



Huston	Weinrich	Marburger	Pierce	Frankham	Crossland	Barlow	Weaver
Powell	Ralston	Young	Kelley	Stevens	Younger		Staker

RUSSELL ELDEN YOUNG,

Of Bremen, Ohio. Born January 9, 1898, Columbus, Ohio. Graduate Bremen High School, 1916. Enlisted April 30, 1917, 37th Division. Argonne. Wounded. Mason, American Legion.

HAROLD C. POWELL, B.A.,

Of New Lexington, Ohio. Born August 28, 1897. Graduate New Lexington High School, 1915. Graduate Ohio Wesleyan University, 1919. Soccer. S. A. T. C. Mason.

ALFRED M. BARLOW, B.A.,

Of Gallipolis, Ohio. Born July 18, 1890. Gallia Academy. Ohio State University two and one-half years. Graduate Rio Grande University. Student Council, Ohio State. President Republican Club, Rio Grande. First Lieutenant 37th Division. Argonne. Wounded. Distinguished Service Cross. Croix de Guerre with Palm. Sigma Chi. Mason, Elk, Grange, Jr. O. U. A. M., American Legion.

RALPH E. MARBURGER,

Of Columbus, Ohio. Born 1894, Circleville, Ohio. Graduate Circleville High School. Business School one year. Central Union Telephone Co. Traffic Manager, 1917-18. 329th Infantry, 83rd Division. Mason, American Legion.

EDWIN B. PIERCE,

Of Medina, Ohio. Born 1897. Graduate Medina High School, 1915. Western Reserve University, 1916-17. 135th Field Artillery, 37th Division. Pi Kappa Alpha.

KENNETH THOMAS STEVENS,

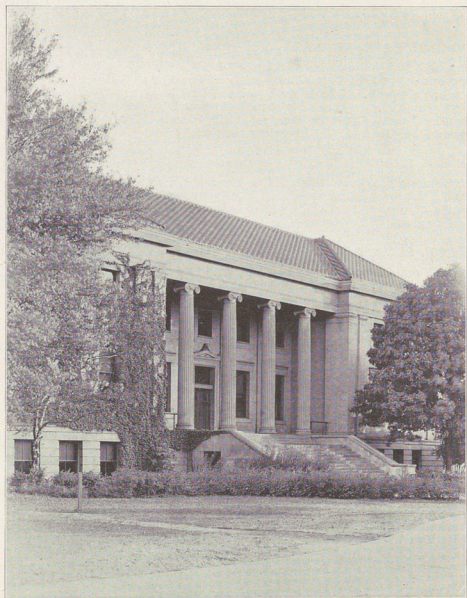
Of Gillespieville, Ohio. Born June 10, 1897. Graduate Chillicothe High School, 1917. Ohio State University, 1917-18. S. A. T. C.

MARKLEY FRANKHAM,

Of Columbus, Ohio. Born 1901. Graduate North High School, Columbus, Ohio. Ohio State University, 1917-18. Debate 1920. Strollers (dramatic organization), 1918-19. Glee Club, 1918-19. Makio Staff, 1920. Delta Upsilon.

CARL F. ALLEBAUGH,

Of Wellsville, Ohio. Born December 9, 1896, Findlay, Ohio. Graduate Bellefontaine High School. Ohio University two years. Vice-president Freshman Class. Aviation one year, Carruther's Field Training Camp. Delta Tau Delta. Mason, American Legion.



PAGE HALL

HISTORY OF THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF LAW

The College of Law of the Ohio State University opened October 1, 1891, with an initial enrollment of 33 students. Classes were first held in the county court house. From there they were transferred to the basement of the main building. In 1903, Page Hall, the present home of the Law College, was completed. It was built at a cost of \$110,000, and named after Henry Falsom Page, an eminent attorney of Circleville, Ohio.

The Ohio State University Law College was the first in the country to require two years of Arts work as a prerequisite for a law degree. This was in the year 1895 and preceded a similar requirement by the Harvard Law School by one year.

All classes are held in the mornings, five days a week. The casebook method of instruction is used. Classroom instruction is supplemented by the holding of moot courts. From its beginning the school has been a member of the American Association of Law Schools.

The law faculty is headed by John J. Adams, former Circuit Court Judge in Ohio and law author. Other members of the faculty number five, the services of all of whom are frequently demanded in writings or consultations. Otherwise their time is devoted exclusively to the university.

The Law Library contains over 21,000 volumes, comprehensive in scope. The leading legal periodicals are subscribed for. Ample facilities are provided and full opportunity to make use of the library is accorded.

The present enrollment is 160. The legal fraternities now existing are Phi Delta Phi and Delta Theta Phi.

Being located in the city of Columbus, the capital of the State of Ohio, the Law School offers unusual advantages to its students for observation and study of the various departments of the State Government in action. The law students have opportunity to attend the Supreme Court of Ohio, the Federal District Court, the Circuit Court, the Local County Court and the Municipal Courts of the city of Columbus. They also have opportunity to attend sessions of the State Legislature when it is in session, and follow the workings of that body.

LETTERS

THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY
W. O. Thompson, President
Columbus

February 9, 1921.

Phi Alpha Delta,
Law Fraternity.
Dear Sirs:

I have been acquainted for a considerable time with all the sixteen men now applying to your Fraternity for authority to establish a chapter at Ohio State University. I take pleasure in stating that these young men are of high character and that their average of scholarship and industry is very satisfactory and that in my opinion such a group of men are worthy of membership in any fraternity.

Yours truly,
JOHN J. ADAMS,
Dean.

OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY
College of Law
Columbus

February 10, 1921.

To the Chapters
Phi Alpha Delta.
Dear Sirs:

It is with a great deal of pleasure that I recommend for your consideration the application of a group of men in the College of Law here for a local Chapter of Phi Alpha Delta. As Chairman of the Committee on Fraternities in the University, and as a member of the Faculty of the College of Law, I feel more than usually justified in making this recommendation. There is, in my opinion, a place in the University for such a chapter and the group of men asking for it are altogether worthy of receiving such a chapter.

Yours respectfully,
ALONZO H. TUTTLE,
Chairman of Committee on
Fraternities.

THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY
W. O. Thompson, President
Columbus

February 11, 1921.

To the Chapters
Phi Alpha Delta.

The group of Law students of this University applying for a Charter, is composed of men who are mature and deeply interested in the study of the Law and in student organizations which have for their purpose the furtherance of legitimate student aims and the welfare of the University. All of them have spent more than one year in this College of Law, and two years or more in preliminary academic work. They, therefore, are thoroughly awake to the purpose and possibility of such an organization as they have in mind, and it is with great pleasure that I recommend them to your favorable consideration.

Sincerely,
GEORGE W. RIGHTMIRE,
Professor of Law.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE
Columbus

February 11, 1921.

Mr. Clarence Crossland,
1932 Waldeck Avenue,
Columbus, Ohio.
My dear Clarence:

I note that sixteen students of the Law College of Ohio State University, one of whom is yourself, are about to petition Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity for a chapter at your University, to be known as the William McKinley Chapter.

This is a most commendable move on the part of your group and I assure you you enter into this arrangement with my very sincere best wishes. It is not my privilege to know personally the other members of the group, but I have no doubt they are all high grade young men like yourself and that the success of your venture is thereby assured.

I desire to extend to you and to your group my very kindest interest and best wishes for your success and to assure you of my most hearty co-operation.

Yours very truly,
HARVEY C. SMITH,
Secretary of State.

SUPREME COURT OF OHIO
Columbus

February 14, 1921.

To The Chapters of Phi Alpha Delta:

My attention has been called to the petition of a group of the students of the Law College of the Ohio State University for a chapter at the Ohio State University in the Phi Alpha Delta.

In the same connection, my attention has been called to a list of the students who are filing said petition. I notice among the group the name of Horace Keifer, of Springfield, Ohio, and while I do not happen to know Mr. Horace Keifer, his name brings to me some very tender memories of my associations with his illustrious father in the Law School of the Cincinnati College, during the years 1891 and 1892. Mr. Horace C. Keifer and myself were classmates and were unusually warm friends and closely associated in all our activities as students. It was also my privilege to be associated with him in one matter after we were admitted to practice. I was also very happy to co-labor with him in an effort to nominate his illustrious father, General J. Warren Keifer, as a candidate for Governor of Ohio. Upon inquiry, I learn that Mr. Keifer is making a splendid record in the Ohio State University. I am sure that any fraternity which would number the name Keifer in its membership would be greatly honored thereby.

Another student whose name I notice in this group is Mr. Clarence Crossland, of Zanesville, Ohio. I trust that it will be pardonable on my part if I feel a partiality toward anyone hailing from Zanesville, Ohio. In this particular instance, however, it is only fair to state that Mr. Crossland made a splendid record in the Zanesville High School and that he is a young man of splendid habits and attainments and is destined to make a success of anything he undertakes. The name Crossland stands very high in the estimate of all the people of Muskingum County, Ohio.

I regret that I am not acquainted with more members of this group, and as to the others I can only say that inasmuch as they have the endorsement of my lifelong friend, Hon. John J. Adams, Dean of the Law College, I am sure that each and all of them are entitled to the same commendation which I am able to give to only two of the members.

Very respectfully,
C. T. MARSHALL,
Chief Justice,
Supreme Court of Ohio.

THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY
W. O. Thompson, President
Columbus

February 11, 1921.

To the Chapters,
Phi Alpha Delta.

I am glad to commend the William McKinley Club, which has been recently organized in our law school. I understand that this club is petitioning for a Charter in Phi Alpha Delta, and, from the viewpoint of a member of that organization, I say without hesitation that a Chapter formed from this club as a nucleus, would be a credit to our fraternity. The average of scholarship among the club members is good, and their attitude toward the School and their work is sound. From the teacher's standpoint, I think that the addition of another professional fraternity of recognized standing, would be a good thing for our law school. The student body is large enough to supply an able membership for it, and the influence of such an organization upon its members is soon observed by the faculty.

From all viewpoints, then, it is my personal desire that this petition of the William McKinley Club be granted.

Fraternally yours,
J. W. MADDEN,
Professor of Law.
Marshall Chapter (1914.)

PHI ALPHA DELTA LAW FRATERNITY

February 21, 1921.

To the Chapters of the Fraternity,
Greeting:

I am very glad to add my personal indorsement to the petition of the group from Ohio State University. On two different occasions, I met with these men and took advantage of my opportunity to form an impartial estimate of them.

In my opinion, they are truly representative of the best element in the Law School of today and are worthy in every respect of admission to brotherhood in Phi Alpha Delta.

So much is known of the standing and progress of Ohio State University Law School, that I hardly need to say that it is recognized as one of the best state institutions in America. I am also confident that there is ample room and opportunity there, for a flourishing chapter of our fraternity.

I heartily recommend the unanimous approval of this petition.

Fraternally yours,
AUGUST A. RENDIGS, JR.,
Supreme Justice.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF INVESTIGATION

Mr. August A. Rendigs, Jr.,
805 Second National Building,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

Your committee, appointed to investigate the group of law students at Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio, who are contemplating petitioning Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity for a charter, beg leave to submit the following report:

OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY

Ohio State University is located at Columbus, the capital of the State of Ohio. It is ideally located in the northern end of the city, having a large and beautiful campus which fronts North High Street, one of the principal thoroughfares of the city. Practically each department of the University has a separate building of its own. These buildings are all modern in structure and equipment and many of them of beautiful and imposing architecture.

Ohio State University was founded in 1870. Among its many departments are included the following: Arts, Graduate, Law, Medicine, Agriculture, Engineering, Education, Commerce and Journalism, Pharmacy, Dentistry and Veterinary.

The University has a large faculty of able educators. There are one hundred and sixty professors and about three hundred instructors in the various departments of the University.

At present the enrollment in all departments of the University is approximately eight thousand students. In 1920, the graduating class of the University numbered one thousand.

Ohio State University ranks high as an institution of learning. It has a large and growing body of alumni, many of whom have attained advanced positions in the various activities of the country. The University is a member of the following organizations: The Association of American Colleges and Universities, The National Association of State Universities, and the National Association of Land Grant Colleges.

In athletics Ohio State University holds an enviable position. It is a member of the Western Conference and as such its athletic teams in the various sports, meet the teams of practically all the universities of the Middle West. Last year the Ohio State Football Team won the Western Conference Football Championship.

Practically all of the leading literary and professional fraternities of the country are represented by thriving chapters at Ohio State University. There are about forty national and local fraternities and sororities represented on the campus. Many of these fraternities and sororities have beautiful chapter houses located in the residential section which surrounds the University campus.

LAW DEPARTMENT

[Statements of the committee concerning the Law Department are of facts set forth on page 7.]

ATTITUDE OF UNIVERSITY AUTHORITIES TOWARD FRATERNITIES

Fraternities are neither encouraged nor discouraged. There is, however, perfect freedom of organization allowed to the students.

There is a ruling of the faculty that all students who wish to become charter members of a new fraternity must have an average mark in their

class work of "A." "A" in the University system of grading means average grade. This rule is strictly enforced and it precludes any organization of the less diligent class of students. It also insures a high grade of students to any group seeking to organize themselves into a fraternity.

PERSONNEL OF THE GROUP

Of the sixteen members of the group, seven have Liberal Arts degrees, and the other nine have all had at least one year of College work. Ten members of the group are members of literary fraternities.

With one exception, all the members of the group were engaged in some branch of the Service during the late war. One member was a first lieutenant, four were second lieutenants, and three bear wounds received while in action with the American Expeditionary Forces in France.

The members of this group are all mature, serious-minded young men. They are aggressive and earnest. They possess character as men and stand well in their classes in the Law School. They enjoy the respect and good will of the Law faculty and of their fellow students. The group as a whole is a well balanced one and will mould itself into an organization of the highest calibre.

RECOMMENDATIONS

After careful survey of conditions at Ohio State University and the Law Department in particular, after personal interviews with President Thompson of the University and Dean Adams of the Law Department, and after meeting personally the members of this group, your committee respectfully makes the following recommendation:

- (1) That Ohio State University, being an institution of the first rank, is entirely worthy of being granted a chapter of the Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity. There are already two chapters of our fraternity in Ohio, one at Cleveland, another at Cincinnati. Phi Alpha Delta should be represented at Ohio State. There is a chance to become at once one of the two leading law fraternities there.
- (2) We feel that we can not recommend too highly the petitioning group. They are deserving young men. We are sure that they will, if granted a charter, be a valuable addition to our fraternity — distinctly an asset on the credit side of the ledger.

Respectfully submitted,

HARRISON L. McCARTHY,
Campbell '17.

FRANK A. HARRINGTON,
Marshall '20.

J. WARREN MADDEN,
Marshall '14.