

PETITION OF
The L. Q. C. Lamar Club
University of Mississippi
Oxford, Mississippi

TO

Phi Alpha Delta
FRATERNITY



TO THE SUPREME EXECUTIVE BOARD
AND THE
CHAPTERS OF PHI ALPHA DELTA LAW FRATERNITY

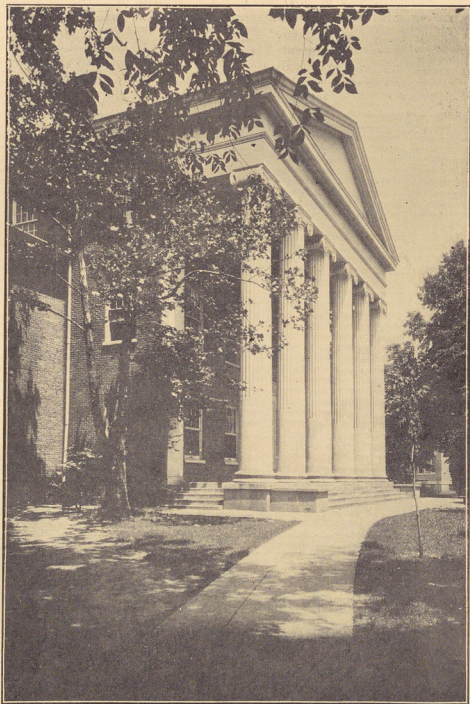
We, the undersigned regular law students in the College of Law of University of Mississippi, situated at Oxford, Mississippi, hereby petition for permission to organize a Chapter of Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity at the above institution, and to that end we respectfully ask to be initiated into your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

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 charter be granted in accordance with this petition, we desire the name of the Chapter to be, THE L. Q. C. LAMAR CHAPTER OF PHI ALPHA DELTA LAW FRATERNITY.

Dated at University, Mississippi, this 22nd day of April, 1929.

NAME	YEAR IN SCHOOL
Joseph Pleasant McCain.....	Senior
Ernest L. Shelton, Jr.....	Senior
Kennith Douglas Horton.....	Senior
Henry Hilburn, Jr.....	Junior
Bramlett Roberts.....	Junior
Henry Adrian Coleman.....	Junior
Barney E. Eaton, Jr.....	Junior
Orien Marshall Marsalis.....	Junior
Hugh N. Clayton.....	First Year
Buford Rowland.....	First Year
Jesse H. Graham.....	First Year
Cary Stovall.....	First Year
Francis Holt Montgomery.....	First Year
David Cottrell.....	First Year
George Payne Cossar.....	First Year
Willis McIlwain.....	First Year
Claud F. Clayton.....	First Year
John R. Edwards.....	First Year
Ralph Criss, Jr.....	First Year
Story Lowery Fortenberry.....	First Year
Thomas Ford Colbert.....	First Year



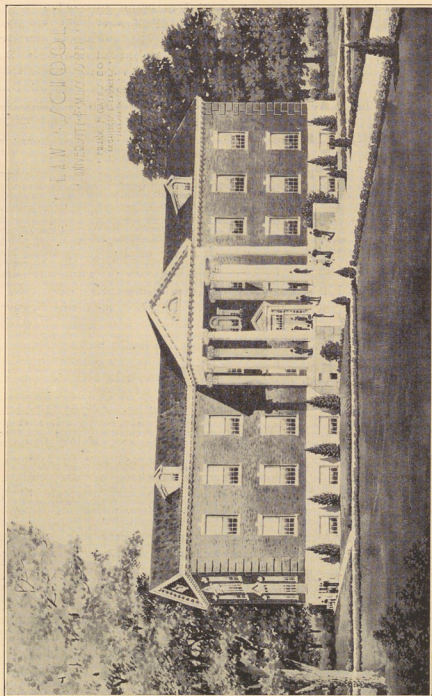
THE LYCEUM BUILDING

HISTORICAL SKETCH

The University of Mississippi was chartered in 1844. In July, 1848, the election of the first faculty was held, and November 6, 1848, the first session opened with a faculty of four members and about fifty students present. In the fall of 1861, owing to the existence of the Civil War, only four pupils appeared for matriculation, the faculty resigned, and exercises were suspended until the fall of 1865. The board of trustees, when the exercises were suspended in 1861, appointed Professors A. J. Quinche and Burton H. Harrison as custodians of the buildings and other property of the University. Professor Harrison resigned his place at the University and served as secretary to the President of the Confederate States. Since its reopening in the fall of 1865 its doors have never again been closed. The University of Mississippi has had a long and honorable career. Affectionately known to alumni and others as "Ole Miss", the institution is rich in ideals and traditions. During the eighty years of its existence some twelve thousand graduates have gone forth from its walls to take their place in the forefront of those controlling the destinies of the state and nation. Over this long span of years, the University has grown rapidly until the past session found over eleven hundred students registered in the seven schools composing the University.

The School of Law of the University has had a history commensurate with that of the institution itself. It began almost with the opening of the School, and since that time it has ever proven its increasing worth to the State. The original plan of the University was to establish a course in Law, but six years elapsed before in 1854, a law department was organized. During its early infancy the Hon. L. Q. C. Lamar, later Supreme Justice of the United States, held a guiding hand over its destinies. He served as a professor of law from 1867 to 1870. With later years the names of many eminent jurists of Mississippi have contributed as faculty members to its honor and advancement.

At the present time the School of Law numbers about one hundred students. It is the only law school in the State either public or private. Four instructors constitute the personnel of the splendid faculty who supervise the study and work during the three year course leading to a Bachelor of Laws degree. Three of these instructors were at one time members of the bench. At the beginning of another school year it is believed that another member will be added to the faculty. By act of the State Legislature students receiving a degree from this law school are admitted to practice in the State without further examination. It is interesting to note that the Law School of the University ranks as the fourth oldest law school in the entire country.



THE NEW LAW BUILDING

NEW BUILDING PROGRAM

During the session of the Mississippi Legislature, held in the latter part of 1928, the University of Mississippi received a large permanent endowment fund. With the liberal allowance, the erection of many new buildings were immediately planned, and work actually begun on the buildings for their completion by the beginning of the fall term of 1929. In this building program there will be six new boys' and one girls' dormitory, one of the finest gymnasiums in the south, a field house for the benefit of the athletes, a four year course in medicine with a new hospital, a new cafeteria that is estimated to feed from fifteen hundred to two thousand students per hour, a graduate school and the erection of a new law building.

Construction of the new Law building is being pushed rapidly and will easily be finished in time for the beginning of the fall session. The building will have a basement in which there will be the offices of the Law Journal, rooms for the law fraternities, a work room and a smoking room. The space on the first floor will be taken up with three class-rooms and three professors' offices. On the second floor there will be a reading room at the west end, while at the east end will be stock rooms, two professors' offices, a practice court room, clerk's office, and librarian's office. The mezzanine floor will be used as an expansion for the library.

REQUIREMENTS FOR ADMISSION

FIRST YEAR STUDENTS. In order to be admitted as a regular student in the Law School, it is necessary, in addition to the completion of a standard four-year high school course, that the student shall have completed two years of college—that is, not less than sixty-five semester hours of credit in the College of Liberal Arts—or shall present satisfactory credits for equivalent work done in some other school or college. The Registrar of the University is authorized to evaluate the credits presented by students coming from other schools or institutions. All candidates must be at least nineteen years of age although this rule may be waived in exceptional cases.

SPECIAL STUDENTS. Any student twenty-one years of age who is unable to meet the requirements of a regular student may be admitted as a special student, if he satisfies the Dean that he possesses sufficient mental capacity, training and industry, to enable him to do the work required. No special student will be entitled to receive a degree or certificate for work done. If the work of any special student proves unsatisfactory, he will be dismissed from the school. The number of special students is limited. The number exceeded each year shall not exceed ten per cent of the average number of students first entering the School during each of the two preceding years.

THE MISSISSIPPI LAW JOURNAL

The Mississippi Law Journal, a joint publication of the law students of the University Law School and the State Bar Association, was established by a resolution of the Bar Association at the 1928 convention, and was issued for the first time at the beginning of the current session. This Journal is issued quarterly. Both the editor and business manager are elected from the members of the senior class of the University Law School, thus leaving it entirely to the discretion and initiative of the students to determine the business and editorial policies of the journal.

The purpose of this journal is to acquaint both the practitioners and students with current legal questions; and at the same time to promote a closer relationship between the members of the bar and the students.

This periodical contains leading articles by judges, lawyers, and teachers, and also articles which are written by the students. The articles contributed by the students have afforded them excellent opportunity of research and training, as well as giving the other students a source of authority on various points. Recent Mississippi cases which are of peculiar interests appear in the journal; these cases have enabled the students as well as the members of the bar to acquaint themselves with the latest authority on the points involved in the cases given.

PETITIONING GROUP

ERNEST L. SHELTON, JR.,

Born Bolivar, Tennessee, March 17, 1903. Graduated from Water Valley High School; Attended Northwestern University and DePaul University; Member of Law Journal Staff; Bobbs Merrill Prize in Legal Research; Alpha Delta Mu, (Petitioning Phi Kappa Psi.); Phi Sigma Literary Society; Lamar Club President. Grade A.

JOSEPH PLEASANT McCAIN,

Born Eupora, Mississippi, December 2, 1893. Graduated from Bennett Academy 1914; President of the Associated Student Body of the University of Mississippi; Representative of Mississippi Intercollegiate Oratorical Association; President of Phi Sigma Literary Society; Anniversarian Phi Sigma Literary Society (Twice); President of Mississippi College Club; President of Masonic Club; Intercollegiate Debating Team; Member of University Athletic Council; Honor Speaker Commencement 1929; Associate Professor of Politics and Economics; Alpha Tau Omega; Iota

Sigma; Alpha Phi Epsilon; Tau Kappa Alpha; Mason; Shriner; B.S. Degree, University of Mississippi; Candidate for Master of Arts Degree. Grade A.

KENNETH DOUGLASS HORTON,

Born Purvis, Mississippi, October 25, 1903. B.S. Degree, State Teachers College; Student Instructor; Assistant Director of Extension; Secretary to the Dean of Men. Grade B+.

HENRY HILBUN, JR.,

Born Laurel, Mississippi, September 15, 1907. Graduated from Laurel High School; Mississippian Staff; Alpha Phi Epsilon; Phi Sigma Literary Society, President and Critic; Sigma Chi, President. Grade Bx. Lamar Club Vice-President.

C. BRAMLETT ROBERTS,

Born Oxford, Mississippi, July 4, 1907. Graduated from Oxford High School; Intercollegiate Debating Team; Vice-President Junior Law Class; Anniversarian Phi Sigma Literary Society; President Phi Sigma; Sigma Phi Epsilon. Lamar Club, Secretary. Grade C.

FRANCIS HOLT MONTGOMERY,

Born Hazlehurst, Mississippi, November 4, 1906. B.A. Mississippi College; Member of Three Year Club; Vice-President of Three Year Club; Mississippi College Glee Club; Entered University of Mississippi, 1928; Glee Club; Sigma Chi. Grade B.

DAVID COTRELL,

Born West Point, Mississippi, June 7, 1908. Graduated from West Point High School; Attended New Mexico Military Institute; First Lieutenant; Awarded Cup as Best Bandman; The "I" Club (Baseball); Student Director of Band; Secretary of Ole Miss Glee Club; Treasurer of Y. M. C. A.; Phi Delta Theta. Grade B.

GEORGE PAYNE COSSAR,

Born Webb, Mississippi, August 26, 1907. Graduated from Charleston High School; Cardinal Club; President of Cardinal Club; Vice-President of First Year Law Class; Dance Committee; Mississippian Board of Control; Assistant Business Manager of "Y" Handbook; Most Popular Boy; Blue Key; Sigma Nu. Grade C.

WILLIS McILWAIN,

Born Richton, Mississippi, January 9, 1905. Graduated from W. C. A. H. S.; Graduated from Mississippi College; B.A. Degree;

President of Senior Class; President Mississippi College Bar Association; Literary Editor of Tribesman; Student Body Attorney; President of Philomathean Literary Society; Assistant Editor of "Y" Book; Most Influential Student; Chairman of Honor Council; Honor Student; Entered University of Mississippi, 1928; Beta Theta Pi. Grade C.

CLAUDE F. CLAYTON,

Born Tupelo, Mississippi, August 4, 1907. Graduated from Tupelo High School; Secretary of First Year Law Class; Advertising Manager of "Ole Miss"; Sigma Alpha Epsilon; Hermean. Grade B+.

JOHN R. EDWARDS,

Born Hattiesburg, Mississippi, May 13, 1907. Graduated from Laurel High School; Cardinal Club; Treasurer and Vice-President of Engineering Club; Treasurer of Delta Phi Epsilon; Pi Kappa Phi; Phi Sigma Literary Club. Lamar Club Treasurer. Grade C.

HENRY ADRIAN COLEMAN,

Born Corning, Arkansas, May 26, 1905. Phi Sigma Literary Society; President of Phi Pi Phi. Grade C.

BARNEY E. EATON, JR.,

Born January 19, 1909 at Laurel, Mississippi. Graduated from Gulfport High School; Vanderbilt University '24, '25, '26, '27, '28; Freshman Football '24; Swimming Team '25, '26, '27, '28; Commodore Representative Freshman Law Class; Kappa Alpha. Grade B.

HUGH N. CLAYTON,

Born Ripley, Mississippi, August 22, 1907. Graduated from Ripley High School; Ole Miss Band; Mississippian Collegiana; Greek Club; Education Club; Student Assistant in History; Intercollegiate Debating Team; Mississippi Folk Lore Society; Mississippian Staff; Honor Student; Herman Literary Society; Phi Delta Theta. Lamar Club, Marshall. Grade B+.

BUFORD ROWLAND,

Born Sumner, Mississippi, August 27, 1909. Graduated from Charleston High School; Junior Baseball Manager; Beta Theta Pi. Grade C.

JESSE H. GRAHAM,

Born Mississippi City, Mississippi, July 10, 1908. Graduated from Meridian High School; Assistant Business Manager of Mis-

Mississippian; Phi Sigma Literary Society; Pi Kappa Alpha. Grade C.

CARY STOVALL,

Born Corinth, Mississippi, March 15, 1907. President of First Year Law Class; President of Phi Sigma Literary Society; Varsity Track Manager; Class Editor "Ole Miss"; Assistant Cheer Leader; Mississippian Staff; Assistant Instructor in Office Management and Filing; Cardinal Club; Blue Key; Delta Sigma Pi; Tau Kappa Alpha; Alpha Phi Epsilon; Delta Tau Delta. Grade C.

RALPH CRISS, JR.,

Born Colds Creek, Mississippi, September 3, 1908. Graduated from Coffeeville High School; B. A. Degree, University of Mississippi; Distinction; Folk Lore Society; Greek Club; Latin Club; Phi Sigma Literary Society. Grade C.

STORY LOWREY FORTENBERRY,

Born Oakville, Mississippi, June 2, 1905. Graduated from F. A. H. S.; Secretary Sophomore Class; Vice-President of Junior Class; President of Senior Class; Reporter; Sports Editor; Managing Editor of Mississippian; Secretary, Vice-President, President and Aniversarian of Herman Literary Society; Junior Manager of Football; Assistant in Commercial Law; Alpha Phi Epsilon; Iota Sigma; M. O. A. K. S. Grade C.

THOMAS FORD COLBERT,

Born Columbia, Mississippi, October 12, 1907. Graduated from Columbia High School; Latin Club; Greek Club; Golf Team; M. O. A. K. S.; Sigma Chi. C.

ORIEN MARSHALL MARSALIS,

Born Liberty, Mississippi, 1907. Graduated Amite County A. H. S.; Sigma Phi Epsilon; Phi Sigma Literary Society. Grade B.

ROBERSON HORTON,

Born, Grenada Mississippi. Graduated from Grenada High School; Davidson College; Phi Gamma Delta; Glee Club; Boxing Team. Grade C.



OFFICE OF THE CHANCELLOR

University P. O. Miss.

April 19, 1929.

Phi Alpha Delta Legal Fraternity,

Gentlemen:

At the request of a group of students, representing the Lamar Club of the University of Mississippi Law School, I take pleasure in writing you in their behalf. These young men are petitioning for membership in your national organization. Believing that you would be much pleased with them, that they would be a welcome addition to your fraternity, and that they are worthy of the recognition which they seek, I am glad to heartily indorse their application for admission as a chapter of Phi Alpha Delta.

Very sincerely yours,

ALFRED HUME,
Chancellor.

UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI

University, Miss.

April 22nd, 1929.

To The Phi Alpha Delta Legal Fraternity;

I desire to commend to your favorable consideration the petition filed with you for a charter by a group of young men in this School of Law. There is a splendid opening at this time in the school for another good legal fraternity, such as yours. There is only one fraternity in the school, namely, Phi Delta Phi. Our enrollment this session runs over one hundred law students and only twenty or twenty five of this number have been absorbed by the Phi Delta Phi Fraternity. The entire Law Faculty would be pleased to see your organization with a chapter in this school.

I know individually each member of the petitioning group and take pleasure in bearing witness to their excellent standing in the school from the standpoint of leadership, scholarship, socially and morally. It is an outstanding group of law students of which any fraternity would justly be proud.

Yours very truly,

T. C. KIMBROUGH,
Dean.

WILL E. WARD

Starkville, Miss.

April 19, 1929.

To All Chapters of Phi Alpha Delta:

The writer of this letter was initiated into Staples Chapter of Phi Alpha Delta in 1912. At that time there were but three chapters of the fraternity in the South and only two members of the fraternity in Mississippi.

A gradual but healthy growth has been experienced by Phi Alpha Delta in the Southern States since that time, yet to-day we have fewer members in Mississippi than in any other State of the Union.

Since entering the practice here sixteen years ago, I have had constantly in mind the establishing of a chapter of our fraternity in Mississippi. Not until recently, however, did I believe that conditions justified such a step.

The faculty in the law department of the University of Mississippi is as able, and the courses of study as thorough, as can be found in any Southern law School. The physical equipment, however, has seriously impaired the usefulness and standing of the school. At its last regular session, our state legislature appropriated \$1,600,000.00 for the university, included in which was an ample fund for the erecting and equipping of a first class law building, and this building is now under construction. As the result of this much needed improvement, the suspension of the school from the American Association of Law Schools is now being removed.

With the whole-hearted co-operation of the entire faculty and the invaluable assistance of Bro. W. R. Newman, a member of the student body transferred from Alabama, we have succeeded in perfecting the organization of the Lamar Club, a petitioning group of which any fraternity might well be proud.

It has been my pleasure to meet personally all the members of this group. I have checked their scholastic records in the office of the dean, and have investigated their character, standing and ability from every possible angle. It is my deliberate judgment that Phi Alpha Delta can ask no higher standard than is measured up to by the Lamar Club.

I am therefore writing this letter to urge that the chapters give this petition immediate favorable consideration to the end that a splendid opportunity for entering Mississippi may be taken advantage of before the present session closes.

Fraternally yours,

WILL E. WARD

OFFICE OF THE DEAN
University, Mississippi

President of Phi Alpha Delta
Saint Louis, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

I have been requested by the group of law students calling themselves the "Lamar Club", and who are now petitioning Phi Alpha Delta for a charter, to express to you my estimate of them.

I know all of the men in the list, and quite a number of them intimately. In my work as Dean of Men I have had occasion to come into contact with each one of them. I can assure you that they are an excellent group of young men, including in their number several outstanding student leaders. The scholarship of all of them is good. Their general attitude toward the University, their fellow students and the faculty is wholesome. I recommend them to you as a group which, in my judgment, would reflect credit upon Phi Alpha Delta.

Yours sincerely,

CHAS. N. WUNDER,
Dean.

UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI

April 24, 1929.

To All Chapters of Phi Alpha Delta

Dear Brothers:

I was initiated into Phi Alpha Delta at the University of Alabama. Upon transferring to the University of Mississippi Law School I found that there were very few members of our fraternity in the State. There was only one legal fraternity here. I realized the need of another legal fraternity here and also realize that this was a good place for us to have a chapter of Phi Alpha Delta. You are being petitioned now by the L. Q. C. Lamar Club of this University.

It gives me great pleasure to recommend to you the Lamar Club that is petitioning our fraternity. I know personally every member of this group and know that too much cannot be said in their behalf as a group or individually. They represent the highest type of manhood on the University Campus. They are leaders on the campus in student activities and also in their scholastic standing. I feel sure that they will be a credit to our fraternity if taken in. There is not a man among the group that I will not personally vouch for, and if Phi Alpha Delta turns this group down I feel that the fraternity will be losing by it.

Fraternally yours,

W. R. NEWMAN

Morgan '27