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## WHITNEY NORTH SEYMOUR, JR.

*United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York*

New York Law School honors a young lawyer, the son of a distinguished lawyer, former President of the American Bar Association and the Association of the Bar of the City of New York, and a very learned and gracious lady, Mr. and Mrs. Whitney North Seymour, Sr.

Whitney North Seymour, Jr. was graduated from Princeton University in 1947 with the degree of A.B. Magna Cum Laude. He was a member of Phi Beta Kappa and a Varsity Letter Man. In 1950, he received the degree of Bachelor of Laws from Yale Law School, where he served on the Board of Editors of the *Yale Law Journal*.

In World War II he served two years in New Guinea, the Admiralty Islands, and the Philippines, and rose from Private to Captain in the Artillery.

His public service is outstanding. He served as an Assistant United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York from 1953 to 1956, participating in a number of trials involving hijacking, fraud, gold smuggling, and stolen car cases, and was Chief Appellate Attorney. From 1959 to 1961, he was Chief Counsel, Special Unit, State Commission of Investigation, where he initiated investigations into waste and corruption in city government, which resulted in disclosure of irregularities in a number of departments of the City of New York.

From 1966 to 1968 he served as Senator from the 26th District in Manhattan in the New York State Legislature, where he gained wide recognition for his work as Chairman of the Senate Committee on Housing, and sponsored 125 new laws over a three-year period. He originated new legislative proposals to combat urban problems, particularly in the fields of education, housing, urban design, pollution, planning, judicial reform, and consumer protection. The Citizens Union, in 1966, gave him its highest rating, saying, "His legislative program as a whole was one of the most significant and constructive, and his independent voting record, in the Citizens Union's judgment, was one of the best in either party."

He gave up his Senate seat in 1968 to run for Congress in the 17th District of Manhattan, where he was defeated in the year when the Humphrey-Muskie ticket carried New York City.

His other public service includes such outstanding activities as Chairman of the Civil Rights Committee of the New York County Lawyers' Association from 1962 to 1965, and volunteer attorney for the Legal Aid Society; Trustee of the New York Public Library; Chairman of the Legal Advisory Committee of the President's Council on Environ-

mental Quality; President of the Park Association of New York City, Inc., and presently a member of the board; a Director of the New York Botanical Garden, and a charter Director of Citizens for Clean Air, Inc. He is a former Chairman of the New York State Senate Housing Committee, and a Director of the Citizens' Housing and Planning Council.

He is interested also in the arts, and was the sponsor of legislation to establish the New York State Council on Architecture and South Street Maritime Museum. As an active amateur artist, his work has been exhibited at the National Academy of Design and recognized in *Life* magazine.

He has been active in the New York City, State, and American Bar Associations, and is presently a Director of the New York County Lawyers' Association.

As United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York, he has conducted that office with courage, energy, and intelligence, making him a worthy successor of such outstanding United States Attorneys as Stimson, Buckner and Dewey. He and his wife and two daughters live in Greenwich Village.

In recognition of this outstanding record of public service, the Trustees of New York Law School are proud to confer upon this distinguished lawyer and public servant, Whitney North Seymour, Jr., the degree of Doctor of Laws, *honoris causa*, with all the right and privilege thereinto appertaining.



## SAMUEL RABIN

*Presiding Justice of the Appellate Division, Second Department*

Samuel Rabin was born in New York City and has devoted a great part of his life to the service of his native city and state and his home county, Queens.

A graduate of Cornell University and of New York University School of Law, Judge Rabin was admitted to the practice of law in 1928. Married ten years later to Florence Mittlemann, he is the father of two children, Robert J. and Jane.

In 1945 Judge Rabin entered upon a long career of public service when he was elected to the New York State Assembly. He served in the Assembly until 1954, becoming Chairman of the Insurance Committee, Vice-Chairman of the Joint Legislative Committee on Charitable and Philanthropic Agencies, and Vice-Chairman of the Temporary State Commission to Study New York City Government.

In 1954 Judge Rabin was elected a Justice of the State Supreme Court, and in 1962 he was designated to serve as an Associate Justice of the Appellate Division for the Second Department, the busiest appellate court in the state. On January 1, 1971 he became the Presiding Justice of that Court. As such, he is one of the five members of the Administrative Board of the Judicial Conference, the agency vested with authority and responsibility for the judicial system of the state.

Long active in charitable causes, Judge Rabin has served as President of the Queens Borough Council on Social Welfare, Trustee and President of the Jewish Community Services of Long Island, Member of the Board of Founders and Trustee of Long Island Jewish Hospital, and Member of Cornell University Council.

In recognition of his long and distinguished career as lawyer, legislator, trial justice, appellate justice, and presiding justice of one of our state's foremost courts, New York Law School is pleased to confer upon Samuel Rabin the degree of Doctor of Laws, Honoris Causa, with all the rights and privileges thereunto appertaining.

## MAURICE R. GREENBERG

*President and Chief Executive Officer,  
American International (Ins.) Group, Inc.*

Nine years after his graduation from New York Law School, Maurice R. Greenberg, at the age of 33, became counsel and Vice-President of the Continental Insurance Company, the youngest man to hold that post in its 62-year history.

Today he is President of the American International Group, Inc., a holding company for an insurance operation whose activities extend to some 130 countries, and whose dramatic growth, with assets approaching one billion dollars, is exciting news in the industry—a meteoric rise for a comparatively young man!

Maurice R. Greenberg first saw the light of day in the City of New York in May of 1925. Yet his early life was spent on a farm in Swan Lake, Sullivan County, New York, to which he credits much of his self-reliance.

While still at high school, he enlisted in the U.S. Army in 1942 at the age of 17, one year less than the minimum age, and participated in every major campaign on the European continent until 1945, when he received his honorable discharge. He thereafter completed his high school education, continued at the University of Miami, obtained his LL.B. degree from New York Law School in 1950, and was duly admitted to the New York State bar, only to be recalled to service in the Korean War in 1951, retiring with the rank of Captain.

In 1952 he joined the Continental Casualty Company in New York, rising rapidly through the ranks, becoming Assistant Counsel, Vice-President, and then Counsel and Vice-President.

His dramatic rise continued as he became Vice-President of C. V. Starr & Co., Inc. in 1960, the senior company of the American International Organization, to develop the worldwide accident and health business, and his election as President of the American Home Assurance Company quickly followed. After completely reorganizing, streamlining and introducing imaginative and creative concepts, he launched that company to one of the most dynamic successes in the industry.

In 1967 he became President and Chief Executive Officer of what is now known as the American International Group, Inc., a holding company for the vast insurance operation already referred to. In his capacity as head of the American International Group, Inc., Mr. Greenberg travels extensively throughout the world, and among his many activities, still finds time to give to his Alma Mater as Trustee of New York Law School.

Between the two wars in which he served, and while completing his education, his wife, Corinne Zucherman, became his bride, and they are blessed with four children: Jeff, Evan, Scotty and Cathy. They reside in New York City, week-ending at their country home in Brewster, N.Y., and fly to their boat, "Circe" in Florida whenever opportunity offers.

Upon MAURICE R. GREENBERG, New York Law School proudly confers the degree of Doctor of Laws, *honoris causa*, with all the rights and privileges appertaining thereto.

June 11, 1972.