

## TEXAS LEGAL LEGENDS: LLOYD P. LOCHRIDGE & PATTON G. LOCHRIDGE Induction April 18, 2017

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At 3:30 p.m. on April 18, 2017, the Litigation Section of the State Bar of Texas will induct Lloyd P. Lochridge and Patton G. "Pat" Lochridge of McGinnis Lochridge as Texas Legal Legends at the University of Texas at Austin School of Law.

## Lloyd Lochridge

A graduate of Princeton, Lloyd was accepted to both Harvard Medical School and Harvard Law School. He ultimately chose a career in law, graduating in 1941. Lloyd then served in the Navy during World War II, leaving active duty as a Lieutenant Commander.

After the war, Lloyd joined his uncle's law practice in Mission, Texas. In addition to his general practice, he became active in local bar association activities and was elected President of the Hidalgo County Bar in 1954. In 1959, Lloyd was invited by his childhood friend, Robert McGinnis, to join McGinnis Lochridge's predecessor firm.

Lloyd greatly strengthened the firm with his experience in South Texas, general practice, conservation matters and litigation. He served as President of the State Bar of Texas and held numerous offices in the American Bar Association. In one of his most notable cases, Lloyd represented the Guerra family in a dispute with notorious oilman Clinton Manges, winning a major victory in the trial court as well as the Texas Supreme Court. His representation helped result in a 60 Minutes exposé on Texas's process of judicial selection, called "Justice for Sale."

In February 2001, Lloyd received The Fellows of the American Bar Foundation Fifty-Year Award, which is "presented to a lawyer who, during more than fifty years of active practice of law, has adhered to the highest principles and traditions of the legal profession and of service to the public."

Lloyd helped form Central Texas' first American Inn of Court, and was the recipient of the 2000 American Inns of Court Professionalism Award for the Fifth Circuit. This award honors "a lawyer whose life and practice display sterling character and unquestioned integrity coupled with ongoing dedication to the highest standards of the legal profession." In 2010, the region's second Inn of Court was formed and named in honor of Lloyd.



For Lloyd, pro bono work and community service are part of a lawyer's duty, as well as a personal joy. He continues to serve the profession through his practice and example, his activities in the bar, and his dedication to professionalism and to justice for all members of our society.

## Patton G. "Pat" Lochridge

Pat is Lloyd's son. Born in the Rio Grande Valley, Pat has litigated frequently and successfully from South Texas to Dallas, Houston, San Antonio and Austin. His oil and gas practice has taken him to Oklahoma, Kansas, Wyoming and Montana. Pat attended the University of Texas School of Law, serving as an editor for the *Texas Law Review* and graduating with high honors in 1976. After graduation, he served as a law clerk to Judge Joseph T. Sneed on the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals. He eventually joined his father's law firm, and became managing partner of the law firm in 2000, a role he filled until 2010. He has participated as an instructor in the Texas Trial Academy, an intensive program developed by the Texas Access to Justice Commission, designed to give legal aid lawyers training from first-class trial lawyers.

Independently selected by Chambers and Partners USA in Texas for Litigation: Energy & Natural Resources, Pat has been described as "one of the finest oil and gas trial lawyers you'll ever get to know." He has also been listed in Best Lawyers© as Lawyer of the Year in Oil & Gas Law – Austin in 2011 and Bet-the-Company Litigation – Austin in 2009. He has been listed in Best Lawyers© in the fields of Bet-the-Company Litigation, Energy Law, Litigation – Intellectual Property, Natural Resources Law and Oil & Gas Law since 1993. He has been recognized as a "Top-Notch Lawyer" in energy law (2002) by Texas Lawyer. He was awarded the Austin Bar Association's Distinguished Lawyer Award in 2012 and the Lifetime Achievement in Energy Litigation Award by The Center for American and International Law in 2014. Pat has been selected many times to the Texas Super Lawyers list, and in 2016 was presented with the Outstanding Alumnus Award by the Texas Law Alumni Association and Dean Ward Farnsworth. In 2016, he was also selected by *Texas Lawyer* as a Professional Excellence Award Lifetime Achiever.

## Texas Legal Legends

Texas Legal Legends is a project of the Litigation Section of the State Bar of Texas. Its purpose is to memorialize the stories of many legendary lawyers who have practiced in Texas and to use those stories to enhance the public's understanding of the historical importance of law students and lawyers to emulate Legends like the Lochridges by serving others and making a difference – not just a living. The Lochridges and the other Legends are prime examples of lawyers who have spent their professional careers serving others and taking on challenges that are much bigger than themselves.

Past Legends inductees include:

- 1. Joe Jamail
- 2. Joe Reynolds
- 3. Harry Reasoner
- 4. Barbara Aldave
- 5. Carolyn Dineen King
- 6. Gibson Gayle, Jr.
- 7. LA Bedford
- 8. Jerry Goldstein
- 9. Adelfa B. Callejo
- 10. Broadus Spivey
- 11. Blackie Holmes
- 12. Craig Washington



- 13. Scott Baldwin
- 14. Royal Furgeson, Jr.
- 15. Forrest Bowers
- 16. Bob Black
- 17. George Chandler
- 18. Mary Lou Robinson
- 19. Ruby Sondock
- 20. H. Ron White

Videos highlighting the careers of these individuals are available on DVD and on the Litigation Section's website: http://tinyurl.com/TexasLegalLegends.