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John H. Maloney

1880 - 1950

In October of this year Dr. John P. Maloney, Vice Dean of the Law School, died.

Dr. Maloney was graduated from Amherst College in 1903 as a Bachelor of Science. He was principal of the Old Mystic High School, Connecticut, from 1903 to 1905 and later taught at the Staunton Military Academy in Virginia and the Newman School in New Jersey. Thereafter he entered New York University School of Law where he received his LL.B. in 1912. He was admitted to practice the same year.

During the next thirteen years Dr. Maloney practiced law in New York and was successively with Banton Moore; Garvin, McMillan & Young; Grange & Maloney; Maloney, Faucett & Marx; Stauton & Maloney; and Frost, Ross, Deereemer and Maloney. In 1921 and 1922 he was also an instructor in law at Pace Institute.

A member of the original St. John's faculty, Dr. Maloney served continuously as a professor of law from the school's inception in 1925. He became Vice Dean in 1927 and in 1931 was honored with the degree of Doctor of Laws from St. John's.

At St. John's Dr. Maloney specialized in Equity and Real Property. He was a frequent contributor to legal periodicals and authored a number of books including "Cases and Materials on Real Property," and "Cases and Materials on Mortgages." He collaborated with Professor Chafee and the late Professor Simpson of Harvard Law School in producing "Cases and Materials on Equity" and with Professor McNiece of St. John's in "Cases and Materials on Security Transactions." He was an arbitrator for the American Arbitration Association and associated with the United States Civil Service, Legal Personnel Division.

Though always an excellent teacher, Dr. Maloney is best remembered for his warm, vibrant personality and for his role as a friend and adviser to the student body. His office was always open to the student, and no problem was too insignificant or too large to discuss with him. His was the ever-ready helping hand which guided many a discouraged or bewildered student through the pitfalls of law school life. Words are an inadequate way to describe Dr. Maloney's influence in St. John's, and the lives of its alumni, all of whom are better lawyers and better men and women for their association with him, are the lasting tribute to his genius.



John P. Maloney

