

MEETING OF THE BAR OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY

At a meeting of the Anne Arundel county Bar, Assembled in the Court House this 1st day of November 1851. on motion Colonel James Boyle, was called to the chair, and Col. Joseph H. Nicholson clerk of the court appointed Secretary.

The following Preamble and Resolutions were offered by *Oliver Miller, Esq.* and on motion of the Hon. *Alexander Randall* were unanimously adopted:

Whereas, The members of the Bar of Anne Arundel County, in taking their professional leave of the Judges of this court, who have long presided over it with zeal, honor to themselves and usefulness to the public, and who are now sitting for the last time under the provisions of the former Constitution of the State, are unwilling to let the occasion pass, without placing upon record some memorial of their sense of the value of the public service and private worth of the members of this Bench; as well as their grateful acknowledgements for the kindness and courtesy which this court has extended to them in the performance of their professional duties.

They therefore respectfully request that the following resolutions unanimously adopted by the members of the Bar in general meeting assembled, may be entered upon the minutes of the proceedings of this court.

1st. *Resolved*, That the members of the Bar of Anne Arundel county, express their own, and as they are also assured, the common sentiment of their professional brethren, in bearing prompt and willing testimony to the uniform ability, faithfulness, impartiality and firmness with which the members of this court have discharged their high and responsible official duties.

2nd. *Resolved*, That the members of this Bar with equal cheerfulness desire, by these proceedings, to pay a tribute of respect to the private worth and spotless integrity of the individual members of this court, and cordially unite in wishing to each, continued prosperity and happiness.

3d. *Resolved*, That towards his Hon. the Chief Justice of the State, and a member of this Court, who now holds a high and enviable distinction among the jurists of his country, and who is now about to retire from that exalted judicial position which he has so long filled with credit to himself and honor to the State,—we entertain, not only feelings of the highest respect, but that reverence which is due to the character of a great, a good and a wise Judge.

4th. *Resolved*, That these proceedings be printed in the newspapers published in this judicial district.

On motion of *Alexander Randall, Esq.* it was ordered that a copy of the foregoing preamble and resolutions be forwarded to the several Judges of this court.

JAMES BOYLE, Chairman,
JOSEPH H. NICHOLSON. Secretary.