

Robert N. Naifeh, Jr.

In Memoriam

1957 – 2020

Bob Naifeh is fondly remembered as our firm's President and Managing Partner until his untimely death from Covid in early 2020. Bob greeted and warmly welcomed everyone he met with a genuine charm making friends immediately. A stellar attorney and dedicated student of the law for nearly 40 years, Bob strove to provide the correct answers to the most complicated questions and consistently provided the best advice and results for his clients. Bob's redrafting of opinions and briefs was legendary and was believed to keep the red ink industry prosperous for years.

Bob earned a Bachelor of Arts in Journalism from the University of Oklahoma in 1979. He earned a Juris Doctor from Oklahoma City University School of Law in 1983. Bob relied upon his deep experience when advising and representing insurers and policyholders alike. He served as lead counsel in countless cases involving coverage disputes under general liability, commercial automobile, professional liability, and directors and officers policies. His expertise also included insurance insolvency and guaranty association law. Bob served as general counsel and coverage counsel for the Oklahoma Property and Casualty Insurance Guaranty Association, a position he held more than 30 years.

Bob was inducted as a Fellow of the American College of Coverage Counsel, the preeminent association of United States and Canadian lawyers who represent the interest of insurers and policyholders. Bob lectured on insurance-related topics for the National Business Institute, Mealey's on Insurance, the National Conference of Insurance Guaranty Funds, and the Oklahoma Association of Defense Counsel.

Bob's passing has left a void we cannot adequately fill. Unquestionably, he expected our firm to press forward providing the highest level of legal services.