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John A. Dixon Jr.
Thank you, Mr. Lemann

It is not only the works that we have heard that do honor to the memory of Colonel Tucker, but it is the identity and the experience of those persons who have spoken the words. T. Haller Jackson, Jr., the presiding officer of the Louisiana State Law Institute, which is, itself, a monument to Colonel Tucker; Professor Bill Hawkland, Chancellor of what surely is one of the country’s great law schools; Saul Litvinoff and A. N. Yiannopoulos—foreign colorful names known to every lawyer in the state, universally respected for their genius, their scholarship, their devotion to the law, and for their contributions to the law of this state; Albert Tate, Jr., indefatigable, loved by all, with almost fifty legal articles published; Cecil Morgan, who started practice the year I was born; he became a well known lawyer and judge, and then returned to private practice to become the head of the legal office of one of the largest corporations in America; he returned to Louisiana to make a great contribution to legal education as dean of Tulane University Law School; the distinguished and eloquent Thomas B. Lemann. A kind word from any one of these men would be a welcome honor for any lawyer.

I speak on behalf of my colleagues, Justice Lemmon (who is unable to be present), Justice Watson, Justice Blanche, Justice Dennis, Justice Marcus and Justice Calogero to thank these leaders of our profession who help remind us of the best of men of the law. People in Louisiana can be rightfully proud of our legal institutions, the foundation of our society.

We extend our gratitude to those who have spoken, and to you who have come to participate in this memorial service for Colonel John H. Tucker, Jr.

* Chief Justice, Louisiana Supreme Court.