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# DEDICATION

PROFESSOR SIDNEY B. JACOBY

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For well over two decades, Professor Sidney B. Jacoby has been deeply and fruitfully concerned with the special ingredients of the Federal Government's multi-form litigation. At Georgetown University Law Center, Case Western Reserve Law School, and Cleveland-Marshall College of Law, he has monitored that field—teaching, publishing a casebook and a well-known text (both with Trial Judge David Schwartz), and writing several penetrating articles. For that entire time I have been his beneficiary, first as the Deputy Solicitor General in the United States Department of Justice, and for the past nineteen years as a member of the Federal Court of Claims. For me, as practitioner and as judge, it would be hard to select a better mentor and guide in the general country of federal litigation, than Sidney Jacoby. He drew order out of miscellany, marked out pitfalls and marshes, exposed uncertainties in statutes and judicial law, and pointed the way to solutions of troubling problems. His casebook and his text sit prominently on my desk to give me frequent help; his articles have been sources of enlightenment.

The entire Court of Claims is Sidney Jacoby's debtor, as it has recognized. On February 27, 1981, the court formally resolved to thank and commend him for his contribution to our sector of the judicial system. This resolution was personally signed by the Chief Judge, the six Associate Judges (including myself), and the resident Senior Judge of the United States Court of Claims.<sup>1</sup> It represents the court's profound gratitude to and respect for Professor Jacoby.

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\*Judge, United States Court of Claims.

<sup>1</sup> The text of the resolution is as follows:

WHEREAS, the Chief Judge, Associate Judges, and Senior Judge of the United States Court of Claims:

Are informed that Professor Sidney B. Jacoby is soon to retire from the teaching of law after a long and distinguished career in the law as teacher, author and advocate on two continents;

Are grateful for Professor Jacoby's long interest in, and contribution to the just administration of the law of claims against the United States and the business of this court;

Are appreciative of the scholarship shown in his two books and many articles on the business of the court;

I presume to speak as well for the whole segment of the American bar—private and public—involved in the Federal Government's litigation. This is a large and important body of law which, until relatively recently, was neglected as a unit of scholarly study. Professor Jacoby and a few colleagues have pushed it into focus, harmonized it, and outlined its separate existence. He is truly one of the founders and creators of this new legal specialty in our nation.

Having known for over forty years Sidney Jacoby's intense interest in the law, I am certain that retirement will not end his continuing concern with the many facets of the improvement of justice. That is an integral part of his life. I salute him for that special quality and for the distinguished way he has exemplified it in the past. His has been a life richly centered, and I wish him great happiness for the future.

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Are aware of his contribution in the enactment of statutes bearing on the jurisdiction of the court, all of great benefit to the court and its bar, and

Are confident that Professor Jacoby will continue his studies and writing in the fields of law of value to the court and its bar,

NOW, THEREFORE, the judges of the court do hereby send their felicitations to Professor Jacoby on his retirement, express their gratitude for his past contributions, and convey their best wishes for his happiness and contentment during his retirement.