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Rembering John Andrew Martin, 1938-2019

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Carrington Coleman joins the Martin family in mourning the passing of John Andrew Martin, a member of the firm since its beginning in 1970. John officially retired in 2014 but continued to be a trusted advisor, mentor, and dear friend to the firm until a move earlier this year to be closer to family.

"I was fortunate to have John as my supervising partner when I joined the firm. John embraced the joy of practicing law," said Bruce Collins, Managing Partner of Carrington Coleman. "He contributed his considerable skills and talents not only to the firm but to the Dallas community at large."

Mr. Martin earned his law degree at Harvard, graduating magna cum laude in 1962. He earned his undergraduate degree at Birmingham-Southern in Alabama. Prior to joining Carrington Coleman, John was an attorney with the Civil Rights Division of the United States Department of Justice. In that role, he was at the forefront of the civil rights struggles in the South in the early '60s.

Although John was from Alabama, he was committed to Dallas. He was on the Board of Trustees for the Dallas Independent School District and served as president from 1981-1982. He was also a long-time Board Member and a Board Chair for the YMCA of Metropolitan Dallas. For his dedication to Dallas, he received the Justinian Award in 2003. The award was the most esteemed honor presented to an attorney by the Dallas Lawyers' Auxiliary, from 1983-2013, in recognition of long-standing dedication to volunteer service benefiting the community of Dallas.

Services for Mr. Martin will be held on November 11, 2019, at 10:00 a.m. at the Park Cities Baptist Church in Dallas.

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