## INDEPENDENCE BAR ASSOCIATION

## MINUTES

## SEPTEMBER BUSINESS MEETING

The September business meeting was held at the Crackerneck Country Club on Thursday, September 22, 1966. The dinner was at 7:30 and was attended by 23 members.

President Byron Stewart, Jr. called the meeting to order at 8:00. The Presidents made announcements regarding the growth of the Law Firm of PAXTON AND JAMES, with particular reference to the arrival of a new James on the scene and the addition of James May to that firm. Mr. May's and Mr. DeLapp's applications for membership were presented, accepted and approved by the Bar.

The President announced that, with the approval of the Bar, the Bar Meeting for this coming year would be each third Thursday of the month.

The business meeting and program were in regard to the activities concerning our attempts to obtain a separate judicial circuit and the program was commenced by President Bryon Stewart, Jr.'s reading a letter from Judge Koenigsdorf which, inteffect, was a wet towel in the face.

Glenn Glasgow, reporting for Cedric Siegfried, the Chairman of the Separate Judicial Committee, started the actual presentation of the committie's activities by re-counting the activities which have taken place in regard to political contacts made and discussions with the County Court and an appraisal of the present political circumstances.

Jimmie D. James gave a report of the proposed activities on behalf of the Public Relations Sub-Committee of the full committie, following which there was an extensive discussion from the floor regarding the activities of the committee.

Byron Constance made a motion, "that the Adhock Committee be directed to cause to be prepared, and to pay for, a proposed bill to be presented to the Legislature." The motion was seconded and carried with one negative vote.

M. Fairlee Tegarden, Treasurer, gave a summary Treasurer's Report and then advised the Bar that some members were paying their current Bar dues but still refused to pay the special assessment. Miss Tedarden put a question to the floor as to whether or not these parties so paying their current fiscal dues but not paying their assessments would be members in good or bad standing. Sam Cottingham made a motion, "that the By-Laws should be checked to see if the May vote to remove members from the role in good standing who did not pay the special assessment was proper under the By-Laws." The motion

was seconded and carried and the President directed Mr. Cottingham to so check the By-Laws and inform the Bar at the October meeting.

No new business coming on before the Bar, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

JIMMIE D. JAMES, Secretary