

# COURT OF APPEALS OF GEORGIA

## A Memorial Resolution

### Recognizing the Legacy of the Honorable Braswell Drue Deen, Jr.

**WHEREAS**, the State of Georgia lost a beloved servant when the Honorable Braswell Drue Deen, Jr., passed away on Thursday, December 24, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, during World War II, Judge Deen, Jr., joined the United States Marine Corps and served in the initial invasions of Peleliu and Okinawa Islands, where he was wounded by a Japanese “knee mortar,” and was later awarded a Purple Heart; and

**WHEREAS**, Judge Deen, Jr., practiced law in Alma, Georgia, and served as the Bacon County attorney, and served four terms in the Georgia General Assembly where he authored the successful Georgia Women Jurors Bill, which in 1953 extended to women the right to serve on juries; and

**WHEREAS**, Judge Deen, Jr., was appointed in 1965 by Governor Carl E. Sanders to serve as a judge of the Court of Appeals of Georgia, where he served as Chief Judge from 1979 to 1980, and during which he authored over 14,000 judicial opinions before retiring in 1990; and

**WHEREAS**, Judge Deen, Jr., has written numerous books, including *Deen’s List: ABC’s of ADR*, *A Handbook on Alternative Dispute Resolution* (1995), *Trial By Combat* (2000), *Roots and Origins* (2001), *Retired Judge Deen’s Views on National and Political Issues* (2016), along with a World War II memoir entitled *And Some Gave All*, which was completed twelve days before his death,

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Court of Appeals of Georgia hereby recognizes and honors the life and legacy of the Honorable Braswell Drue Deen, Jr.