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Judge Joe Ingraham, Thomas M. Phillips and Chief Judge John R. Brown

HONORABLE JOE INGRAHAM ELEVATED TO FIFTH CIRCUIT

Honorable Joe McDonald Ingraham was sworn in as United States Circuit Judge for the Fifth Circuit on December 31, 1969. The oath of office was administered by Chief Judge John R. Brown before a capacity audience of Judge Ingraham's many friends and associates. Sitting as a Federal District Court with Judge Brown were fellow District Judges Hannay, Noel, Singleton, and Seals, each of whom voiced his personal praise of and congratulations for Judge Ingraham. Chief District Judge Ben Connally was holding court out of town and was unable to attend the ceremony.

W. Ervin James spoke on behalf of our Houston Bar Association, offering congratulations and best wishes to the new Circuit Judge. Thomas M. Phillips, past President of the Texas Bar Association, congratulated both Judge Ingraham and the Fifth Circuit Court on the mutual benefit derived from the appointment.

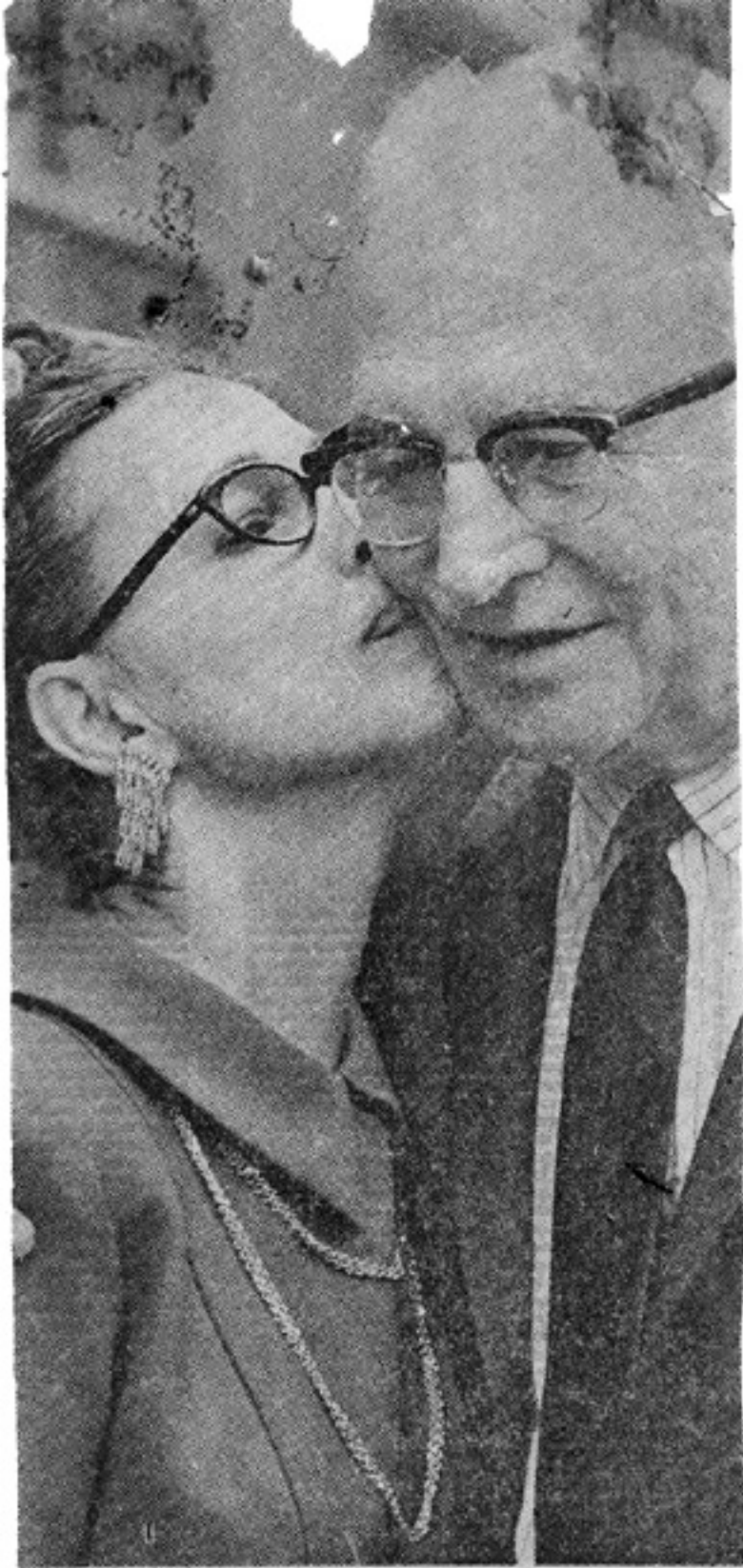
Judge Ingraham was born in Blackburn, Oklahoma, in 1903. Following his education in the Oklahoma public schools and his receipt of a law degree in 1927 from the National University (now George Washington University) law school in Washington, D.C., Judge Ingraham practiced briefly in Stroud, Oklahoma. He then moved to Fort Worth where he practised law until 1935, and he then moved to Houston, where he was engaged in practice until his appointment as United States District Judge for the Southern District of Texas in 1954. During World War II, Judge Ingraham served as an officer in the

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Army Air Corps in Louisiana, Florida, England, France and Germany, achieving the grade of Lieutenant Colonel.

The Judge is a member of the Houston Bar Association, State Bar of Texas, American Bar Association, Sons of the American Revolution, and Army and Navy Association of Houston. He was president of the Texas Junior Bar Association, 1935-36, president of Texas Society, S.A.R., 1937-38, and president of Army and Navy Association, 1950. In addition, Judge Ingraham served as Republican County Chairman of Harris County from 1946-53, and was a delegate to the Republican National Conventions of 1940, 1948, and 1952.



U.S. District Judge Joe Ingraham was sworn in as a judge of the U.S. Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals Wednesday and promptly received a kiss from his wife. The judge was nominated for his new post by President Nixon and was recently confirmed by the Senate.—Post photo by Fred Bunch