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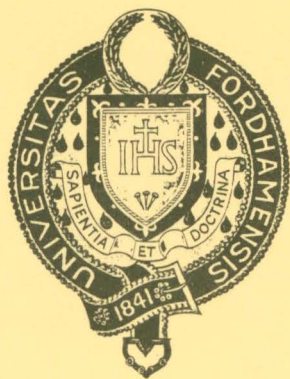
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The partners and friends of John F. Sonnett have endowed the John F. Sonnett Memorial Lecture in his memory.

John Sonnett came to the firm of Cotton & Franklin (now Cahill Gordon & Reindel) as Managing Clerk in 1933 after college at Fordham University. He held that job for the next three years while attending Fordham Law School. After law school he spent five years with that firm as an associate, then joined the United States Attorney's Office in 1941, where he became Chief Assistant before leaving for wartime Washington.

During World War II, he was Special Counsel for the Navy assigned to the Under Secretary of the Navy. Later, as Special Assistant to the Secretary of the Navy with the rank of Lieutenant Commander, he conducted the final Navy investigation of the attack on Pearl Harbor.

In 1945 John joined the Department of Justice as Assistant Attorney General, first as head of the Claims Division and then as Chief of the Antitrust Division.

He returned to Cahill Gordon & Reindel as a partner in May 1948, and, upon John T. Cahill's death, John Sonnett became Senior Partner in 1966. His fame as a trial and appellate lawyer was international at his untimely death in July 1969.

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\*William T. Coleman, Jr., a senior partner at O'Melveny & Myers, began his career at the Bar as a law clerk, first with Judge Goodrich in the Third Circuit and then with Justice Frankfurter. He was a partner in a distinguished Philadelphia law firm before entering government service as Secretary of Transportation. Mr. Coleman is a Director of many corporations, including I.B.M., Pan American, AMAX, and Chase Manhattan Bank, Chairman of the Board of the NAACP, Legal Defense and Educational Fund, a Trustee of the Rand Corporation and the Brookings Institution, and has served as a member of many Presidential Commissions. Last year he was appointed *amicus curiae* by the U. S. Supreme Court in *Bob Jones University v. U. S.*

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