

A LAWYER PRAYS GOD'S WILL FOR HIS CLIENTS

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our granddaughter

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PREFACE

As a lawyer it is apparent to me that there are no two groups of individuals who require prayer, indeed intense prayer, more than us lawyers and our clients. This book has been written with a purpose or even several purposes. It is desired that clients or potential clients might gain some understanding of their own circumstances from reading the prayers of others. It is hoped that those who read this book will find comfort in the knowledge of others in similar circumstances. It is prayed that after reading selected prayers that a husband might better understand a wife; that a creditor might better understand a debtor; that a criminal might better understand a victim; that a litigant might better understand a juror; and, that each of us might better understand a system of justice through prayer.

Some would be astonished that we lawyers pray and that we often do petition God daily. It would surprise many when this author points out that most of his colleagues are prayerful people who suffer and rejoice with their clients' travails and triumphs. This person knows that his brethren at the bar desire justice through truth within God's divine assistance as He wills it and not from prejudice or unfair advantage.

For each section there are presented five prayers: a prayer by one party, followed by a prayer by the other, followed by a prayer by the first party, and then a prayer by the second party, and followed, in each instance, by a lawyer's prayer. Possibly each can learn more about his or her own predicament and each can learn something of the perspective of the other side. My hope is that these sequences of prayers might bring healing among God's people in their interpersonal relationships and within their respective spirits.

This I pray.

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SECTION I

PRAYERS ABOUT DOMESTIC RELATIONS