

VIRGIL BOULDIN

Associate Justice - 1923-1944

BORN: October 20, 1866; Princeton, Alabama

DIED: July 30, 1949; Scottsboro, Alabama

Virgil Bouldin was educated in the public schools of Jackson County. He earned a bachelor's degree from Winchester Normal College, in Winchester, Tennessee, and graduated from Cumberland School of Law in Lebanon, Tennessee, in 1889. Admitted to the bar that same year, Bouldin returned to Scottsboro to practice law.

Bouldin represented Jackson County in the state legislature in 1896 and served in the Spanish-American War in the 2nd Alabama Volunteer Infantry Regiment. He then returned to Jackson County to devote himself to his law practice and his banking and lumber interests.

In 1923 Governor William W. Brandon appointed Bouldin associate justice to succeed Thomas C. McClellan. Bouldin remained on the bench for twenty-one years, retiring in 1944 and assuming supernumerary status.

From 1925 until 1944 Bouldin was a member of The Thirteen, a literary and philosophical group.

Virgil Bouldin married Irene Jacoway, of Dardanelle, Arkansas, in 1895. They had three children.