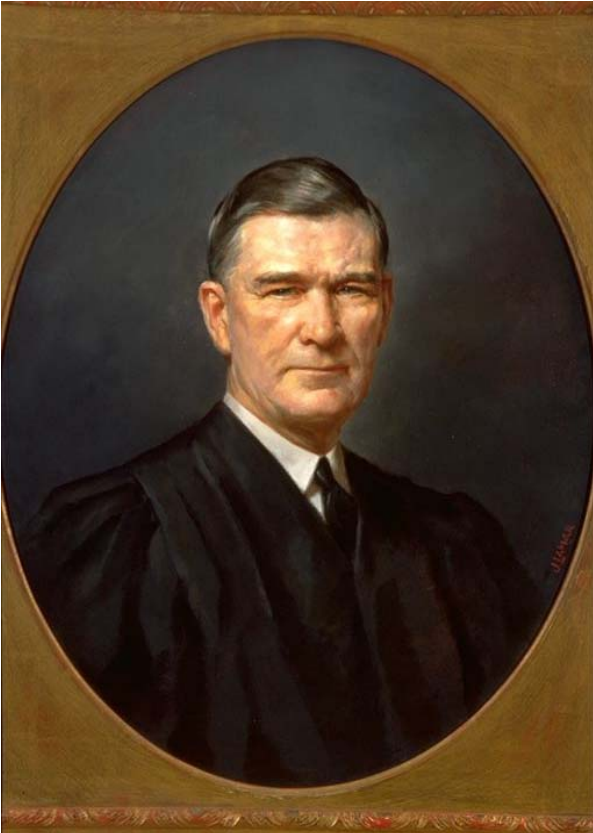


## **LUCIEN DUNBIBBEN GARDNER**

Twenty-Second Chief Justice: 1940-1951

BORN: November 28, 1876; Troy, Alabama

DIED: November 2, 1952; Montgomery, Alabama



**Portrait by JULIAN LAMAR, American  
1893-1967  
Oil on Canvas**

A native of Pike County, Lucien Dunbibben Gardner graduated in 1894 from the State Normal School at Troy. He earned his Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Alabama and graduated from the Law Department in 1897. That same year he was admitted to the Bar and began practicing law in his home town.

Gardner soon became involved in public service. He served as register in chancery from 1898 to 1903. In 1906 he was elected to the Alabama Senate. Appointed chancellor of the southeastern chancery division in 1907, he was elected to that post in 1910 and served until 1914.

In 1914 Governor Emmett O'Neal appointed Gardner associate justice of the Supreme Court to fill the vacancy created when John C. Anderson became chief justice. Thus began Gardner's career on the Supreme Court, one that would span a total of thirty-seven years. In 1940 Governor Frank Dixon appointed him chief justice, again as successor to Anderson who died that year. Gardner held that office until 1951, when he resigned because of ill health.

Lucien Gardner married Henrietta Wiley in 1900. They had two children.

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