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Tribute to Justice Jack L. Landau

Oregon Supreme Court Justice Jack L. Landau, a distinguished jurist and scholar, is described by his colleagues as a “brilliant judge,” a “*mensch*,” and as someone who lives a “rich and full ‘life in the law.’”

Justice Landau spent more than twenty years on the Oregon bench. He was appointed to the Oregon Court of Appeals in 1993, where he was the most prolific writer of opinions the court had ever seen. He was elected to the Oregon Supreme Court in 2011, where he served until his recent retirement. Throughout his time on the bench, and after, he has also been a law professor at the University of Oregon School of Law and Willamette University College of Law.

Justice Landau is a widely published scholar on issues of statutory interpretation, legal writing, constitutional law, and, among other subjects, jurisprudence. He is especially well known for his work on statutory interpretation.

Justice Landau earned his undergraduate and law degrees from Lewis & Clark, and he earned his LL.M. from the University of Virginia School of Law. As an attorney for the Oregon Department of Justice, he secured Oregon’s dry sand beaches as a publicly accessible resource for its citizens.¹ He was a partner at Lindsay Hart Neil & Weigler and a law clerk to Judge Robert Belloni at the U.S. District Court of Oregon.

This *Oregon Law Review* issue is dedicated to him and his legacy.

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¹ See *Stevens v. City of Cannon Beach*, 317 Or. 131, 854 P.2d 449 (1993).