

## Explanation to the Reader

I first discovered this work in a legal size bound carbon copy edition in the Minnesota State Law Library. I made use of it while researching a history of the Minnesota Supreme Court for my book, *A Search for Place* (1995). The state law library's copy of Gunderson's book was faded and the carbon paper fragile. It was in need of immediate restoration.

I elicited the help of Lori Lahn of the Court of Appeals who patiently retyped and renumbered the new standard size pages. Cara Debes and Gary O'Connor edited it to assure that the text is preserved as faithfully to the original as possible. Only serious and obvious mistakes are identified. Rhonda Mann prepared a very comprehensive index.

Its beauty is in its innocence and simplicity. The present day reader must also be impressed by Mr. Gunderson's awe and reverence for the court which stands in such stark contrast to the cynicism of contemporary days. For that reason alone it deserves to be preserved. It is history. It is also commentary.

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