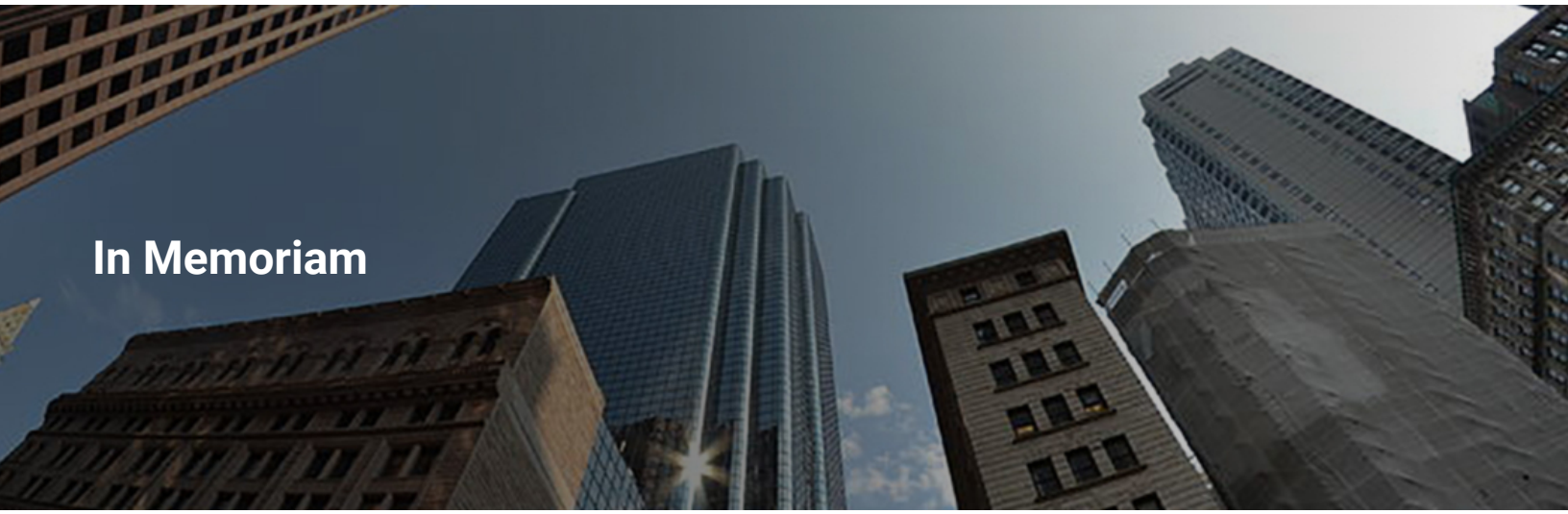

# In Memoriam



## WALTER L. LANDERGAN, JR. (1928 – 2018)

In memory of our beloved friend and mentor: Walter Landergan studied, practiced, and loved the law at Rich May, P.C. from 1953 to October 5, 2018. Walter was at the heart of Rich May for 65 years, shaping the firm and serving as a Managing Director for nearly his whole career.

He was a mentor to many young lawyers, was esteemed by his professional peers, and served as trusted counsel to his clients for decades. Walter will be missed by everyone at our firm and by our clients. We are so pleased to have dedicated our main conference room in his name in 2016. He can never be replaced. Rest in peace, our dear friend, Walter L. Landergan, Jr.

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## HAROLD B. DONDIS (1922 – 2015)

Harold joined Rich May in 1945 after graduating first in his class at Harvard University Law School.* Harold practiced law at the firm for 71 years as a corporate and energy lawyer, and counseled Rich May clients with sage advice until his death in 2015.

Among Harold's noteworthy legal activities were his argument at the United States Supreme Court in 1975 to invalidate the federal Oil Import Fee, his effort in helping to bring liquefied natural gas and synthetic natural gas service to New England during the 1970-80 decades of natural gas shortage and curtailment and his pioneering effort with others of the firm to change the practice and procedure for achieving immediate possession of lands and easements taken by federally regulated interstate pipelines under federal law.

Harold also co-authored three Articles of interest with another member of the firm: The Sage Approach to Immediate Entry Under the Natural Gas Act and The Federal Power Act, 27 ENERGY L. J. 499- 544 (2006), Assuring Telecommunications Access in the Commonwealth, 89 MASS. L. REV. 63-84 (2004) and The Clean Water Act and Federally Licensed Utilities, PUB. UTIL. FORT., November 1, 1994, 42-46.

Harold Dondis was a Chess Master who once defeated Bobby Fischer.** He also wrote the weekly Boston Globe Chess Column for many years.

*Given the war-time emergency of 1941-45 Harvard Law School graduated only two L.L.B. candidates in June of 1945.
**Mr. Fischer was simultaneously playing against more than 20 opponents in a 1964 chess exhibit held in Fitchburg, MA.

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