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Forrest Wills WHITAKER, son of Ferdinand H. WILLS and Louise D'BERRY, was born 6 October 1865 in Enfield, North Carolina. He was educated in private schools in North Carolina and graduated from Oak Ridge Institute in 1886. He read for the law in Greensboro and later was admitted to the bar in Virginia. He qualified to practice law in Lynchburg in 1892. [Armistead R. Long, "Forrest Wills Whitaker," *Proceedings of the Fortieth Annual Meeting, The Virginia State Bar Association, 1929* (Richmond?: The Association, 1929?), pp. 293-295.]

On 4 October 1900, in Newport News, Forrest W. WHITAKER married Carrie Davidson KINNEAR, daughter of George Alexander KINNEAR and Margaret Ann FULLERTON. [Long, "Forrest Wills Whitaker," loc.cit.; Emma Siggins White, *The Kinnears and Their Kin* (Kansas City, MO: Tiernan-Dart, 1916), pp. 262-263, selected pages in FF2283, Jones Memorial Library, Lynchburg, VA; *Lynchburg News*, 7 October 1900, p. 12 col. 3.]

On 19 September 1908, WHITAKER was appointed Commissioner of Accounts for Lynchburg, and served in that capacity until his death. In 1923, he was elected as judge of the Municipal, Juvenile, and Domestic Relations Court, which position he also held until his death. [Long, "Forrest Wills Whitaker," loc.cit.]

Forrest W. WHITAKER was also active in the local Democratic Executive Committee, the Lions Club, and the Hill City Masonic Lodge. He was a trustee for the Lynchburg Female Orphan Asylum and also served as secretary-treasurer of the Asylum Board. [Long, "Forrest Wills Whitaker," loc.cit.]

Judge Forrest Wills WHITAKER died 14 February 1920 of pneumonia, and was buried in the Presbyterian Cemetery, Lynchburg. [Long, "Forrest Wills Whitaker," loc.cit.; Burial record, Diuguid Funeral Home, Lynchburg, VA, Book 21 p. 344; Editorial, Tribute, Lynchburg News 15 February 1929, p. 6 col. 1, p. 8 col. 3; Funeral, *Lynchburg News* 16 February 1929, p. 9 col. 1.; "Vital Statistics," *Lynchburg News* 17 February 1929, p. 9 col. 4.]