

Frederick M. Coleman

Frederick Matthew Coleman was born in Georgia in 1918 and came to Cleveland as a small child. He attended Cleveland public schools, graduating from East High in 1936 as a member of the National Honor Society.

After serving in the Army in Europe during World War II, he was a Lieutenant in the Officers' Reserved Corps. through 1948 and then a member of the Ohio National Guard and Army Reserve through 1967.

Working his way through college as a mail carrier, Coleman graduated from Western Reserve University in 1949 with a degree in business administration. His J. D. degree was earned at Cleveland Marshall Law School.

Established in private practice since 1953, he made an unsuccessful run for Congress from the 21st District in 1966. In 1967, while working in the Public Defender's Office, he was appointed by Governor James F. Rhodes to Cleveland Municipal Court.

In November of 1970, he was defeated in a run for Common Pleas Court. After that loss, he was nominated by President Richard M. Nixon to fill the position of U. S. Attorney. He vacated his judgeship in December of 1970.

In May of 1976, he was once again appointed by Governor James F. Rhodes to fill an unexpired term, this time on Common Pleas Court. He did not seek re-election in 1986.

Coleman died in 1989 at the age of 71.

Frederick M. Coleman served Cleveland Municipal Court from December 29, 1967 to December 30, 1970.

