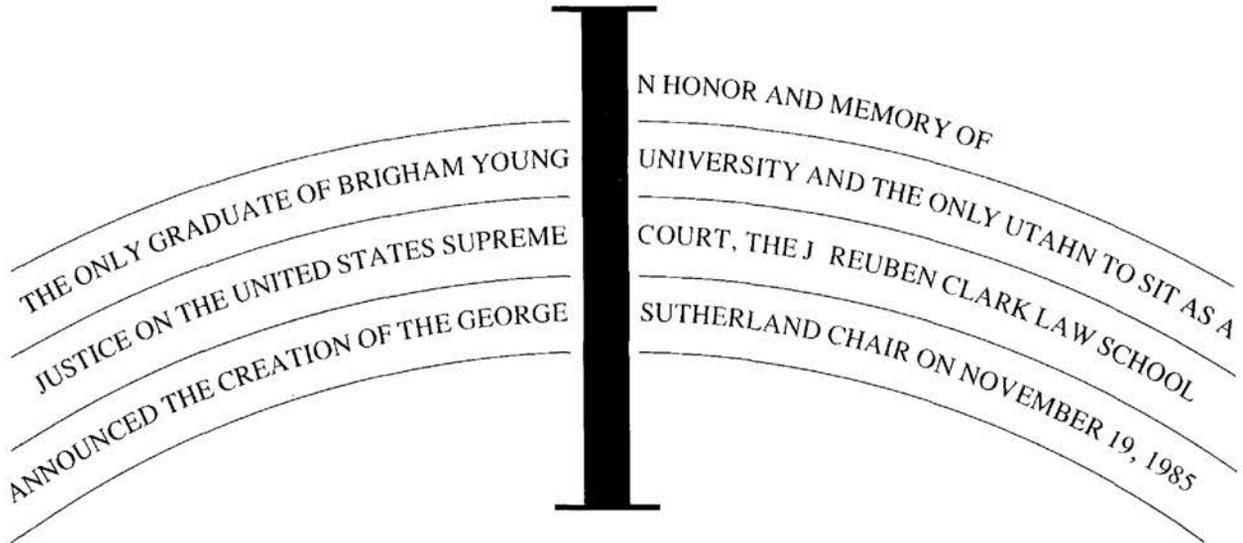




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PROFESSOR REX E LEE, founding dean of the law school and former solicitor general of the United States, was named the first occupant of the chair. • Justice Sutherland also served in the House of Representatives and two terms in the United States Senate representing the State of Utah. • Although not a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Justice Sutherland spent much of his early life in Utah Valley. In a message to the 1941 graduating class from Brigham Young University, Justice Sutherland recalled his experiences as a student of Karl G. Maeser at Brigham Young Academy: • “It would gratify my sense of pride in the old school if I could tell you that the building was a masterpiece of architecture. But candor compels a contrary statement. Besides, although it was destroyed by fire long ago, pictures of it are still extant and prevarication would be useless. Fortunately, the building was not the school, but only the house in which the school lived; and the discovery of the school itself was as though I had opened a rough shell and found a pearl. The soul of this school was Karl G. Maeser; and when I came, as I soon did, to realize the tremendous import of that fact, the ugly structure

ceased to trouble my eyes, my doubts vanished, and were replaced by the comfort of certainty and a feeling of deep content.” • With the addition of the Sutherland Chair, the Law School now has three endowed chairs. The first chair, occupied by Professor Carl Hawkins, honors the memory of Guy Anderson. Professor Edward Kimball occupies the chair named in memory of President Ernest L. Wilkinson. Endowed chairs are designed to attract and retain legal scholars of extraordinary accomplishment and commitment who will enhance the prestige, exposure, and impact of the Law School faculty and program. The chairs also provide inspired, innovative teaching opportunities, encourage and facilitate research in the law, and help to prepare men and women for constructive, service-oriented legal careers. By providing, in perpetuity, salary, research, travel, and office-support funds for its occupant, an endowed chair unencumbers Law School funds to be used for other purposes. • The Board of Trustees and the president of the university hosted a dinner on November 19, 1985, to announce the chair and its first occupant. Francis R. “Czar” Kirkham, an advisory partner in the San Francisco firm Pillsbury, Madison & Sutro and former law clerk to Justice Sutherland, delivered the keynote address.