

Judge Fenyvessy Achieves Milestone

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Judge Anne E'del Deacon Fenyvessy, FAWL Past President

(1959-60), celebrated her 100th birthday on October 3, 2003, at Saint Mary's Assisted Living Facility in West Palm Beach. Judge Fenyvessy was honored in 2000 as part of the first 150 Women Lawyers' Celebration. She was admitted to practice law in Florida in 1942 after graduating from Temple University. She was a law clerk for Florida Supreme Court Justice **E. Harris Drew**, but fell in love with flying. She enlisted in the



United States Navy in 1942 and rose to the rank of second highest commissioned officer in the 7th Naval District in Miami. At the conclusion of the war, she used the GI Bill to attend Morton Art

Institute in West Palm Beach. She pursued a career in art for ten years, but returned to Lantana, Florida in 1952 to begin a solo legal practice, specializing in family law and probate. In 1956 she became Florida's fourth woman judge when she was appointed as the first municipal judge in Palm Beach County. Judge Fenyvessy retired from the bench in 1966, but she continued to practice law until 1988. FAWL wishes Judge Fenyvessy all the best! ■

