

CITATION

PHILIP MALLORY CONLEY
Doctor of Laws

PHILIP MALLORY CONLEY, it is most fitting and proper that this College should select you, a native West Virginian who has served this State in a most distinguished fashion with a devotion that springs from your deep love for West Virginia and her people, to be the very first recipient from Concord of the highest honor a college or university traditionally can bestow. Your service has been great and varied: teacher, writer, editor, soldier in the service of our Country, civic leader, diplomat, and philanthropist, to name but a few in a very long list of noble and successful endeavors. Your frequent assistance and encouragement to young scholars, given quietly and without fanfare, is known to your close associates, and can be testified to personally by the one privileged to speak these words today. The Education Foundation of West Virginia, established by your personal efforts and benefactions, and nurtured by your devoted and selfless service, has helped, and continues to help, West Virginia scholars, and serves to promote the best interests of this Great State. This year marks the Tenth Anniversary of the Foundation, and all West Virginians can take pride in the past achievements and future objectives of the organization you devotedly serve as president. Your example, Sir, is one that others in this State with talent and means might well follow. Distinguished native son of West Virginia, Concord College is indeed honored and proud to be able to honor you by conferring upon you her first degree of Doctor of Laws.

May the Fourteenth
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Joseph Franklin Marsh, Jr.