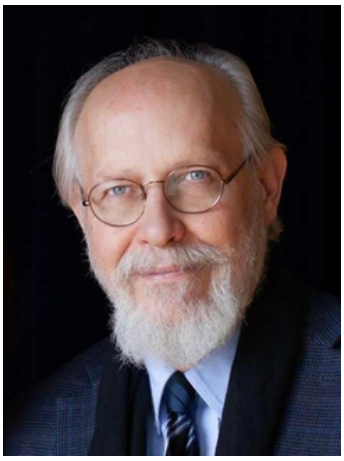

Steven Jack McCardell

December 20, 1953 ~ August 8, 2024

I’m so sad to hear of my Uncle Steven’s passing. He was a kind man and always welcoming to me when I’d see him. My prayers are with the family at this time.

- Dan & Melanie Stimpson

My years of acquaintance with Steve was professional. He was a consumate professional. His gentleness and kindness shown through always. His mastery of field was known and respected widely. I appreciated his insight and guidance generously given through the many years I was pleased to call him a colleague. While his loss to family and friends is the greatest, and for whom I have the greatest sympathy, his loss to the legal profession is profound.

- Richard Aaron

I knew Steve for virtually my entire career, and always held him in the highest regard. I've often said that if my life hinged on the advocacy of a single bankruptcy lawyer, I would want it to be Steve. He was smart, pragmatic, thoughtful, friendly and an all-around good guy. I wish we had crossed paths more often over the years after I left Utah.

- Ronald Goss

I was so saddened just now to learn of Steve’s passing! He is (I believe he still exists) an amazingly sensitive and thoughtful man. Accomplished, humble, supremely intelligent and knowledgeable, and a levelheaded and kind leader and mentor. He had a gift for thoughtfully listening, intentionally thinking and analyzing, and clearly articulating solutions to complex legal situations. His mind is razor sharp and his recall and understanding of facts and legal precedent are so impressive. It was such a privilege for me to practice law with him and to be his law partner. I learned a great many things from him. I pray for your peace and healing and comfort.

- Kevin Pinegar

I extend my heartfelt sympathy to the McCardell family. My association with Steve was only in a professional capacity in 1996. He was a delight to work with, even in the most challenging of circumstances. Steve is smart, insightful, pragmatic, and level-headed. Over my career, I have worked with scores of attorneys. Steve is one of the very best. I mourn with you and pray that your family will be blessed as you contemplate Steve's wonderful life and the joyful reunion that awaits you in a future day.

- Jordan Clements

Steve McCardell is one of the best human beings I know.

- Raymond Wixom

I just saw Denton's "In Memoriam" in the Utah Bar Journal. I have the privilege of working with Steve for 6 years as a young associate at LeBoeuf in Salt Lake. Steve was definitely one of my mentors in my professional career--he encouraged honesty and candor at all times, kindness, and skill in the practice of law. And made me realize that bankruptcy lawyers are some of the best out there. I always knew that if I had a question, he would stop what he was doing (no matter how busy he was), and focus on what I was saying. What a great man. I'm sad that his family doesn't get more time with him in this life, but I'm sure he'll be in a good place there waiting for them.

- Colin W. McMullin