About Thomas M. Kerr Jr.



Tom Kerr 1983 photo

Thomas M. Kerr, Jr.'s career spanned the military, government service, corporate law and decades of university teaching, 37 of which were at Carnegie Mellon University.

Kerr was a graduate of Lafayette College and received a law degree from George Washington University. He was well known for his contributions to the American Civil Liberties Union and civil rights efforts.

At CMU, Kerr taught antitrust law and business ethics in the Tepper School of Business. He also served as the university's pre-law adviser for more than two decades.

Kerr retired from CMU in 2001 at died in 2006. As a tribute to his remarkable career and longtime association with Carnegie Mellon, the university's pre-law society was renamed in his honor in 2009 and the annual Thomas M. Kerr Lecture on Law and American Society was launched.

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