

Richard D Sanborn Endowed Scholarship Fund

Richard D. Sanborn was a distinguished attorney, transportation executive, civic leader, and staunch supporter of America's free enterprise system. He was an active member of the Jacksonville University Board of Trustees. Following his death in 1989, Mr. Sanborn's friends established this scholarship to honor him and to perpetuate his memory. They continue to donate to this fund every year.

Born in New Hampshire, Mr. Sanborn always dreamed of working for a railroad. After graduating from Harvard Law, he wrote to the presidents of all the major railroads and in 1961, he became an attorney for the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad in Jacksonville. He spent most weekends riding the freight and passenger trains until he had covered every mile of the railroad's tracks. His firsthand knowledge of train operations served him well in later years as he worked his way up to the position of president and CEO of the Seaboard Coast Railroad in 1982. Under his leadership, many of the railroads were reorganized to form CSX Transportation. He was then made Chairman, President and CEO of Conrail.

