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Senator of the Civil Cassation Department of the Senate (1938–1940)

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Before the Senate: Served in the Latvian Army. Trainee in the Riga Regional Court; Magistrate in Latgale Regional Court. Chair of Daugavpils City Rental Board. Judge at Daugavpils Regional Court and the Court Chamber.

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There is an old saying that the past is the present and the future. [..]. Therefore, if we want to be successful fighters for the restoration of our nation's freedom (each according to their abilities), everyone must know the past of our nation, as well as, among other things, how the idea of our country's independence was born. So, there also applies the utterance by Italian scientist Beccaria: tantum possumus, quantum scimus (so much as we can, as far as we know).

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