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Law services to move during school renovation

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Daily Student Staff Writer

Beginning this fall, don't drop by Indiana Avenue to see your law school cohorts.

They won't be there — unless they're in the library. Go ahead and phone, though. Those communication lines won't change.

During the first weeks of August, all law school services except the library will be moved to other IU facilities. The temporary displacement will allow the total renovation of the Law Building's interior, said Maurice Holland, acting dean of the IU Law School.

"We plan to move back to the renovated, completed building after the summer session in the summer of '85," he added.

The law library will stay where it is for now. It will be moved into the new Law School addition in December, probably during Christmas break, Holland said.

Transferring an entire school isn't easy.

"It's like moving one's house. It's a lot of work and inconvenience, but we can cope with it.

We've had plenty of notice of when we were going to have to do this and an opportunity to plan," Holland said.

A move has been anticipated since the state legislature approved funding in late February for phase two of the school's construction/renovation project, Holland said.

Temporary quarters in Memorial Hall and the Student Building were selected in early April. Holland said the choice was easy because all classes and seminars can be in one building and most faculty and staff in another.

"We're very lucky that the University just happened to have that much available space on a temporary basis," Holland said. "Otherwise, we would have probably had to fragment the entire operation of the law school and have classes held in many different buildings scattered all over the campus."

Holland outlined the new law school locations:

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- Classrooms and seminar rooms in the Student Building.

- The office of Leonard Fromm, assistant dean for student affairs, and the Recorder's Office in the Student Building basement.

- Administrators, faculty and most staff offices, as well as the Center for Law and Sports, in Memorial Hall East and West, on the second and third floors and part of the fourth.

- Admissions and Placement Offices, along with rooms for interviewing by prospective employers of graduates, in the Law Annex at 618 E. Third St.

- The Indiana Law Journal office will remain in the Law Annex at 502 E. Fourth St. until after the Law Building is renovated. Then, Journal editors and staff will have in-house office space.

"That's one of the major improvements in the new facility," Holland said.

The Fourth Street annex may then be given up, he added, although the school hopes to retain use of the Third Street annex.

While the outside walls of the Law Building will remain un-

changed, the corridors, classrooms, secretarial space and faculty offices will be renovated, Holland said.

Hallways will retain their north-south orientation, but most classrooms will face east and west. Improvements are planned for classroom acoustics, seating, desks. Soundproofing and audio-visual equipment will be added, Holland said.

Faculty, administrative and student activities offices will be located at the current site of the library. The library will nearly fill the new building addition, leaving room for a few conference and seminar rooms, Holland said.

The employees of the IU Physical Plant, who will do the actual moving of law school belongings, have been considerate in working with the law school on making plans and arrangements for the move, Holland said.

Transfer of law school facilities has affected some but not all occupants of the Student Building and Memorial Hall.

The Honors Division will remain in Room 213 of the Student Building.