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Fall visit depends on confirmation

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William Rehnquist, the nominee to be Chief Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court might make his first public appearance as Chief Justice in Bloomington.

Rehnquist, 61, will be present at the Law Library's dedication, scheduled for Sept. 12., if his Senate confirmation hearings are

completed by then, said Bryant Garth, acting dean of the Law School.

"As I understand it, Justice Rehnquist will be here unless his confirmation hearings interfere with the scheduling of the ceremonies," Garth said.

President Reagan nominated Rehnquist for the position of Supreme Court Chief Justice to replace Chief Justice Warren Burger, who announced his retirement earlier this year.

Rehnquist came to Washington D.C. in 1969 to serve as an

assistant attorney general in charge of the Office of Legal Counsel, which gives legal advice to all branches of government.

He was named to the court two years later.

"If he is here, it should be his first public appearance as Chief Justice," Garth said.

"That should make it a very big and important occurrence for him and for the law school."

Rehnquist was invited to the ceremony by Craig Bradley, professor of law.

Bradley served as a clerk under

Rehnquist during the Supreme Court October term of 1975.

Bradley said he invited Rehnquist in spring before his nomination to the Chief Justice position.

The Supreme Court Justice is scheduled to arrive Thursday night before the Friday dedication and stay through Sunday.

"He expressed an interest in attending an IU football game while he is here," said Colleen Pauwels, law school librarian and member of the dedication planning committee.



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