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the naming of  
**baier hall**  
and the  
**jerome hall**  
**law library**  
may 8, 2015  
10:30 a.m.



**MAURER**  
SCHOOL OF LAW  
BLOOMINGTON



Today we honor **Lowell E. Baier** by naming the law school building Baier Hall, and the library is being named the Jerome Hall Law Library in honor of Baier's favorite professor and mentor.

Baier received his B.A. in economics and political science from Valparaiso University in 1961 and earned his law degree in 1964. After graduation, he practiced law in Washington, D.C., a city he'd grown to love when, in 1956, his congressman, Charles A. Halleck (R-2nd IN), LLB'24, called him to be a page boy in the U.S. House of Representatives. During his early years in the practice of law, he formed Baier Properties, Inc., a Bethesda, Maryland-based developer of warehouses, residential properties, office buildings, and shopping centers.

A lifelong conservationist, Baier has been active since 1975 in the Boone and Crockett Club, America's oldest wildlife conservation organization, founded by Theodore Roosevelt in 1887, and is its first president emeritus. A well-known advisor to elected officials and educators on environmental and conservation issues, Baier took the lead in drafting President George H. W. Bush's wildlife conservation agenda, and he has been an advisor to all successive presidential administrations. He is the author of the forthcoming book *Inside the Equal Access to Justice Act: Environmental Litigation and the Crippling Battle over America's Lands, Endangered Species, and Their Critical Habitat*. The law school presented him with its Distinguished Service Award in 2007, and in 2014 he was inducted into the Academy of Law Alumni Fellows, our highest honor.



**Jerome Hall** was a faculty member at the Indiana University Maurer School of Law from 1939 to 1970. A pioneer in the interdisciplinary analysis of legal problems, he gained worldwide recognition for his work in criminal law, comparative law, and jurisprudence. In 1957, Hall was awarded Indiana University's highest faculty rank, Distinguished Professor. In addition, he was the recipient of the Frederick Bachman Lieber Memorial Award for his many years of distinguished teaching.

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