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What a wonderful way to begin a career in legal education—having Burnett Harvey as my Dean!

When I went onto the teaching market in late 1967, I was blessed to have the guidance of two wonderful mentors, the late Herbert L. Packer and Indiana’s distinguished alumnus, J. Keith Mann. Herb and Keith helped me get interviews and then offered advice about how to proceed. When the field of available choices had narrowed, they both proffered the same advice: Go to Indiana. Keith Mann put it most memorably, telling me, “Indiana has always been a good law school, *but since they got Burnett Harvey . . .*”

Keith’s meaning was plain, and he was right. Burnett Harvey brought the Indiana University School of Law in Bloomington a new spirit of excitement, enthusiasm, and shared intellectual enterprise. Something good was going on here, and we were all in it together. The force of Burnett’s intellect plus the gentle way that he brought us newcomers along created an esprit de corps that saw us through difficult times as well as good ones. Burnett did not do well in the role of subordinate, but he was a fantastic person to work for. He got my career off to a good start, and I shall remain forever grateful to him for teaching me the values of the academy—intellectual integrity, hard work, and commitment to one’s students and to the life of the mind. Our Law School and the world of legal education lost a great man when we lost Burnett Harvey.

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