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**SCHOOL OF LAW**

Dean Leon H. Wallace  
 Indiana University School of Law  
 Bloomington, Indiana

Dear Dean Wallace:

I have had an idea in my mind recently which has been brought to a focus by some clippings just received from Indiana concerning the dedication of the new Law Building at the University. I am a grandson of the late D. D. Banta, whose picture has appeared in these clippings.

A thought in my mind has been that I should like to do something for the Law School which will perpetuate my grandfather's name and his connection with it. When Paul McNutt was Dean, he asked my father and my aunt who was Mrs. Charles H. Beeson for a portrait to be hung in the Law Library and I believe that is still there. I remember asking Bernie Gavit to let me know about its condition shortly before he died.

If you have any ideas that could be carried out with a modest contribution of about \$5,000, I would appreciate your letting me know about it. Perhaps something in the nature of a scholarship might be in order.

I note that Kurt Pantzer was given an honorary degree recently. Kurt and I were at Wabash at the same time and I have always thought very highly of him.

I hope I may have the opportunity of making your acquaintance soon. Karl Fischer is one of those who sent me a clipping and he says that he was a contemporary of yours at I. U.

Sincerely yours,

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Dean Leon H. Wallace  
Indiana University School of Law  
Bloomington, Indiana

Dear Dean Wallace:

I have your letter of November 6 and I thank you for it.

In accordance with my previous suggestion, I am enclosing a check from our Foundation to be known as "The David D. Banta Award" to take care of an annual scholarship in the Indiana University School of Law. We hope this will be helpful to your Program and a means of perpetuating the name of my grandfather, who played such a prominent part in the re-establishment of the school in 1889.

Sincerely yours,

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