June 20, 2018

Dear New Law Students:

On behalf of the Office of Student Affairs, welcome to Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law! You are joining a talented and diverse community, and we are excited that you have chosen IU McKinney School of Law for your legal education.

New Student Orientation for JD students begins on Friday, August 17, 2018 and ends on Saturday, August 18, 2018. Orientation will be held at the IU McKinney School of Law located in Inlow Hall at 530 West New York Street, Indianapolis, IN 46202. Participation in orientation is required for all new students. See the orientation website for a detailed overview of the New Student Orientation Schedule as well as other important information https://mckinneylaw.iu.edu/students/orientation. Check-in for Full-Time Day Division students begins at 8:30 a.m. on Friday, August 17, 2018 and check-in for Part-Time Evening Division students begins the same day at 3:30 p.m. Orientation, for both the day and evening divisions, will conclude on Saturday, August 18, 2018 with the Call to the Profession Ceremony, followed by a reception. The Call to the Profession is a traditional ceremony that includes you and your new colleagues taking an Oath of Professionalism. You may bring up to two guests to the Call to the Profession Ceremony and Welcome Reception. While business casual attire is appropriate for all sessions on Friday, students are asked to wear business attire for the Call to the Profession on Saturday.

On Saturday, August 18, 2018, we will host a special optional session called the Family and Friends of Law Students. During this session, family and friends will learn about the law school experience and student life. Faculty, staff, and students will also answer questions, and share information about various resources and support services available to students.

The Office of Student Affairs, Office of Recruitment and Student Bar Association are hosting the Third Annual Service Day. This event will be held on Thursday, August 16, 2018 from 10:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Participation in Service Day is a great way to meet some of your new classmates and professors in an informal setting while serving the community.

For your convenience, you may purchase books at the IUPUI Barnes & Noble Bookstore located at 420 University Boulevard, Suite 155, in the Campus Center. However, do not buy any textbooks until after you have been assigned to a section and received your class schedule.

We believe your participation in orientation and related activities at the start of the academic year will ease your transition into law school, and provide an opportunity for you to start cultivating relationships with your classmates, faculty, staff, and alumni. If you have any questions prior to orientation, please do not hesitate to contact me at jdpryor@iupui.edu. We look forward to meeting you.

Sincerely,

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