Patrick L. Baude  
*Ralph F. Fuchs Professor of Law and Public Service*

Pat Baude’s passion, intellectual rigor, and deep engagement in the world of ideas energize any conversation, no matter what the subject or forum. He is a font of encyclopedic knowledge on virtually any subject from the United States Supreme Court to European travel, from politics to fine wine, and his contributions are always marked by his thoughtful analysis, eloquence, and generous spirit.

The roots of Pat’s intellect and wide interests can be traced to his childhood in Kansas, where his mother was a professor of French literature and his father was a doctor. He received his undergraduate degree in economics and history and his law degree from the University of Kansas, where he graduated first in his class and was editor-in-chief of the *Kansas Law Review*. Following graduation, he joined Foley & Lardner in Milwaukee. After 18 months he accepted a graduate fellowship at Harvard Law School. Pat received an LL.M. in International Law and decided to enter teaching. In 1968 he joined the Indiana University faculty.

Pat’s approach to law transcends mere doctrine, blending history, philosophy, popular culture, and current events, challenging students to examine established institutions in light of new ideas. In his 40 years of teaching, Pat has taught Constitutional Law, Federal Jurisdiction, Remedies, Criminal Law and Procedure, Restitution, Professional Responsibility, and Civil Procedure. Students marvel at his mastery of the material, dynamic style, and quick wit. But perhaps it is his ability to inspire students that most distinguishes him. For Pat, teaching is about “a personal interaction rather than a transfer of information.” He prizes interaction that comes from “pushing our minds vigorously and intellectually, so that the students can learn to have fun with ideas.” Pat explains that “people need to understand that this material is about morality, about how we should live in society. It is more obvious in constitutional law, but it is true of any kind of law. It requires an examination of the moral dimension of our public life. If they can remember that, then what I’ve done has been worth it.”

The lesson is not lost on Pat’s students. One typical student wrote: “There are those who, like myself, count him as one of the finest teachers of their entire lives. He continually challenges the student to foster an appreciation for the law and the lawyer’s role in society.” Another observed: “His contribution to his students has been an extraordinary one because he has the exceptional ability to encourage the student to seek answers to some of the most philosophical and legally difficult questions anyone might face.” Not surprisingly, Pat has won awards for his teaching, including the university’s Ulysses G. Weatherly Distinguished Teaching Award in 1973, the law school’s Gavel Award in 1980, the Wallace Teaching Award in 1990, and the Trustees Teaching Award in 1997.

Additionally, Pat is an active scholar, contributing articles and book chapters on a wide range of topics. His recent book, *Judicial Jurisdiction: A Reference Guide to the United States Constitution*, examines the relationship between the power of constitutional review and the
rule of law in the United States. He has written numerous articles on the Indiana Constitution and many other subjects, including a monthly wine column in *Bloom* magazine.

Pat’s personal integrity and deep commitment to the highest standards of professionalism and ethics have made him a valued counselor and mentor to generations of students and colleagues, as well as practicing attorneys and government officials. The press seeks his perspective on controversial constitutional issues. Pat is in demand as a conference speaker, academic visitor, and advisor throughout Indiana, the United States, and the world, including such far-flung venues as Warsaw, Azerbaijan, Kazakhstan, and Champaign-Urbana.

In 1974 he successfully argued before the Seventh Circuit that federal prisoners are entitled to be given reasons when they are denied parole. In *Hess v. Indiana*, with colleague Tom Schornhorst, Pat persuaded the United States Supreme Court that an arrest for disorderly conduct during an antiwar demonstration in Bloomington violated the First Amendment. In 1991 Pat argued against the Supreme Court’s decision to review *Barnes v. Glen Theatres, Inc.*, on the basis that the unconstitutionality of a total ban on nude dancing had already been settled.

Pat has bridged the roles of teacher, scholar, and public servant in a way that represents the best that public law schools have to offer their citizens. Active in state, local, and university affairs, Pat is special deputy attorney general and of counsel to the state of Indiana. He has served as special counsel to the governor of Indiana, and as an advisor to the Indiana General Assembly. He was a long-standing member and president of the State Board of Law Examiners. He served as president of the Bloomington Chapter of the American Association of University Professors, and chair of the Board of Governors of the Institute for Advanced Study. For years he chaired the Board of Public Safety in Bloomington. He has participated on many university and law school committees, chairing most, and has been the advisor to the *Indiana Law Journal* for many years. He served on the University Faculty Council, as president pro tem and as parliamentarian, where we strongly suspect he never had to consult the rulebook.

Pat is a devoted husband and father. His wife, Julia Lamber, is a professor and associate dean for clinical education at the School of Law. Their son, William, who finished law school at Yale in 2007, clerks for Judge Michael W. McConnell, and next year will be clerking for Chief Justice of the United States John Roberts. Their younger son, Jonathan, is a junior at Washington University in St. Louis. Pat also has two daughters who live in Bloomington. Virginia, who has worked with the Monroe County school system, is the mother of Pat’s only grandchild, Eleanor. Leora, an IU graduate, is a free-lance writer and an editor for the Bloomington *Herald Times*.

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