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Berger Lecture to feature religion in schools debate

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Two Hoosier attorneys will be featured in a debate on "Religion and the Public Schools: a Debate" at 7 p.m. Thursday, February 26, in Mitchell Auditorium at the University of Southern Indiana.

The program will make up the 1998 Sydney Berger Lecture and will feature Patrick A. Shoulders of Evansville and John R. Price of Indianapolis. John Dobken, news anchor at Channel 44, will serve as moderator. A reception will follow the debate, which is free and open to the public.

The annual program honors an Evansville attorney who died in 1988 after many years representing labor and the NAACP, among many others in the city. He also had taught Constitutional law for nearly 20 years at USI and was the recipient of the Evansville Bar Association's James Bethel Gresham Freedom Award.

Shoulders is a member of the law firm of Ziemer, Stayman, Weitzel & Shoulders, which specializes in litigation, health, media, and education law. He is attorney for the Evansville-Vanderburgh School Corporation, a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers, past president of the Evansville Bar Association and recipient of its Freedom Award, and an active member at various levels of the bar association. His numerous community activities have included director of the Arts Fest River Run since 1987 and past president and director of the YMCA.

Price heads John R. Price and Associates in Indianapolis, specializing in corporate, banking, school, Constitutional, and administrative law. He is board chairman for Equal Justice Under the Law Institute, Inc., which successfully brought action in 1993 to allow prayer at high school commencements and is board chairman of Decency in Broadcasting, Inc., which obtained Federal Communications Commission fines against "The Bob and Tom Show" aired on WFBQ-95. Mr. Price is the author of *America at the Crossroads* and teaches business law at Indiana Wesleyan University.